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July 21<sup>st</sup> Paid  
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Miss Maria S. Deeter  
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Fort Gibson July 20<sup>th</sup> 1833.

To Miss M. S. Secatur

Dear Miss -

Your highly valued communication of the 28<sup>th</sup> Dec. came to hand on Friday last, after a passage of six weeks. I communicated its contents to both Arbuckle & Miss Young as you requested & be assured Miss that you have theirs as well as my own deepest sympathy for the loss you and your mother's family has sustained in the loss of the husband & father. Yet when we look into the unchangeable decrees of our God we need not be surprised at the event. because it is there stated "it is appointed unto man once to die" - and your father in an unexpected moment has been called to fulfill that decree. God has given & has taken away. Yet we all feel

In regard to the little memorial you  
wished sent, ~~to~~ I am sorry that John started  
before your letter arrived or I would <sup>have</sup> sent  
a spare remembrance with pleasure - yet I  
am <sup>happy</sup> to inform you that Mary Young sent  
in a letter by John a piece of his hair &  
I have no doubt that it will be a full com-  
pensation for what you requested -

Your letter to John I opened to  
see it might require any ~~circumstances~~  
something particular and as he had your  
full name I burnt it - Mr. Norrell joins  
me in wishing to be remembered particularly  
to your mother, self & family and with you  
all my happiness -

Your friend  
and brother

sent  
J Norrell

My dear creature

O.P. I wrote you Ma. by  
last mail -