Washington College VA:

15 March 1870

My dear Col:

Dr Pendleton & the Revd Mr Thompson dine with us today at 2 P. M. I shall be very glad if you will join us then.

But Mrs Johnston informed me yesterday that she thought of leaving us this afternoon. I hope that she was not in earnest, but if that is her intention & you desire to absent yourself from the Faculty meeting to facilitate her departure, you must do so -

Should I not see Mrs Johnston & Miss Maggie today as I hope, bid them farewell for me, & say to the latter that I & my <u>friends</u> will mourn for her until she returns - I wish that they would both come & stay with us instead of going to Roanoke - (page 2)

Very truly

R E Lee

Col: Wm Preston Johnston