Beavon, Harrison Co., Miss.

21st June 1861

Gus, Pendleton,

My very dear friend,

With this I send the two types, the return of which you requested in the words I have published and a copy of which I directed to be sent to you. There is an extract from your address. The report I have copied and though from want of room it was not put in the same form I have made of military events, it may serve in some other way to show what was done. The campaign you describe, though I am not in the main sound of hearing for the public, it is not probable that I shall be left to enjoy this report desirable to me on many accounts, the

Mr. James and Mr. Daniel have written in your report will be most useful to me if I have to answer criticism which may arise from your presage on the burning of Banks is kept for

[Signature]
time of need. It has been my purpose to treat with gentleness any conduct which I could not approve and necessarily regretted. I therefore it shall be from any cause meet in an unfriendly spirit, the fated ammunition which I did not use, and would prefer to leave in a store, reserved for another fire. It may not appear to others as it did to me, that I had any forbearance towards some who have been unjustly even malignantly. Towards me, I dislike controversy even with the Yankee and wish I could give praise only to every Confederate. I have not forgotten the unnaturally demands made upon me when in prison, suffering vicariously for my suffering as well as others of our people, but revenge is not mine, and I do not seek it.

You will find your report in some place, so faded that it is already nearly illegible. I was tempted to trace a word or two.
the future historian might by compar-
ison of conflicting statements, eliminate
the false and establish the true.

Mrs. Davis is always grateful for
your kind letters, and responded
cordially to your wish that we could
again pray together as on those memo-
rable nights in the summer days.

If we can make the needed arrange-
ments for the expense of the trip, Mrs.
Davis and I intend in the next month
to leave for Europe to bring our youngest
child home. The last just completed her
four years course in the School of Botany.

My wife joins me in expressing my
regards to Mrs. Pindleton and your self.

Ever truly your friend

Jefferson Davis