

Letter from Maria Perkins to Richard Perkins  
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Dear Husband I write you a letter to let you  
know of my distress my master has sold all out to a trade  
on Monday court day and myself and other child is for sale  
and I want you to let hear from you very soon before  
next court if you can I dont know when I dont want you to  
wait till christmas I want you to tell Dr Hamelton  
your master if either will buy me they can attend to it  
know and then I can go after wards I dont want a trade  
get me they asked me if I had got any person to buy me  
and I told them no they told me to the court house too they  
never put me up a man buy the name of brady bought the  
it and is gone I dont know where they say he lives in Scott  
sville my things is in several places some is in Stan  
ton and if I should be sold I dont know what will be  
come of them I dont expect to meet with the luck to get  
that way Tell I am quite heart sick nothing more I  
am and ever will be your kind wife Maria Perkins  
To Richard Perkins