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PERSONAL LETTER from J. de Parada in Spring Hill, Alabama,
to his friend, Alexander Declouet, Jr. at Brookland School in Greenwood
Depot, Virginia.

Spring Hill, July 6, 1857

F. B. FAVROT
COLLECTION

Very dear Alexander,

I am writing to you in haste to ask you for a little favor. One of my friends, a very nice young man, for some time has been ill and his doctor ordered for him baths in sulphurous water. As the best renowned are in Virginia, I will ask you to obtain some information from your friends and especially from a good doctor, about the Virginia establishment which has the strongest sulphurous baths and where it is located.

I shall ask you also to be kind enough to tell me what is the shortest itinerary this young man should follow to go to Virginia. Such is, my good friend, the favor I wanted to ask from you. This new friend joins me to thank you in advance. This will be an excellent occasion to send me your pretty landscape you had promised me, as he will go to see you on the way and will have the pleasure to make your amiable acquaintance. You will see that he is a perfect gentleman in every way.

Good bye, my beloved Alexander, I answered your last letter. I think that you are still in good health and Paul (your brother) also. Please, answer me as soon as possible, it will oblige a great deal some one who loves you with all his heart,

Yours faithfully,

J. de Parada

P. S. Kiss Paul for me.

Handwritten in French. In 1980 original owned by Mrs. Marty Sims of Nederland, Texas.

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LETTER from A. C. Tremoulet, in New Orleans, to Alexander
Declouet, Jr. at Brookland Academy in Greenwood Depot, Virginia.
New Orleans, July 6, 1857

B. FAVROT
COLLECTION

My dear Declouet,

I received this morning a letter from your father (Alexander
Declouet) who asked me to send you the sum of a hundred and fifty dollars.
Here enclosed, I am sending you a check of this amount on New York in your
name. You will be kind enough to notify me when it is received.

Here enclosed a letter from your family; friendly regards to your
brother Paul. Believe me your devoted friend,

A. C. Tremoulet

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