LETTER FROM VERONA.

The Messenger Appreciated, Verona and Her Schools, The-Crops in Lee County, Politics, Negroes for Greeley, &c... &c.

Editor Messenger:—Having a leisure hour this evening, your correspondent feels inclined to devote it to writing a letter for your columns. You know not what a welcome visitor this Messenger is to one among strangers. It is better than a letter from home—Paulding still seems like home. By the way, your admirable journal seems to improve every issue, in the perspicuity of its editorials, its spicy locals, its selections, and its general typographical appearance.

You may well congratulate yourself in being half proprietor as well as editor of a paper that has been so remarkably successful during its brief existence, and promises so well for the future. Nothing exercises a more potent influence upon the prosperity of a village than a well-conducted newspaper. The Messenger and the Paulding Institute will achieve reputation broader than the limits of Mississippi. Under the control of an educator so distinguished as Prof. P. E. Collins your Institute is destined to rank with the best in the State. The citizens of Paulding should deem themselves highly favored. May they show appreciation of the paper and the school by liberally supporting both.

In her poverty, the South must educate the rising generation. Schools and the press co-operate in the great work. If the Southern mind is duly cultivated, its superiority will be long asserted itself in the councils of the nation. Southern Statesmen will again shape the legislation of the country; and prosperity will smile upon us forever.

Verona is a station on the M. & O. R. R. It numbers from 1000 to 1200 inhabitants. It is in Lee, the Banner Democratic County of the State. It is noted as the most moral depot on the entire road. The citizens are Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, with a few Christians and Episcopalians. The Methodists and Baptists have houses of worship, regular preaching and flourishing Sunday schools. The educational advantages are unsurpassed. The Verona Female College, and the Verona College for young men and boys are both excellent institutions, and liberally patronized. So noted have they become, that students from a distance are passed over the M. &