

Durham Bobbin and Shuttle Co.,

Always give Postoffice and Shipping point.

Durham, N. C., Mch. 20th 1884

Dear Richard,

Your returned letter of 17th inst. just received and noted - Am glad to find you safely across the water. We are getting things in right good shape at the mill now have filled some orders for shuttles and have several other orders under way that will be shipped in a few days. We also have an order for Bobbins that will be completed and shipped in a few days. We have a good many other orders to fill. Can't get along better if we had a plenty of dry timber. The mill is not self sustaining yet - as we have had no returns from goods shipped yet. I hope the business will pay. But it requires a great deal of money to buy stock - Durham - I think is looking up some. The old Reams ware house has been rented by the Alliance and is being run very successfully. I haven't heard

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of any real estate changing hands since you left—
 so I can't say as to value of property &c. I notice
 a man on foot—to get a shoe factory here. the
 stock of which has about all been raised. I
 can give you more definite answer as to the
 shuttle mill in a few months. To go in the
 factory now it looks a little like business
 But I can't say just now how it will pay
 We get orders by nearly every mail—
 Eugene Morehead died in Savannah about
 two weeks ago. He was buried here. I guess
 the bank is all right—I hear it will be
 run as before. Nannie and May
 are getting on as well as could be expected
 Nannie will write and give you all
 the news with May ~~and~~ &c. We have
 written letters to all the Cotton Factories in the South
 and have had favorable replies from a great many of them.
 Let me hear from you as soon as this reaches you
 I will write you again. and I think more intelligently about
 the mill. Hoping you a safe and profitable trip I am yours
 L. D. Wright