

## Nathaniel Cheairs Letter

[Editor's Note: Letter Dated September 21, 1846 from NATHANIEL CHEAIRS (SR.) It is from Nathaniel Cheairs (Sr.) of Maury County, Tennessee and Marshall County, Miss. He was the husband of Sarah Rush Cheairs, and father of 11 children including Martin Terrell, John Wesley and Major Nathaniel F. Cheairs, C.S.A., all of Spring Hill, Tenn.

The letter was written from one of his plantations in Mississippi and addressed to "Son, Nathaniel" in Columbia, Tennessee.

According to the inscription on the back of this letter in the handwriting of his youngest son, Nathaniel, it is "the last letter my dear father ever wrote. He got hurt and died soon after writing this letter." Signed "N.F. Cheairs" (Jr.)]

September the 21 1846

Son Nathle This will inform you that imade [sic] the tript [sic] to Thomas in 11 Days nothing happened to hender [sic] us from traveling But hot weather we had to take time and travel sloe [sic] I soald [sic] and left at the farme [sic] one Load and expect to start one wagon in the morning to yeallow [sic] Bushey [Yalobusho] County and then whre [sic] I [sic] doant [sic] know

Thomas is not well enough to Leave home He has had a speal [sic] of the feavr [sic] and the Negroes is all at work But e [sic] sam [sic] and Heneary The worms has eaten and will eate [sic] all the Leaf of the Cotten [sic] the Late bales is Perishing away it is pumping Lake the [illegible] the Cropt [sic] will be short what scant say it may be 500 to the acer [sic] for what iknow [sic] the Cuntry [sic] is full of waggones [sic] I heare [sic] thir [sic] is 4 at Holly springs Before us

I have given you as mall [sic] sech [sic] of the times and prosPects [sic] so nothing moare [sic] at present But remaines [sic] your Loving Father untill [sic] deth [sic]

Nthle Cheairs

Envelope:

Larson Mis Oct 3

Sept 25

Mr [sic] N. f. Cheairs

Columbia

Tennessee

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He got hurt and died soon after writing this –  
N.F. Cheairs