them I was indeuced to have the bulk measured by a careful hand, I also staid by myself & found I had only 38 3/4 Bushels in the place of 50. Capt. Patterson came up here by land before his Vessel arrive & returned again to Oxford before her, nor was he on Board while here, neither the mate nor any of the hands came on shore after the delivery to get a receipt, which I promised Capt. Patterson to give them, had they done this I should upon seeing the bulk so small have refused untill I had seen it measured. I think it my duty to inform you of these circumstances that you may enquire whence this deficiency arises as there has certainly been a very grand mistake or some foul play on the occasion, being very clear a greater quantity than 38 3/4 Bus was never delivered to my people & if you thinke it necessary I will send you my own deposition and that of an indifferent persons respecting this matter.

I am Sirs

Your Most

Obedt. & Humble Servt.

Robt. Harrison