

Dear John I am greatly disappointed by the Steam boat this evening — I judge you \$175, to raise this money I have made my exertions and must hope it will not be in vain, should you be so fortunate as to prevail on Mr. Chambers to pay you any the smallest sum on my acc^t please to remit it to me by a check, because to raise the money for you I have sold the little wheat I made at Turners Creek, and which I designed allways to go in payment of rent.

When at Natchez be so good as to ask Messrs. Reid & Grayson whether they can get any thing on the account I forwarded them against Colonel Leffions —

On your arrival it appears to me you had better take up your lodgings at the Tavern, Mr. Chambers is 12 miles off, you can accept any hospitality he may be able to give, but if you are not his guest, I would not be empowered to act more decisively; I mention this for your information. Whatever power may be given to me by James Seligman in the deed executed by him to ~~other and Henry~~ Henry, you and myself for his negroes in Natchez, I hereby transfer to you, and authorize you to act for me in the same manner as if I were personally present.

I enclose you introductory letters to Mr. Kennedy of New Orleans, and to Doctor Pugh of La'fourche, the latter I fear you will not see, but both are requested to communicate with you in the most unreserved manner, on my business —

If any thing should occur to stop you an hour at St. Francisville do call on Mr. John H. Ellis (merchant) with my best respects — He hires out for me, and super man, and is among the most punctual, correct, and friendly men I ever had transactions with — Wishing you a successful, pleasant