

St Michaels February 20th 1844

Mr. Silghman

Sir Mr. James Jefferson informs me that he is owing you \$9 and I am owing him that amount my account against you is \$15 for repairs on wheat fan if you will accept this as an order on James Jefferson for the amount of \$9 and send me the ballance you will oblige me verry much as I am in great need of money you will please send me a receipt for Mr. Jefferson and I will send you a receipt in full please write by the first mail

Yours

William Cole

To Mr. John Silghman

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