Savannah Apr. 22d 1837

Rev. Ira Ward Easton
Hone Agent &c
Baltimore.

Dear Sir,

By the Brig Gen. McIntosh I have shipped you 2 Bbls Cotton Seed: of which one is Sea Island & is marked "Black Seed" & the other Petit Gulph & marked "Green Seed". Much care was taken in sending the seed from the Plantation to Town, that the different kind should not be mixed - but from some unaccountable stupidity, the person who was employed to fill & cooper the Barrels, filled the Barrel marked "Green Seed" partly with the Sea Island & partly with the Petit Gulph seed. This circumstance was not known to me till the vessel by which the seed is shipped had left the wharf & it was then too late to rectify the mistake. The appearance of the seed is however so entirely different, that it may with much ease be separated. I would not only recommend great care in this point, but also that they should not be cultivated within 2 to 300 yards of each other. The success of your experiment, in the introduction of the Sea Island Cotton, depends in a great measure on the care bestowed in its cultivation; with the minutiae of which I doubt not you have obtained the necessary information. Respectfully &c. N. D. Bayard

P.S. Tobacco No. 1 April 22nd

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