

Samuel Meeker to Andrew Jackson, May 10, 1805, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

SAMUEL MEEKER TO JACKSON.

Philadelphia, May 10, 1805.

Sir, I wrote you on 22d October and 25 Decemr. giving you my opinion as to the article of Cotton, and wishing a preferance of yours, which I verry much regret to learn, you have sold at home this season; I am informed it is up in Orleans to 19 and 21 Cents, lb.—wch. Is exactly what I expected. Mr. William P Meeker, advised me some time before he left your country that you contemplated me a remittance from the product of your cotton, wch. would be in bills on Waddington and Harwood. But I am sorry to say as yet I am deprived of any such remittance, which appears the more extraordinary, as I understand one of my neighbors has receved his remittance from you. I think it proper to state this to you as possibly the remittance intended for me has miscarried. Mr. Watson your former partner is now here, but I have not applied to him for the payment, as I think you stated to me that you was to discharge the claims of Jackson and Watson.

I should have been glad to have recved a share of your orders this season, having made a large importation, well assorted and suited much to your trade. The article of Cotton keeps up here, 24 and 25 Cents. I think McClure and Elder of your country will nett 19 Cents for their's after all Charges are paid. I think the high price this year will encourage the planters, and render the trade of your country better

Sir Your obedt. Servant

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P. S, there are two [*mut.*] Mails from Nashville now [*mutilated*] I have applyd to Mr. John Jackson for a part of your order which he has thought proper not to hand over, unless for a few peices of linens.