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## J. E. Davis to Messrs, Gunnison, Chapman and Co., Greenville, Mississippi, 5 August

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American Aug 1 1867

Dear Sir:

I have your favors of 29 & 30th ult. We still have some cases of Cholera, & 2 strangers died since I last wrote. One from Cholera and the other from other cause.

In regard to the case I think the Carthage or Louis acct must have been made by Dr Anderson, who while practicing here occasionally procured medicines there, <sup>(at Carthage)</sup> which was procured charged to your acct.

As to the account for Em stands, I can only say that you bought 2 stub brush stands in 1861 manufactured by Elliott, of Aberdeen Miss. You only had the one of them one season and the cotton was burned during the war, so you were of course never benefitted by them. They are complicated and gave you considerable trouble, so I intend to ~~cancel~~ <sup>despise</sup> with the one of them this season by putting two ones in their place if the quantity of cotton justifies me in so doing. While the gin was in possession of the Government Agents the two Eagle stands were decidedly preferable to those referred to, <sup>besides</sup> the great trouble they gave the

plan tender - for want of brush motion, they failed  
to equal the other stands in cleaning the lint off  
of the seed if the cotton was the least damp;  
last season very much cotton not perfectly dry had  
to be ginned.

If they cover the stands, you are charged for, you  
are the best judge as to the course necessary to  
pursue in the matter.

Yours very obedient  
servant

Wm Jos E. Davis  
Vicksburg Miss.

P.S.

I return the Gin Bill.

The truth is the stands referred to would have  
been removed from their places before this  
had the plan been in possession of any prominent  
Party. The Government agents often spoke of it  
but each Party only holding the plan one season  
caused them to make out otherwise.