

Office Capt. Ins. Affairs  
Fort Smith Ark May 28 1854.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from your office of the 11<sup>th</sup> April, regarding me to cause to be submitted for each year after their arrival west, all the domestic negroes to your Florida, and to cause that office to be informed immediately after their arrival of that fact, of their number, and amount of funds required to be made to me for the purpose of their subsistence.

In compliance with your further order in said letter I caused an advertisement to appear in this morning's papers inviting bids for such subsistence.

Enclosed is a copy of the printed advertisement No. 1, and also the list of the number of slaves already arrived - being a copy of the list kept at the office by Capt. John Gibson & Co.

No additional amount of funds are now sent for their subsistence.

Very respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

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