New Orleans 2 October 1836

Mr Samuel Ellis
New York Dr Sir

We are in possession of your favors 3.11 & 15 ultimo — We are under obligations for your Exertions to raise money for acct of the Govt of Texas & prevent the Brutes from by libelled &c — We cannot account for Capt Hands proceeding to New York not Capt J Brown — The latter was to have remained at the Bridge for our instructions which we sent down in the fast Steam Boat by Pilot Fisher of the Liberty, requesting him to immediately return in the Steam Boat relief a new Crew, take in a Supply of provisions Return to Velasco — As they are there we must do the best we can — But we are without Government funds & our Disbursements for some time past has been supplied from our own mass resources — We have written to Mr S. M. Williams to make such arrangements to get the Vessels off as early as possible — He is supplied with a large amount of Scrip & from the Sales of this is the only way we can Dear raise Money — We feel Confident he will be able to do all that is necessary & write him by this mail — Yours Respectfully

Your obedt Servt

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