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My Dear Sir

Will you excuse me for presuming on your kindness to ask your attention to a matter in which I feel a deep interest

When Genl James Hamilton was the commercial agent of Texas in Europe, he was also the agent of the James River and Kanawha company of Virginia

As a agent of the company he borrowed money for the company on securities then in his hands. While this money was in his hands a draft of the Minister of Texas in London was presented to the General for payment, with an urgent request not to fail in the payment Genl Hamilton was under the impression he had negotiated a loan from La Fitte & could immediately replace the money. Under this he used the money of the J R & K Coy to pay the draft of the Texian Minister

The above is the substance of Genl Hamiltons statement to the company and it is corroborated by Mr Brumley who I think left Europe a few days before Hamilton used the money

The company is now much embarrassed in its affairs and its credit was seriously