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May 7th. 1864.

Mess. R. H. Woodward Company,

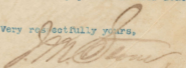
Baltimore, Md.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th. instant, informing me of your contemplated purpose to publish a "History of the Southern States", asking if I think there is a demand for such a work, and whether I think this book, properly made in all its parts, could be introduced in the Public Schools in this state. Also, whether it would be wise to make a special edition for each state, and if so to suggest some one for the work.

In the first place I do not believe the demand for such a work is sufficient in this state to justify any encouragement for its publication. 2nd. I do not believe it could be successfully introduced in the public schools, for the reason that a School History of Mississippi has recently been introduced into the public schools, and 3rd. A company in Chicago is preparing a history which will be offered, and while it is not along the same lines you propose, it will be attractive and will interfere with your scheme. These are my views, and as I cannot offer you more encouragement, I will not undertake to name any person in this state to aid you in the work.

Very respectfully yours,


Governor of Mississippi.