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July 29, 1898.

Mr. James M. Brickley,

Memphis, Tenn.

My Dear Sir:-

Your letter of the 19th. instant came during my absence in attending the Confederate Veterans' Reunion at Atlanta, and since my return I have been so constantly engaged that I have almost necessarily delayed acknowledging its receipt.

While I am in full sympathy with the movement for the 54 by 24. I am in doubt as to the wisdom of my writing anything on the subject for publication. I am a stock holder and director in the Cotton Compress Company here, and while I conscientiously believe that the action of the 54 by 24. will be in the interest of the planter, farmer factor, and every one else interested in cotton, I fear that any public action I might take in the matter would be charged to my individual interests in compressing cotton. It would be unpleasant to me to be discussed in this connection, and for these reasons I think it best that I do not comply with your request.

Sincerely your friend,