

Dear Sir

Westchester 10 June  
1857

We wrote you, some time ago, informing you of the completion of the business with Mr George Shipton, ~~and~~ and Mr W Alkin, relative to the Roe Meadows at Shipton, & requesting to be furnished with instructions as to the mode you wished us to adopt for remitting the proceeds from that property, but we have not yet been favored with any reply; please to write us without delay.

The Alkin family are become very impatient about the fund set apart for Mr John Alkin; & on the supposition that he is dead, are desirous to have the money distributed amongst his

relations; Mr Wm Elkin is  
also wishing that this be done,  
but, as the fund is invested  
in Government Stock, <sup>we</sup> <sup>his</sup>  
name, & yours, <sup>it cannot</sup> be dealt with  
of attorney, properly executed by  
him, & you.

Perhaps you will favor  
us with a letter immediately  
about both these matters, as  
we cannot move, in either of  
them, until we receive your  
instructions.

Hoping you remain well as  
when you last wrote us

We remain Dear Sir,

Yours truly,  
Rensselaer Hooper

Mr Joseph Howard

Bunker Hill

Macoupin County

South Illinois

North America

PS You will be sorry to hear that  
Mr Bidson continues in a very poor  
state, both mentally & bodily.



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