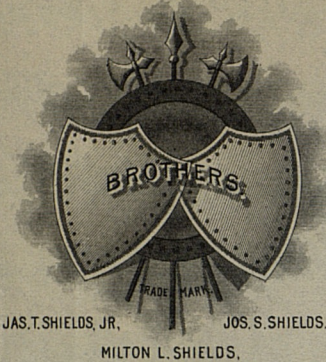


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Mr. C. H. Berryman,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

Yours 1st inst. at hand. Please accept my sincere thanks for your kindness in this matter, as well as for your attentions while in Lexington. Enclosed find my check for \$400.00, which please deliver to Major H. C. McDowell; but before doing so, have a distinct understanding with him that he guarantees the horse to be sound in every respect. I am no judge of horses, and would have employed an expert to examine anything I should have bought from any of the dealers about town, but I understood both the Major and his son to say this horse was perfectly sound in every respect, and made my offer under this impression. State these facts to him, and if he says such is his condition, hand him my check, I will not want any further reports on him. Of course, if he is not sound, I don't want him at any price, and you can return the check to me. If everything is all O.K., ask them to hold him subject to my order for a few days. My brother may buy a horse, and if so we will send a man over to come with them. The horse men here tell me that it is a very bad plan to ship horses alone, as they are often very much neglected on the road. I will also request that they have him driven through the city some, as he will become accustomed to cars, etc. much quicker there than he would over here where everything will be new and strange to him. I may come over myself next week; though I am afraid I will hardly have an opportunity. When I get your report on the Gray I will write you in regard to him. I cannot give you a limit on him until I see my brother, who is out of town this week. I will certainly be glad to hear from you that everything is all right with the McDowell horse, for he suits me exactly, and is just what I want. I would rather have him for my use than anything I saw in Kentucky.

Again thanking you for your kindness, and attentions in this matter, I remain,

Yours very truly,

P.S. Please mail me his pedigree.