

Return to

*Wm Gibson*

HOUMA, Terrebonne Co., La.,  
If not delivered within 10 days.



*Col Wm Gibson*  
*Lexington*  
*Kentucky*

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Barrely July 28. 1881

Uncle Tobias,

Your letter again has & suppressed my indignation & feeling of resentment on account of the relationship existing between us, when you have endeavored to ruin my character in the eye of the world as well as my family's by concealing infernal lies & publishing truths so as to make them appear worse than lies - Your last effort is a little more than I can stand.

You certainly at the time failed to remember what your past career has been & that I am aware of all of your villainous immorality & unpardonable hypocrisy you have practiced for years, not to mention other things equally as vile. You have denounced each and every one of us behind our backs, and said things unbefitting even a decent man. You have united with certain other members of the family in consoling the idea of depriving us out of the rights we have in the Gibbon estate and have expressed yourself in public

as thinking we have no right even  
on the property at all. If I so  
desire, I could fill pages enumerating  
falsehood I have heard coming  
from you, and in spite of all this, I  
have said nothing - I have looked  
on & made excuses for everything  
& tried to avoid any unpleasantness  
with my master, but there is a limit  
to all things, endurance of this kind  
longer has ceased. Obe a virtue -  
I am under no obligations to any  
of you living or that has ever  
lived, to the contrary, I have sac-  
rificed everything for them & now  
do not intend being treated in the  
future as I have been in the  
past - I mean every word I say,  
and you can take it just as you  
see fit - I have proof for all I  
say about you - You may go on  
as you have lately, but I will  
make you regret it.

You mistake me  
entirely if you dream for one moment  
that I will submit to you insulting  
& villainous treatment behind my  
back - I was raised a gentleman  
& to consider my reputation & honor

as something sacred and I defy  
you or any one else to touch it!  
You may think this is said in a  
passion, but remember, I have  
Humphreys blood in me and will  
as Gibbon & when we are free  
disposed to test it don't hesitate  
(Signed) Jos. A. Humphreys

I got this letter on my return  
from New Orleans.

I have written  
to sister enclosing a copy of it to  
her and asking that all relations  
between us be severed. I could  
not do less.

Yours affectionate brother  
Thomas Gibbon

Please return the letter from sister  
to Evg. I want to keep it.