

Lanville Jan 19. 1836

Dear Sir

I have this morning yours of 15th.	
Dr. please get 300 lbs. haffey 100 yds. ea.	53100 yds
Each get 20. 100.	2120.
14 cabs. exp. 2837 * + very cheap	
as before said.	

On Saturday last I paid a Northern Bond for you half five hundred dollars of which I advised you. At the time I shipped the lot for Gordon but haffey was worth 10¢ and had rope 4 1/2¢ & 4 1/2¢.

Please note me your real opinion of haffey & rope. What number will give the hump &c. The hump and on the stick is no doubt long beyond any former year. What lay and what the former loom will make this year will cost 2 million of bales of cotton, instead of what the hand loom will make.

I think the former loom men here will be perfectly satisfied to quit.

(Make an order) to Mr. Duncan & family

Yr very truly  
W. H. Pope



H. J. Duncan Esq

Lexington Ky

Mail



Louisville Aug 18. 1836.

Dear Duncan

I have made out the  
shipment as ordered by you & have now  
a hand 7  $\frac{1}{2}$  or 22 cals of H. T. D.

30  $\frac{1}{2}$  — W. C. Young.

The news low & falling with little pros-  
pect of getting off any more except  
at a high rate.

On 3 Sept I lost my little daughter  
Mary 8 years old. She died in 48 hours  
after the attack, of Congestion of the brain.

You who have had an interesting case  
when nearly approaching melancholy could  
afford to see her. We are in deep affec-  
tion and I can by no means religiously  
philosophy reconcile myself to the loss.  
You seem to be remembered kindly to  
my Dear.

Yr very truly  
W. H. Pope

H. J. Duncan Esq  
Lexington Ky





Lowell 24 December 1866.

Dear Susan

I have yours of 21<sup>st</sup> at this  
morning. I had you enclosed my draft on  
you & to me for five hundred dollars from  
dollar which came & return to me some  
money. I do not know that I shall be  
able to see it so as to get the money but  
may pay it off in some transaction or  
other. Our Banks are doing very little & if  
I ask them for no more favor, I must  
rely wholly on individuals. At the end  
of the year I shall not at all account  
complete bringing in which way do you  
by best hope now

Yrs truly  
W. A. Paper

DEC 25 1866

H. J. Duncan Esq

Lowell

Ms



H. J. Duncan Esq

Chapington

W. Va



Mail

Dear Sir,

Louisa Sept 24. 1897

I have your of 21st. your bill of 1500\$ with due honor. The book that treat are your keeping & rope behind back. I had then receipt on way ticket for the same with the point of delivery. all way delivered properly except one parcel. They got the idea of losing to sent down & have every thing put straight. I could not through the mail get letter to both two of the points. I will make it right a home damage - I will no doubt be able to sell your keeping as desired. A friend resident in Alabama will take it at 4 ms equal to Cash & will ship me cotton to pay the bill. If you will sell in that way at 14¢ it will be very safe & you can draw on me at 4 ms for same. We are all well.

Yours truly  
W. H. Paper



Louisville Oct 28 1839

Check for 169  $\frac{54}{100}$  Dollars

One day after Sept please pay to  
the order of Geo M Sutton Esq One hundred  
Sixty nine  $\frac{54}{100}$  Dollars value rec<sup>d</sup> & charged same  
to acct

Yr Obedt Servt  
Rope Davis Jr

A J Duncan Esq  
Lexington Ky



Dear Mother

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*[Faint decorative flourish]*



Louisville Aug 28 1841

H. S. Duncan Esq  
Lexington

De Sir be rec<sup>d</sup> this morning  
by the Postman the package containing  
Seven hundred dollars in Illinois money.  
which according to your direction we sold  
& deposited the proceeds at the Wm. Bank & Credit  
of the Mother Bank for your benefit say six  
hundred twenty six (626) dollars. We got  
the money off at 3% discount for 400 the 14%  
for 300 dollars the discount amt<sup>e</sup> to 24 dollars.  
which was the best we could do. This kind  
of money is very abundant & has set  
at 5% discount. 184 ropes are very  
flat. we hear of no sales.

Very respy<sup>ly</sup> friend & etc  
Wm. H. Raper

Memo  
a.c.

duch

700  
24  
676 dollars dep<sup>d</sup> in Wm. H. Raper

*[Handwritten flourish]*

H. S. Duncan Esq

Lexington Ky





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SEP 12 1842

W. J. Duncan Esq  
Lexington Ky

Louisville 12 Sept 1842  
W. J. Duncan Esq  
Lexington

Dear Sir your favor of Sept  
8th came duly to hand with order for  
1 lb of jeans, which we presented to Messrs  
Chenoweth immediately. They inform us  
that the same are disposed of & that they  
will in a few days write you & send you  
sales to. Stating also that they were much  
injured to.

Our Mr Pope is now absent but will return  
in a few days. We have no Sugar or Coffee  
on hand. but will purchase what you  
direct & send you

in haste

Wm Pope Esq



Office Martin Baul 14

Paris 26<sup>th</sup> Dec 1842

M<sup>r</sup> J. Duncan Esq<sup>r</sup>  
Dear Sir

I have made the calculation upon your note to Bank of London and the result is that is worth on Friday next £815- For which amount you can send your note & the discount, £16.84- or you can send a negotiable note payable 4 months hence from the 30<sup>th</sup> but for £832.19 which will include the discount for the four months

Very Respectfully  
The Martin Bank

M<sup>r</sup> J. Duncan Esq<sup>r</sup>

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Louisville April 20 1843

M. J. Duncan Esq

Dear Sir

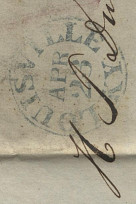
Your letter to Mr Poppley this morning in his absence at his father in the country, his father is very sick & his son has been attending him for several days.

I enquired immediately respecting the boxes of Cyprus. I find they were sent by land Moffatt & Co to Lexington on the 18 inst & by this time no doubt you have rec<sup>d</sup> them.

Some orders coming in for Bt w<sup>o</sup> I do hope to be able to fill a good many this summer. For our old planters customers. But business prospects in this city are gloomy enough.

Yours very dear Sir  
Very truly  
Wm O Davis

M. J. Duncan Esq  
Lexington Ky





H. J. Duncan Esq Louisville Oct 10. 1843.

Dear Sir I have your favor of 3 & 4 Oct. the hour for Dr Duncan was taken on board of the steam boat Express made by him, in which boat he took his paper at Ananias.

I wish you would see your influence in procuring me components of paper & paper. I have got to go to work here again & shall need all the aid of my friends. Would not friend Gentry send me paper & paper for sale? I would rather sell for cash and remit to you or collect a few cents on time and the paper send for sale. I am as honest as I ever was and lack nothing but money.

The paper I have been tempted will make me more prudent. Make my respects to Mrs Duncan & believe me.

Yrs truly

W. H. Paper

H. J. Duncan Esq  
Lexington Ky

W. H. Paper





*Handwritten initials*

H. J. Duncan Esq

Lexington Ky

*Handwritten initials*



Lewistown 22 July 1844

H. J. Duncan Esq  
Lexington Ky

Dear Sir. During late week long sale we were  
of buying & sale in the market - 12 & 1/4 - 54  
cash. Most of the purchases were made by our  
partner from Newbury Esq who took them  
down with him. There is now very little on sale  
in this market as most of the money held at  
of market waiting for a rise. Some houses  
offer their stocks for sale at 13 & 1/2 - 14  
without any purchase. I fear the advance has  
been made too early and without any joint  
ground although they are low & I look to the  
present year as fraught with great peril to  
the manufacturer who has to purchase his  
hemp and hire his hands. The loss  
growing out of the present and terminating in  
the next year will be immense. For supplying  
the cost of hemp to be sufficient the price  
cannot be forced up except by the large  
expansion on the part of the Banks & other  
the help which at any rate have to feel their  
mark on the manufacturing.

Any of your manufactures you can you  
know send to me for sale here or if you  
desire it to be shipped below should prefer  
here not sent you. The quantity of hemp  
has been over from last year together with the  
manufacture of Ky & also for the present year  
is estimated at seven million of yards.

Yrs very truly  
W. St. Pierre



Louisville April 23. 1845

Dear Duncan

I have your favor of 21<sup>st</sup> April  
on day before yesterday I sold your bagging &  
rope on hand at 104 & 44 Cash or bills  
adding interest at the option of the purchaser  
This market was much excited but has now  
subsided somewhat. I hope it may go up  
as you seem to expect, but the whole matter  
is speculation & I have no faith.

The bagging from Read & Co was 6 per of 100 yds each  
& the rope 7 each 102 1/2 quality of both good.

I write to Stuart by this mail & hope he  
will be able to serve you in the matter of  
discounting the note of the city.

I have not yet delivered the bagging & rope  
sold. The price is so low it is impossible  
to ship what will check prices.

Yrs very truly

W. St. Pope



H. J. Duncan Esq  
Lexington  
Ky



H. J. Duncan Esq

Lexington

Ms

Lowville. 14 June 1844

Dear Duncan I have your of 10th and  
have placed your pretty Helen Carter in a  
very large & fine stall when she will  
be well taken care of. I shall not  
be able to ship her until next week  
when she shall be sent as directed.

My youngest child is quite unwell  
but will I hope be better in a few days.

Being sick this week at 11/4 to  
refer at 4/2.

Am you in regard to the Duncan

Yrs very truly  
W. H. Pope



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H. J. Duncan Esq  
LOUISIANA  
JUL 22 1844

Lexington  
Ky

Louisville July 22. 1844.

Dear Sir - I have yours of 19th. Mr Kennedy  
was not by any means carrying the idea that  
there was any difficulty between you & me but  
seems to wish to carry the idea that you  
were carrying to his name alleging that  
he did not purchase or deal in haffey  
on its own account. Indeed he was so very  
that in order to get him to take the haffey  
shot to send it to his store & pay the  
money. The idea was that he would  
not touch it upon the hump amongst  
of a neighbor. It was a few days  
weekend in him.

I have to say also 43 lb of your  
haffey at 12 1/2 & pay all 1 say next.  
The purchase is full rate & gives a bill  
on New Orleans. It is all done by letter  
& I shall have the bill next week.

I hope to see you here soon. My family  
are well & yours in regard to Mr Dub  
son. I am glad that you have  
returned home.

Yours truly  
W. H. Paper



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H. J. Duncan Esq

Lexington

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LOUISIANA  
AUG 9

Louisville Aug 8. 1844.

H. J. Duncan Esq  
Dunbar

I have sold also the paper on hand, some on time at 12 1/2 - & the other Cash at 11 1/2 %. I have this day deposited in the Branch of Southern Bank of Ky to the credit of Southern Bank of Ky Lexington Eleven hundred dollars for your benefit of which I possess the title acting Cash will advise.

The paper for what is sold on time I have not yet received in full. Will send it to you on time on Cash to her for you unless you choose to take the discount yourself.

I wish you would send yourself somewhat to obtain for me some prints of good ability for your good use. Make no reply to this Dunbar.

Yrs very truly

W. St. Pape

The whigs here have beaten the democrats in the fall and on the fall. Such whacking I never saw. Old Thresh had a full hand. Both parties disappointed in the result here.



Lanselle Dec 5. 1849.

Dear Duncan

Your favor of 26 Oct I put off  
away from day to day in hope of seeing you  
here according to that letter. I have now given  
over the hope of seeing you this year. I  
have not idea of your leaving but we  
do it at & send only. I have expected  
to visit of Arthur Paul of Ky for your benefit  
give him and allow an account only  
and a mile in one time expect to return  
of only. I have not thought proper to give  
you any trouble with the paper read for  
only as I wish you to be clear of any  
risk. The elections have not terminated.  
as you expected though the Clay got more  
votes than I had expected. The Clay may  
too much like a rose-horn called "Buck Elk"  
upon which I have in my younger days stated  
many a dollar & lost the way the best  
horse that ever ran by way always beaten.

The Polk goes into office untrammelled  
and will I hope make a good President  
for of our party. My Paper joins with me  
in regards to the Union & your family.

Yr very truly  
W. St. Papa

W. St. Papa  
Lexington Ky





Louisville May 17. 1845.

Dear Duncan

Your favor of 26 April was duly received. The sale of your hogs was made at 6m adding interest on Cash at the option of the purchaser. I now have you beneath note of J. R. Buchanan of \$1 April two date to my order and draw to you for eleven hundred & for 6m they are dollar each being twenty one hundred dollars.

I am entirely out of hogs & rope & hope you will send me another lot, with which I will do as you wish. Sales are hard to be made at any advance & unless the present hemp crop should be a failure prices will not rise.

Sales are made on time to the south at 107-114 & for rope 47-54.

Yours very truly  
W. St. Roper

H. T. Duncan Esq  
Lexington Ky





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H. J. Duncan Esq

Lexington

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H. J. Duncan Esq  
Lexington Ky

mail

Lancaster 9 April 1846

Dear Sir  
I recd yesterday yours of  
6th and was so busy all day in the  
chancey court arranging some business  
of my father's estate that I omitted to reply  
by last night's mail - I will take upon  
me the blame for yours and for the  
Messrs Hunt and for any other that  
you can get. It will pay me something

No chance of getting off the ferry Saturday  
though I could make application to any  
boat. All are under the same to be  
kindly remembered to Mr. & family

Yours very truly  
W. H. Pipe



LOUISVILLE, 25 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1847



RECEIVED of WM. H. POPE & CO., in good order,  
the following articles, viz:

H. T. Dunning	3	One. Lot Sugar	242
Hennington	3	One. Bag Coffee	155
Ky	3		
			397

12 - Dec. 1 - 1847

WHICH I ENGAGE TO DELIVER to *William T. Imbert*  
*Hennington Ky* in same good order, and without delay,  
paying carriage at the rate of *fifty cents* per 100 lbs.  
(SIGNED DUPLICATES.)



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Sales of Bagging Paper & hampers of  
of H. S. Alderman by W. H. Paper.

1850					
Apr 25	C. S. Mump	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> by	529 33	132 4	\$71 42
June 30	Geo Forman	96 do.	12368	122	1296
July 20	C. S. Mump	7 do.	734	13 7	95 42
Aug 27	C. S. Mump	6 do.	648	12 2	81
"	R. B. Kendall	do 200 do	21600	12 7	2592
31	Sunday	19 hamp.	269 R c 89		21 52
Sept 24	H. Stater	do	167 bag 18036 385	12	2164 32
"	W. H. Henry	50 Paper	5190 R	5 3/4	298 42
"	Chapin & Co.	25 bagging	2700 g	12 7	324
		50 Paper	5260	5 3/4	302 45
Nov 10	Sunday	37 hamp.	658 R	8 7	51 04
					\$7297 59

Champs

June	paid for an bagging paper	\$104.74		
July	paid as bagging paper liability	120.18		
Aug	paid for bagging paper champs	34.57		
	paid wages of labor	4.50		
Dec 31	Comm Prof an	7297.59	\$354.87	618 86
	Note paid in of			\$667 87 3
	December 31 1850			

W. H. Paper







POST OFFICE  
15  
1850



A. J. Duncan Esq  
Lexington  
Ky



Louisville 14 June 1859

Dear Duncan

I recd your letter with  
check for \$800 which I passed to the  
Northern Bank. I have been promised  
a receipt from you yesterday.

Please send such a receipt as you  
want signed & I will pay over the  
amount to Mr. Thomas on his receipt  
as requested. All the best.  
We all give our regards to Mr. Duncan  
& the family.

Yours truly  
W. H. Paper