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Col Roberson Tappan

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 2^d inst is this morning to hand, Our Mr Nicol is absent, in Cuba, and seeing it would not do to delay I have written at once to Mr Daniel Mixer of Charleston, a most excellent man ^{one who} we consider perfectly responsible, it is this Gent^l with whom I have conversed in regard to the subject of your letter, we have advised Mr Mixer to go to Memphis at once and if he should wish to take the house I presume he will ^{have} no difficulty in lifting all the judgments, and I presume could do it with his own name & without using much of ready cash. Mr Mixer is a man who will give tone & Character to the House he keeps and we sincerely hope if Mr Cochrill retires that Mr M^r may get it. we do not think a man more suited to your interests could be found in the Country -

Mr Ayres, Our Lawyers, in your City
have all the particulars of the goods
we sold Mr Coakrell, & doubtless he had
no plated goods, except from us - & those
advertised to be sold are doubtless under
our judgment. He will refer
you to Mr Ayres for these particulars,
as he has Copies of our invoices to
Mr C.

Mr Nicol is not far from N. Orleans
now, though he may not go to Mem-
phis - he has been absent since
Decr 1.st last, & since his departure
one of his children have died and I
fear this sad news just about reaching
him will unfit him for business.

If you desire his presence particularly
write him at once to Mr O. Care of
A. D. Griff & Co. - but he thinks that
Mr Coakrell or Mr Hunt might attempt
to detain him on some pretext - so you
will please say nothing of his coming in
case you write him or in any case and obly
Yours
E. V. Haushunt & Co