Galveston 23 Nov. 1860.

J. H. Brown E. San Francisco: Cal:

Dear Sir -

Your letter of the 10" Aug is before me, it ought to have been answered some time ago, and would, but for a very protracted illness from which I am not yet recovered.

Since the receipt of your letter I have not seen Mr. Cordova, when I do I will talk to him upon the subject of yr. communication, at the same time I am in possession of some of your deeds thro' him with the express promise on my part that if there is any difficulty made by you in the collecting of his claim, that I shall hand the said papers again into his possession, which I feel myself [h?????d] to comply with.

Your dft for \$737.50 was duly paid on presentation which I hope was satisfactory -

Texas is going for the Lone Star and all the people fools!! times very tight - Compliments to yr. family - and Believe me

Your obd A. F. James

Say to Cobb & Simon Jones I will answer as soon as I am strong enough -