

Austin April 20 1864

Lt F.A. Rice
Houston

My Dear Sir

I have not
as yet been able to do
anything with with the boy
[[upsetting?]] your matter. I
have been here but two
days & as yet have not
had an opportunity to
broach the matter to
him - I am afraid
it is going to be a hard
matter to get it through
as we spoke of. for fear
of an accident it would
be well for you to Cousin
up to HB pretty [[sharply?]] to
provide a deft place to drop -
will write you again
next mail
Ship the Balance of your cotten
to: Mr Lubbuch - deliver it to him

for c/o of S. Hart.

Write to me & first mail
to San Antonio without fail &
tell me how much cotten
you have delivered to Oswald
& how much you have to deliver
to Lubbuch & when you can do it.
& all about it - hurry it. Free
time is getting precious.

Yours Truly
E B Nichols