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Baton Rouge Louisiana
November 19th 1848

Dear Sir,

On my return here a day or two since after a short absence, I found your highly esteemed letter of the 26th ulto, in which you say: "I am requested by a highly respectable mercantile house in St. Petersburg (Russia) to procure if possible, the autographs of several of the distinguished men of this country, yourself included in the number". Going on to say: "If you have no objection, I shall feel highly pleased by your acceding to the wishes of my foreign friends". Which I do with great pleasure -

For the high & flattering compliment paid me by your correspondents in Europe, in asking to be furnished with my autograph in connection with those of the most conspicuous & distinguished individuals of the Nation, is an honor I did not expect, & fear I do not deserve; but for which I beg leave to tender you, & through you to the gentlemen in St. Petersburg referred to, my most cordial thanks, accompanied by my best wishes for your & their continued health & prosperity through a long life -

With Respect & Esteem

I have the honor to be
Your Obedt Servt
J. Taylor Major, Genl
U. S. Army

Mr. Wm. Davis Jr
Boston

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