

Dec 8, 1863
Natchez Dec. 8 —

J. O. Cook - P. M. —

Sir

I do myself the honor to inform your Excellency, that a gentleman this moment arrived from New-Orleans - (and who left it since the Post) informs me, that the Province was officially delivered to M. Leupar - and the Flag of the French Republic displayed on the 29th ult. —

Very respectfully

Your Excellency
Most Obedt. Servt.

And^{ro} Margenalk
(Editor of the Mississippi Herald)

His Excellency

Thomas Jefferson

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