

Nov 9, 1805

Dear Sir

Washington Nov. 9. 05

altho' the contents of this letter are for your son, it is addressed to you because it is believed it may find you with the greater certainty. there are three offices to either of which your son shall have an appointment.

1. Collector of customs on the Mobile. the residence at Fort Stoddert, & unhealthy. the emoluments very inconsiderable.
2. Receiver of public monies at Fort S<sup>d</sup>. Stephens. the place healthy, the salary 500. D. & 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  per cent on the sales of land, which are trifling as yet, but will grow. the office permanent.
3. Commissioner for settling land titles in the Western district of Orleans say on Red river. 2000. Dol. is allowed for the whole service which it is expected will take two years. when executed, there is an end of the office.

I must ask the favor of your son to make his option as quickly as he can & to notify it to me by post, because it is now requisite to fill all the offices without delay. The 2<sup>d</sup>. & 3<sup>d</sup>. will require also that he should go on with as little delay as possible. Accept my affectionate salutations & assurances of great esteem & respect

J. Jefferson

Rev<sup>d</sup>. Mr. Maury

Maury Matthew Nov. 9. 05.

Dear Sir

I must at the first of your trip to make the office as quickly as  
 I can & to return to my post. I am sure to be very useful to  
 you all the office will be glad to see you. I will require you to  
 be there as early as possible. I will require you to be there  
 as early as possible. I will require you to be there as early as possible.

I. Collector of Customs on the Middle Tennessee River at Fort St. Louis.  
 II. Receiver of Public Money at Fort St. Stephens. The place being the  
 salary \$2000 & 1 1/2 percent on the value of land which are being  
 as yet, but will grow. The office permanent.  
 III. Commissioner for selling land in the Indian District of the East  
 on the 1st of March. 2000000. It is expected will take two years. This  
 is an office of the office.

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