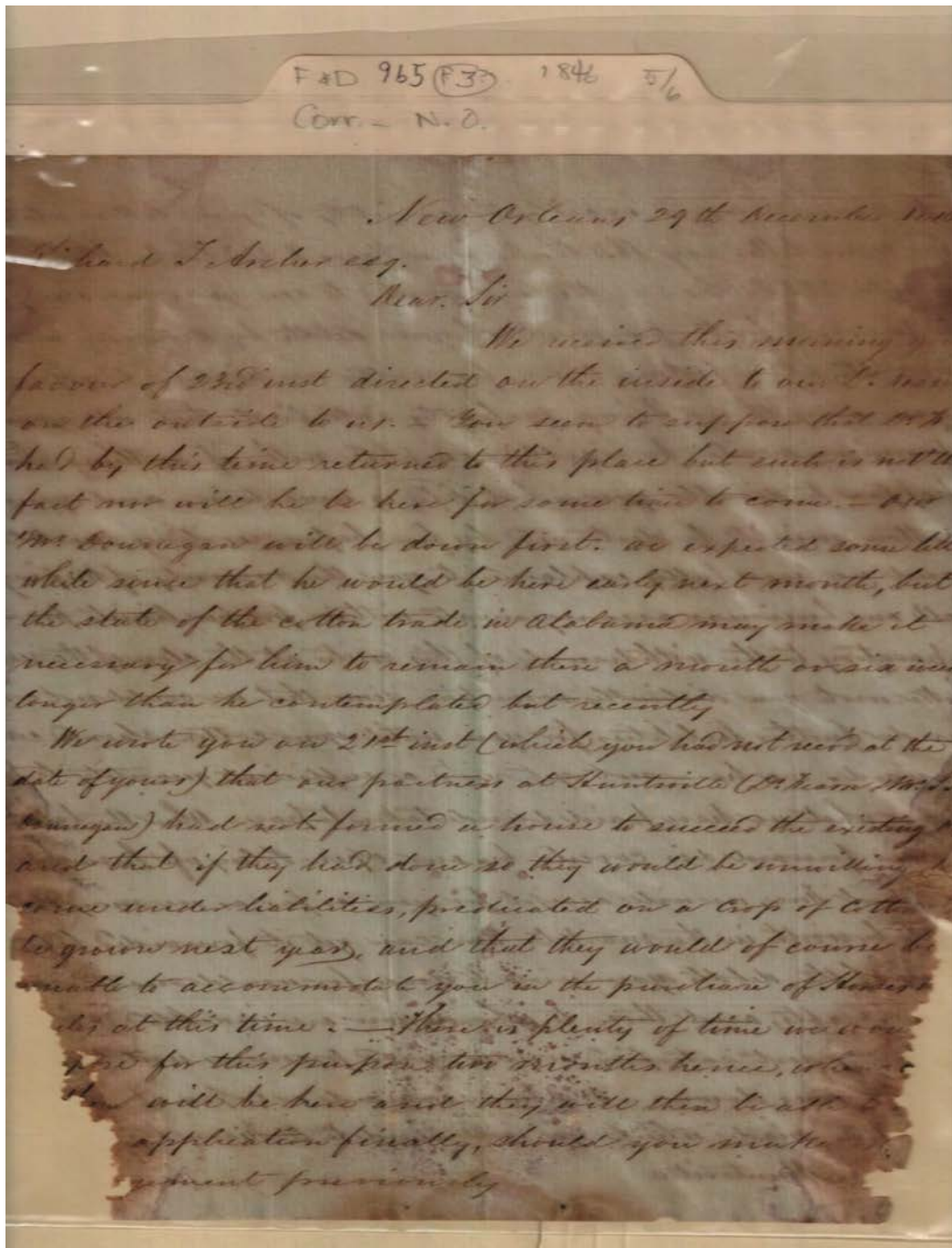


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Names:

Archer, Richard T.

Donegan, J. J.

Fearn, Dr.

Places:

New Orleans, LA

Types:

correspondence

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We have received exactly the quantity of your cotton stated
in your letter say 160 Bales from Bayou & 123 Bales, Mobile
to 283 Bales. - We are grieved to see your anxiety
to provide for the payment of your debts by drawing on us
at a future time, for really we dislike to refuse
you any thing, being perfectly satisfied that all your
promises would be rigidly complied with, if nothing should
happen to disable you. - but life is uncertain, and your
cotton might be destroyed by fire before reaching market
and we have fully explained to you the necessity of keeping
all our business arrangements within proper limits pre-
paratory to the withdrawal of this writer at the close of the year.
We wrote you distinctly some time since that we could not re-
spond under further liabilities for you until your cotton should come
forward. we have not yet received a sufficient quantity to
cover what we have paid & undertaken to pay. - When the balance
comes forward six covered by our open policy of insurance
against fire, we will accept for you as far as we may be
able to be worth in the market. You can get it forwarded before
any of the debts you wish to draw for would mature on
drafts, and those to whom you are indebted, will
be entirely satisfied, under your promises written
to come down. - We have caused a copy of this
to be made which we will send to E. Fearn & Co.
to Huntsville

Names:

Fearn, Dr.

Places:

New Orleans, LA

Types:

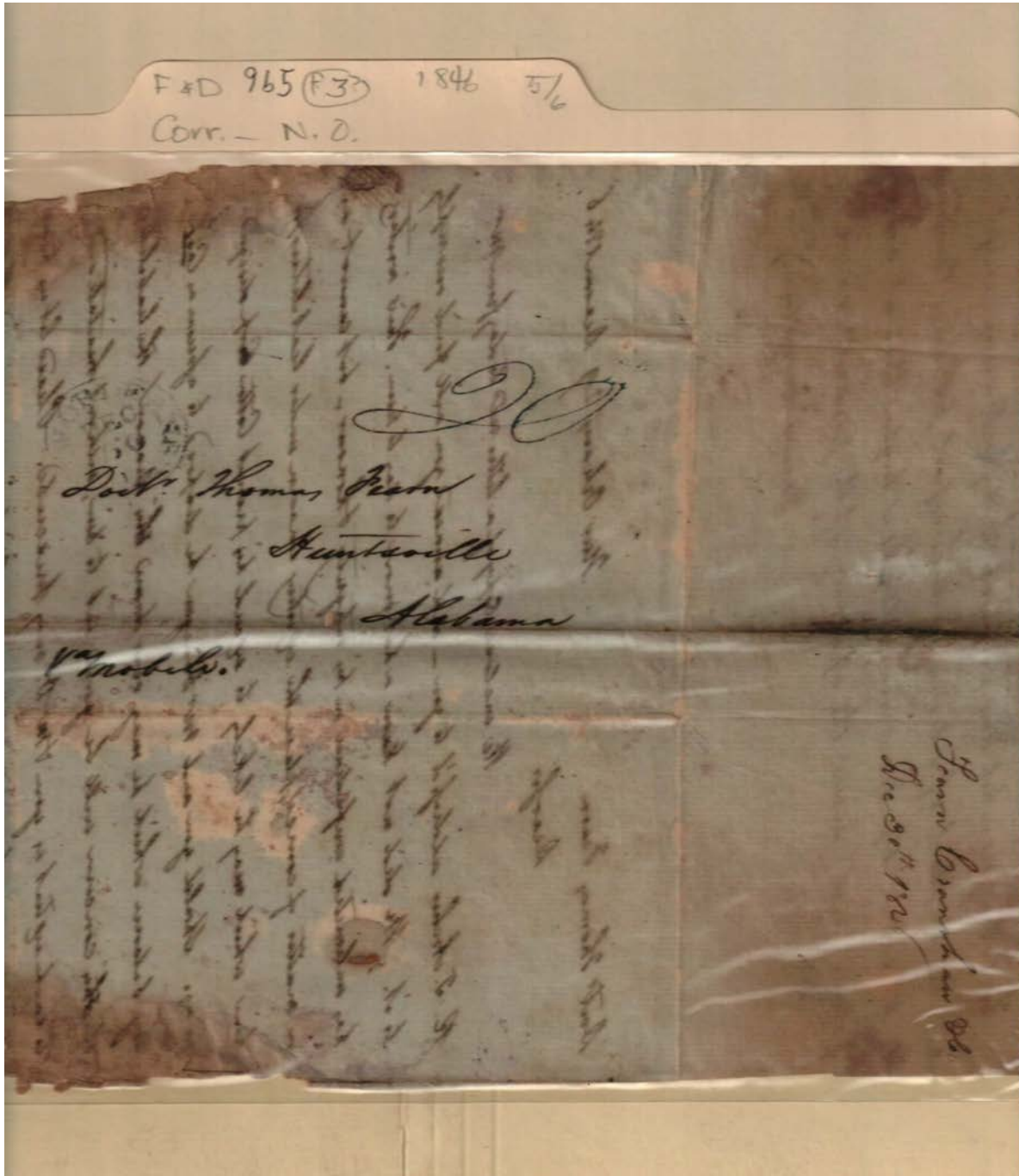
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Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Fearn, Thomas, Dr.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

New Orleans, LA

Types:

address

correspondence

Dates:

Dec 30, 1846

F&D 965 (P3) 1846 5/6
Corr. - N. O.

The cotton market has improved for the same reason
the late day last of advices from Liverpool, previous to
the 1st inst. We are now fully the highest there at a
former period since the opening of the present season.

Yours very truly

Dr. Thomas, Fearn
New Orleans, 29 Decemr 1846

The enclosed copy of a letter recd today from Mr
R. T. Archer addressed to you - and assured you will find ourselves
to it. We did not know what more to say to him. This writer
has unlimited confidence in his integrity & honour - but cannot, as
a matter of course, place the existing concern under liabilities
him which may be likely to exceed his present Cotton Crop designed
for us. Should you and Mr Donegan be disposed to assume or Cash
any balance which he may owe draw this season, the liabilities
of this concern will be going out to him, without hesitation
to such extent as you & Mr D. may prescribe. Please let us hear
on you on the subject at your earliest convenience. Perhaps
every death is the greatest risk.

Yours truly
Fearn, Crenshaw & Co.

Names:

Archer, R. T.
Donegan, Mr.

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Fearn, Thomas, Dr.

Places:

New Orleans, LA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Dec 29, 1846

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F&D 965 (F3) 1846 5/6
Corr. - N. O.

Archusa Dec: 23 1846

Dear Sirs I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. for Mr. Crenshaw's account and that he would leave the firm on the first of January and that you had gone to Huntsville to organize a new house, and would not return until about Christmas. He also declared contracting engagements for the new house. I am very much to continue my business with you. I presume to forward this you have received, the sales of Cotton from the Bank and 125 from this County. I am the most accurate estimate I have been able to make I believe to be 470 bales made at the Bank (this includes ^{some} old cotton not yet ginned which was of good quality) and 250 to 260 in this Co. of this year. I have no provision to all Cotton holders and 20 or 25 to Bogart & Foley. I expect to send you fully 5000 more (for the winter) before starting at the Bank, and I have further payments to provide for what I will expect they are about \$5000 to be added to the other which I have transmitted to the other abolition banks. I do not think you find any objection to this, also about \$2000 to 2500 which I will give to another bank to draw for. Also about \$1000 to Mr. H. B. Ellett, this two last amounts may be paid in other and two other sets of about \$100 each, say a all \$10000. I expect Cotton you have received and that which you will receive is sufficient to cover the whole say \$22000 including what has already accepted and paid, but should it fall short

Names:

Banister, Munro, Dr.
Banister, S. P.

Bogart & Foley
Crenshaw, Mr.

Ellett, H. J.
Fearn, Thomas, Dr.

Places:

Archusa, MS

Types:


correspondence

Dates:

Dec 23, 1846

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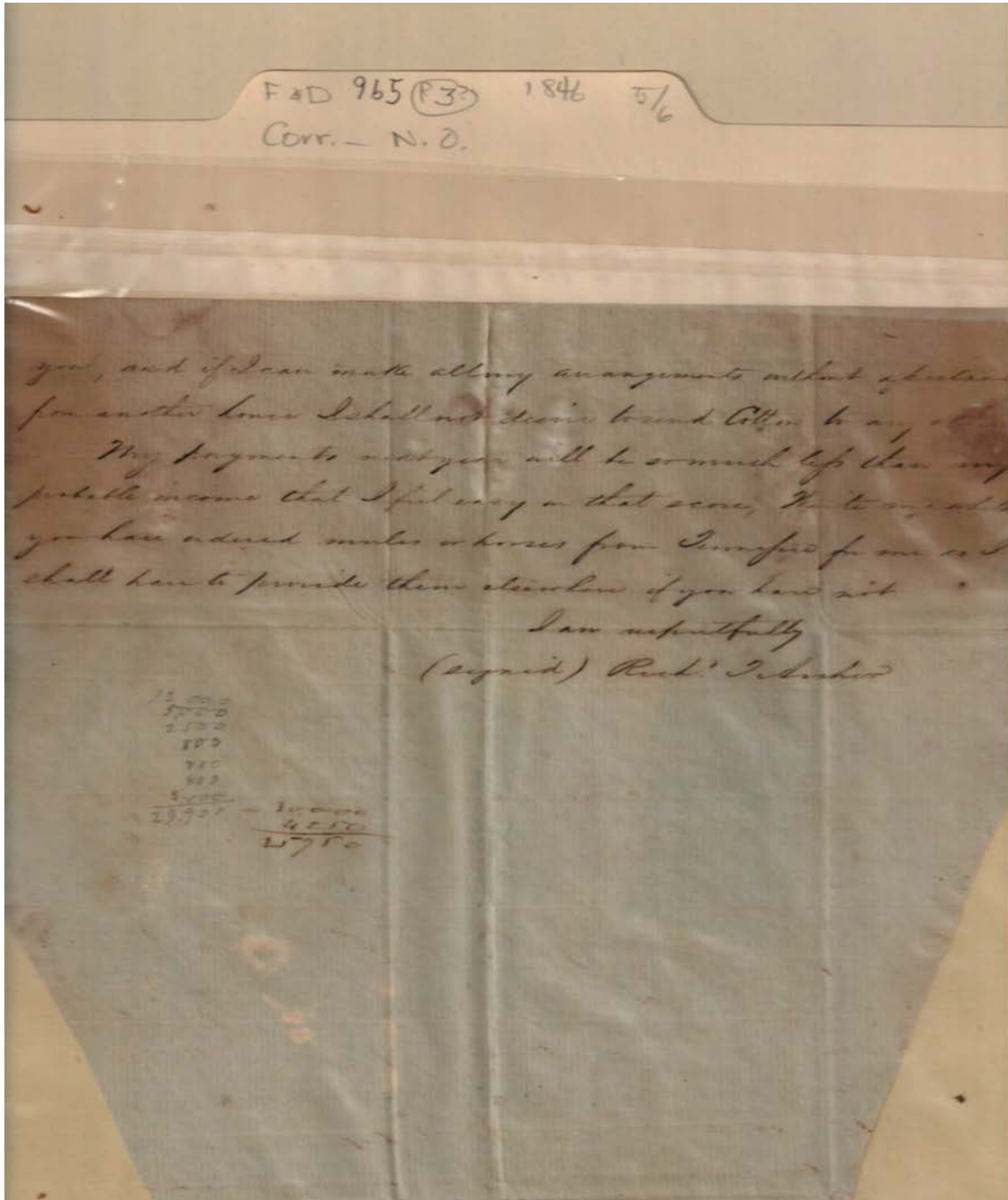
Archusa, MS

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Names:

Archer, Richard T.

Places:

Archusa, MS

Types:


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Dates:

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Places:

New Orleans, LA

Types:


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Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Hopkins, Judge

Places:

New Orleans, LA

Types:


correspondence

Dates:

Nov 6, 1846

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Hopkins, Judge

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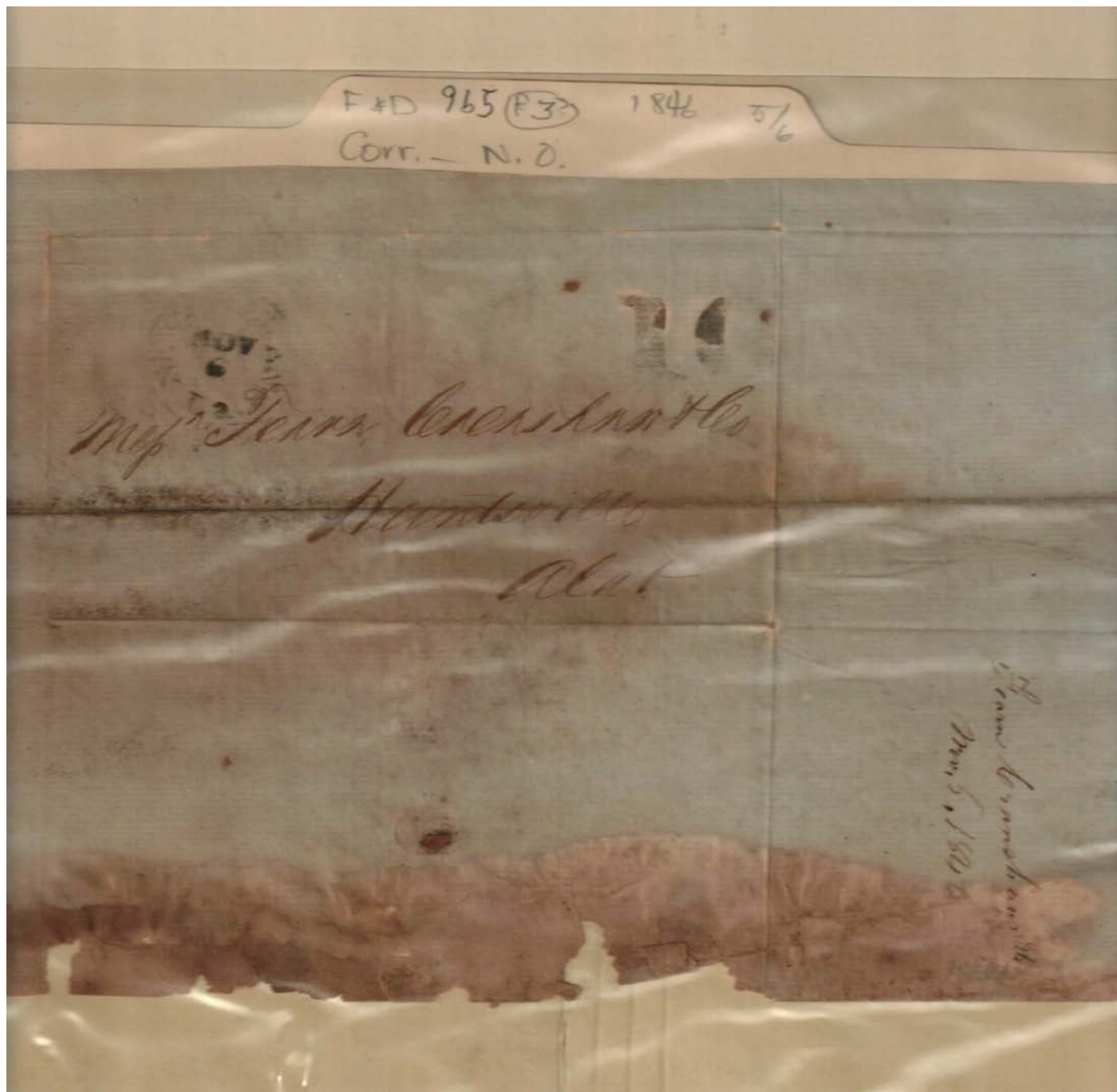
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correspondence

Dates:

Nov 6, 1846



Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

Types:

address

Dates:

Nov 6, 1846

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Corr. - N.O.

but the time may be protracted before it happens if the speculators there find it
an unusually deterring generally to work short terms of which however many
by no means care and are rather disposed to look on it as well as the state
state of the Liverpool market as a "ruse". They know how not to be misled
steamer before 4th December during the month it is as desirable to keep our
markets supplied that a large part of the stock might be drawn under the
unfavorable advices by the Standard. They know how to manage their things
in England. The same game was played by the same Port at 4th Decr 1844 when
enabled buyers here to get steadily ready to look at the market at 4 1/2 + 5/8
but our Mr. W. will weather it, and that the day after he left here for
Liverpool on with a large lot of flour for 4 1/2 he had on that occasion, more
likely after the Port left Liverpool manufacturers apprehensive that the
price generally will fall and will not be able to bear the weight of 1 1/2 + 1/8
the rate in freight or exchange. By the way we have from the
about of the 10th about London that a Policy has been opened at
the rate of 1000 lbs. by 31 Decr 1846 with the quality and the
of day superior to hitherto only to 2000 had been taken.
The Mr. Erskine Michael Erskine to post from his left on as for
Erskine to 1 Jan or 1 March if he can in fact if he must it
it is necessary absolutely to secure the purchase he has in mind
from about 1/8. Thus we do for Mr. Erskine's desire above.
The 10th of Decr has not returned and may not for some time as he intends
to take the West India steamer. If we should for need you money from
here we should be obliged to do so
we buying at high prices of a
of our friends who have
able help to them; and our

Names:

Donegan, Mr.

Erskine, Michael

Places:

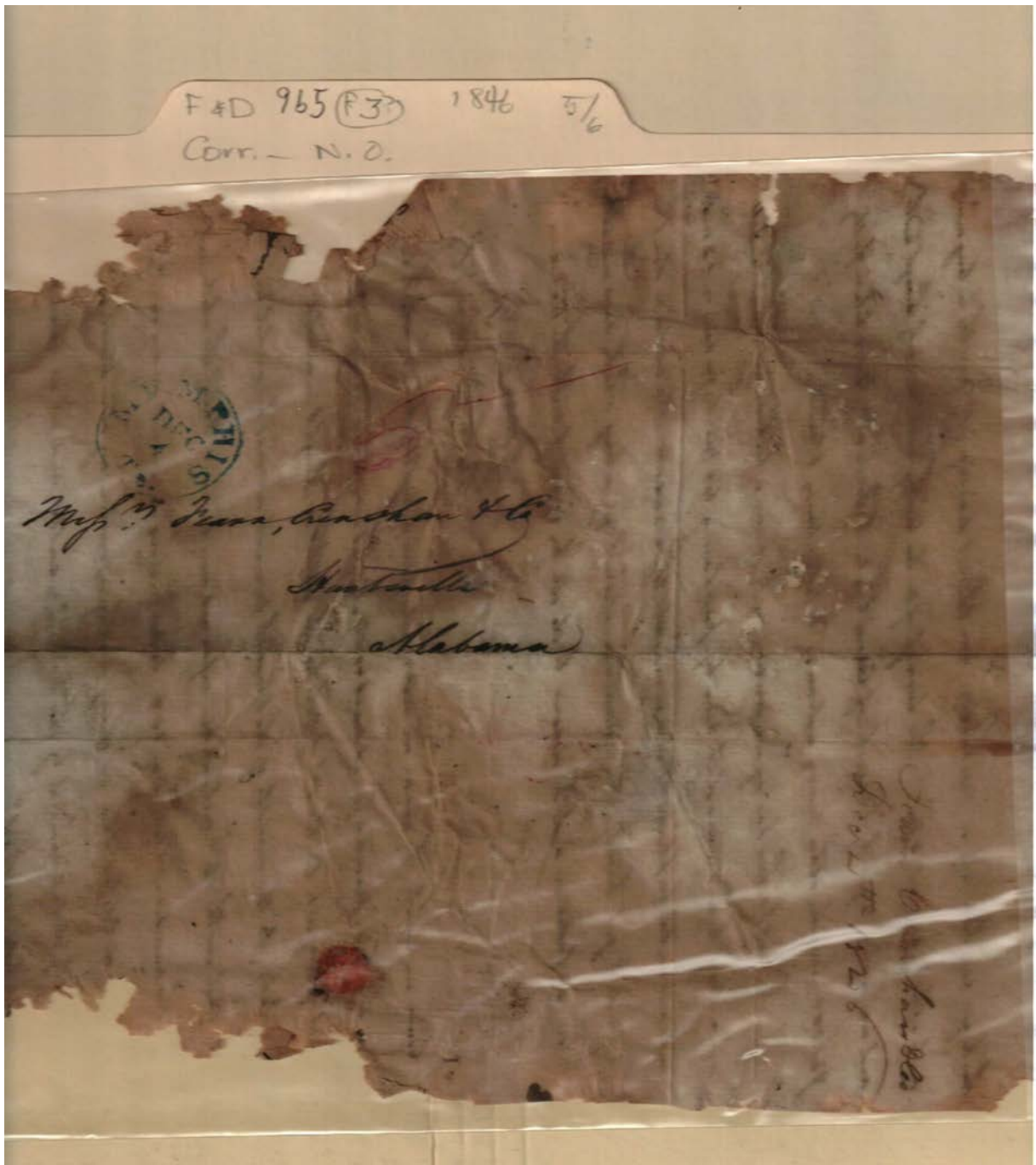
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Types:

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Dates:

Nov 28, 1846



Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

Types:

address

Dates:

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Corr. - N.O.

Thank you had better rely on Washburn. Would not drawing at 80 cents be long enough
and after 1 year at 6 1/2%? The business of the low country will be early through with
and we ought to get by 1 March of Carnes & Tate. C. Ford and Bibb take fully
420,000 besides a few heavy advances to Cotton House & Atlanta.

Dr. J. Archer has again written us to know whether our Dr. & C. & D.
are willing to accommodate him by purchasing 400 bales for him on 12 1/2%
and we would be pleased to communicate their answer. He would do us
the good to get liberty. His communications for a long while have indicated
a true confidence in and a desire to do all his business with the Honors.

Yours truly
Fearn, Crenshaw & Co.

Some we write the above on our letter from Judge Hopkins which he says
"my hope was planted for at least 400 bales it was promising until
the 1st of August. On the 1st of October the prospects changed in our
favor. In the middle of that month he wrote me that he would want
2,000 and on the 16th instant he informed me he had pulled the whole and
the number of bales was 100. Expectations are limited in my own
of October have in many instances, within my own knowledge
I'm disappointed by the actual results, and in no case
fully met."

Names:

Archer, R. T.
Bibb estate
Carnes & Tate

Donegan, J. J.
Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Fearn, Dr.
Ford, C.
Hopkins, Judge

Places:

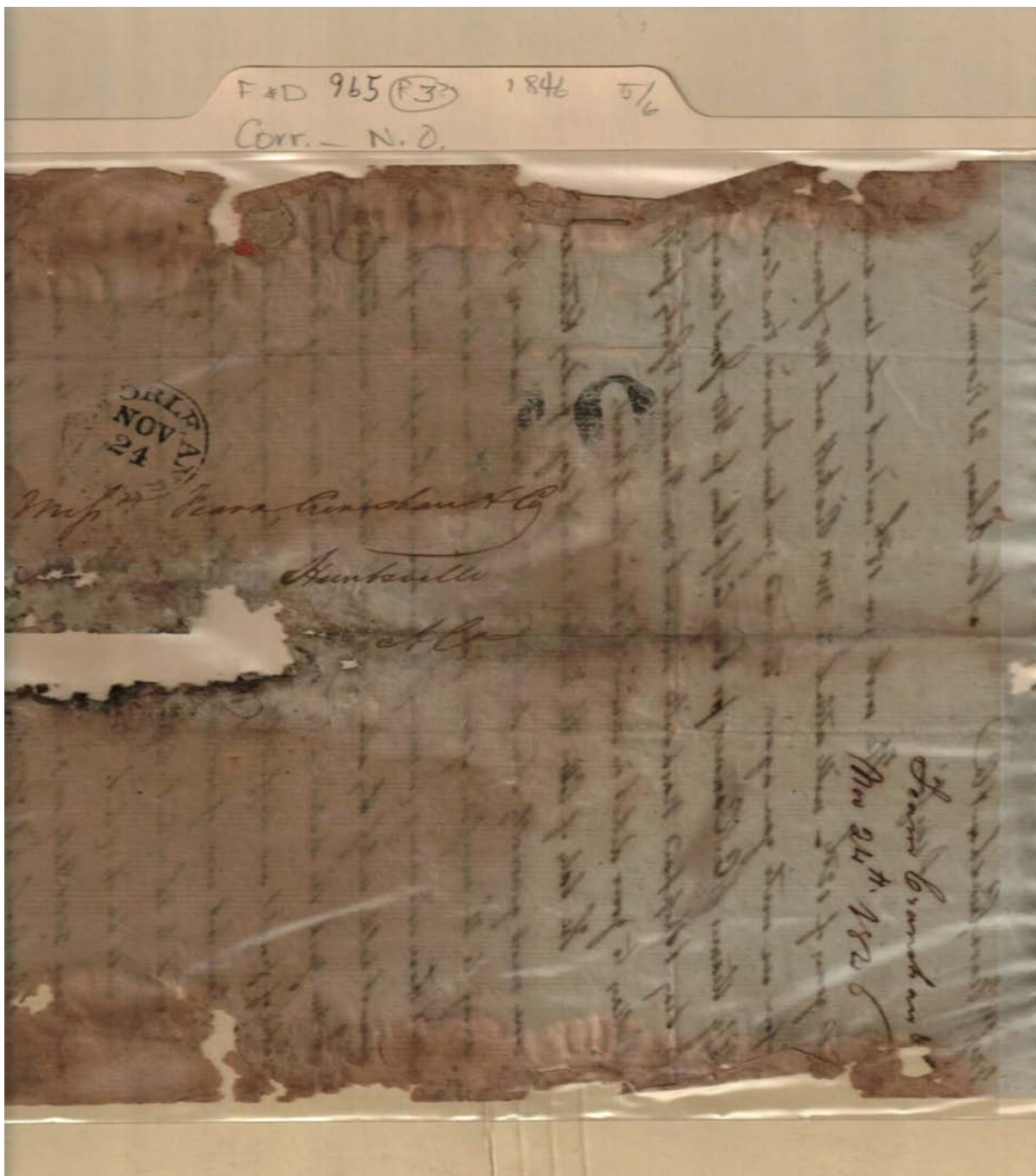
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Dates:

Nov 28, 1846



Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

Types:

address

Dates:

Nov 24, 1846

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 Corr. - N.O.

Prof^{rs} Fearn, Crenshaw & Co. New Orleans 23 Novemr 1846

Dear Sirs

We wrote you 15th instant and have since
 recd yours of 12th - will attend to Mr^r Pickett and Mr^r Jamar
 before we write you again. Annce you have Invoice enclosed
 My thanks Mr^r Jones for 8 doz Calf skins for 400 Jams conveyed
 to Seay & Sheppard Nashville amount one hundred & forty five
 Dollars to your debit in accounts of your funds here.

The sale of Cotton the two last business days (Friday & Saturday)
 were most generally at a decline of $\frac{1}{8}$ th - in some instances $\frac{1}{4}$ th
 owing to the receipt of some parties. The article now costs so much
 that those advancing (in money) to purchasers in the upper towns of Miss
 cannot hold unless they allow their business to drop to a mere nothing.
 In New York the decline is $\frac{1}{4}$ th since Britannia's news owing to advanced
 rates of freight and difficulty of being tonnage being scarce.

We have had none of our coffee in regard to the extent of the
 sales will be its extent. We and have 2000 lbs on hand.
 in Liverpool to 31st ult the price of the mail come through
 our usual letter account from
 sailing, and we may expect
 of the 1st - Altho' per
 accounts than personally they
 time, and therefore we have had

the article of further decline
 us to the conclusion 1900 or
 could nothing since 13th instant
 we we shall have account
 sent to return to New York
 who left of good they will not
 then they had at the Britannia
 other advance to be reported
 in by $\frac{1}{4}$ th before the Britan
 under Britan to sell
 Fearn, Crenshaw & Co

Names:

Conner, C.

Fearn, Crenshaw &
 Co.

Jamar, Mr.
 Jones, George

Pickett, Mrs.
 Seay & Sheppard

Places:

New Orleans, LA

Types:

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Dates:

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Corr. - N. O.

Mr. Fearn & Donegan (to) New Orleans, 30 Nov 1846

Dear Sirs

We write you 28th inst. & trust you have not yet seen any of your favor or service. In that we suggested the propriety of your negotiating at some rate during December and afterwards at 4 months then the fluctuations in the market has taken on before and this country being us to a different conclusion, and we do not think to take on more during December and 5 months in January - of any thing to come after January 4 months would be sufficient. It is not only the unfavorable course of the cotton market which induces this change of views, but the uncertainty what time the flat West Cotton may arrive from Alabama, they on Saturday (day before yesterday) advanced to 5000 lbs at 18th lower to compensate for 1/6th advance in freight - and the fact that people view our exchange as regards the probability of success of prices. We get full satisfied that before the close of the season, an important improvement in the value of Cotton must take place - and that is one reason why we would like to be fortified with means and act independently as regards holding or selling the changes with rate low during the winter and spring in consequence of the enormous exports of Broad Stuffs - low enough to sustain the importation of species of which we shall receive from Europe to the amount of our exports of Broad Stuffs say twenty millions dollars in the next twelve months. Should the crop come in rapidly

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Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Places:

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Corr. - N.O.

... will partly meet on arrival, freight with interest ...
... for cotton in January & February - but we expect to see another
... of the cotton market in March, April or May, that being
... packages, will be matters of little consideration. By the time
... to Liverpool will have been so far developed as that a close
... to the result may be seen, and it will be found that our
... is decided not among the different markets of the world, there
... will be greatly below the requirements of our trade, that
... in some manufactures may work short for a time.

Yours truly
J. C. & Co.

The number amount of cotton to date
which you see in our chart of last
... only 104,8 Bales. We have not counted
more than half from the low country that
... at least give say 7000 or 8000 Bales.
... we will make it up to some extent.

J. C. & Co.

Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Places:

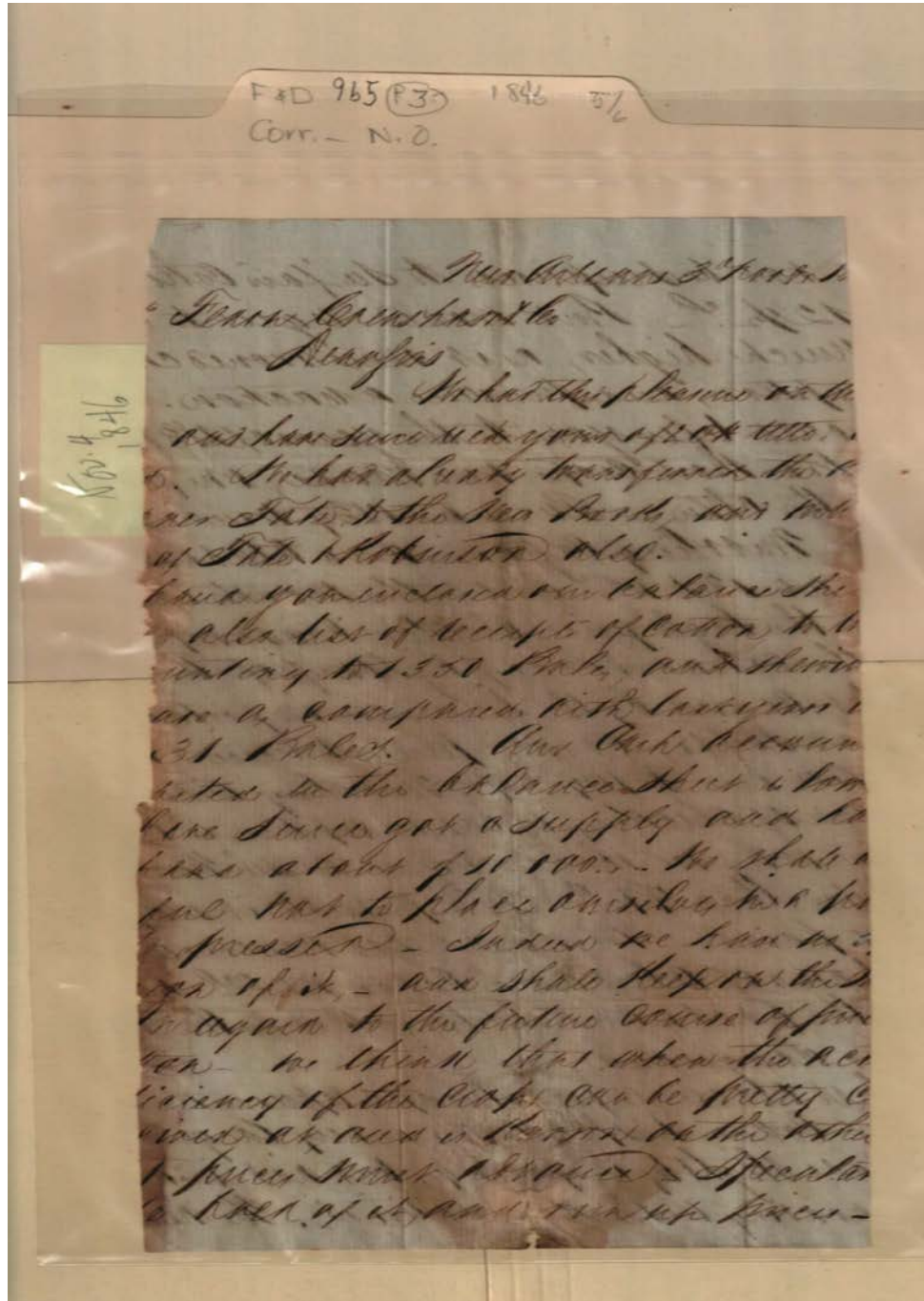
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Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Tate & Robinson
Tate, Abner

Places:

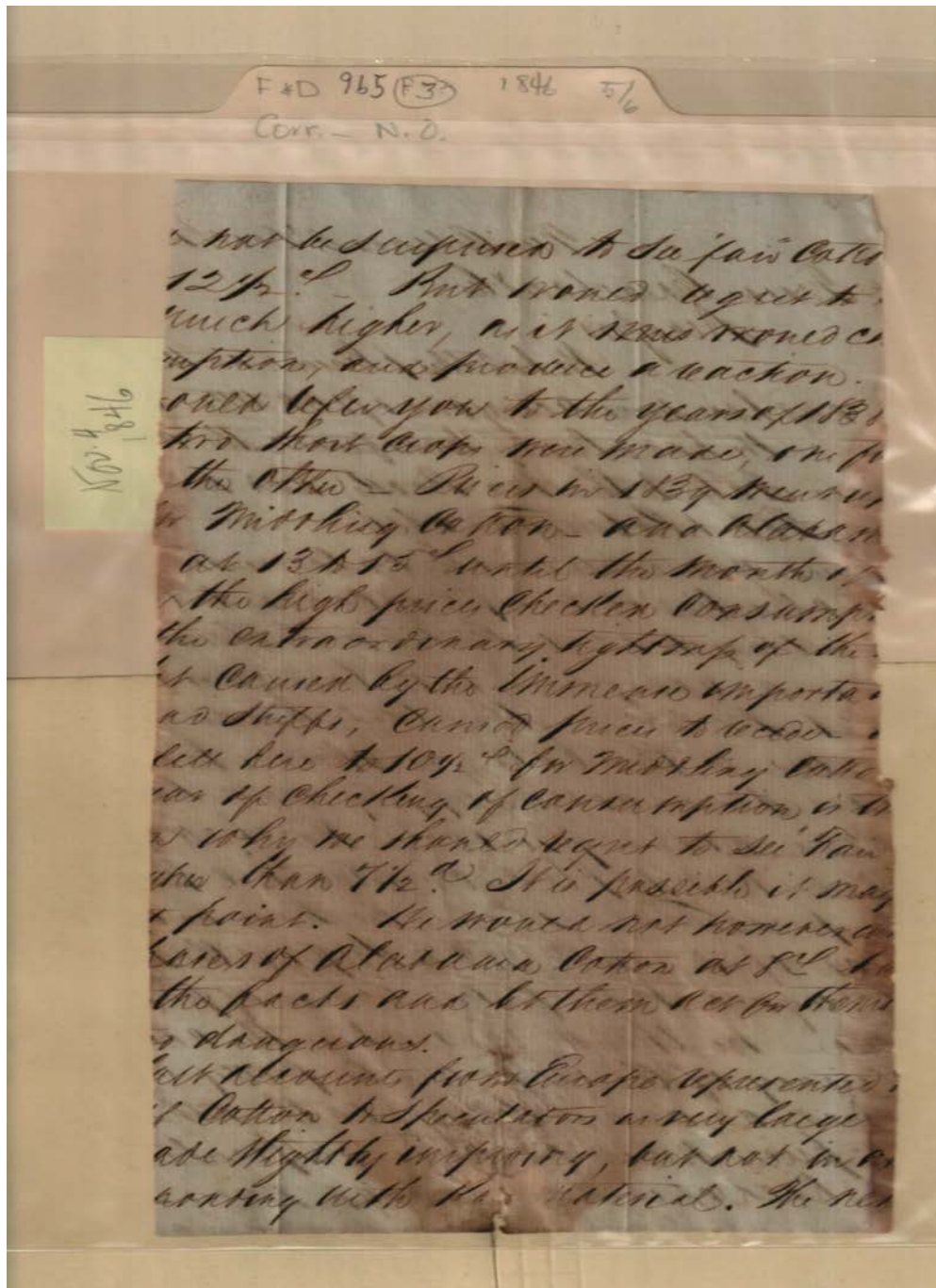
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Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Places:

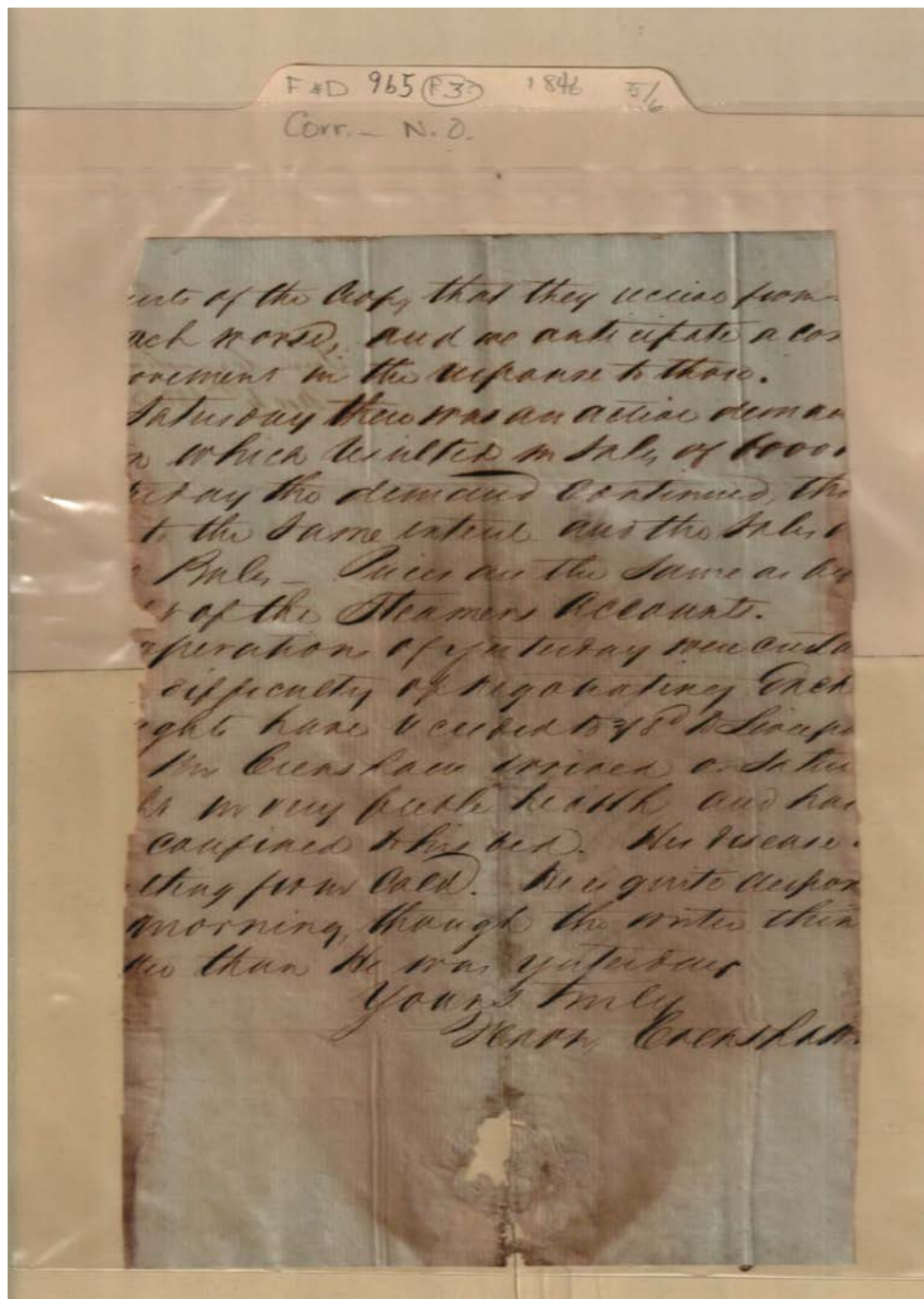
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Names:

Crenshaw, Mr.

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

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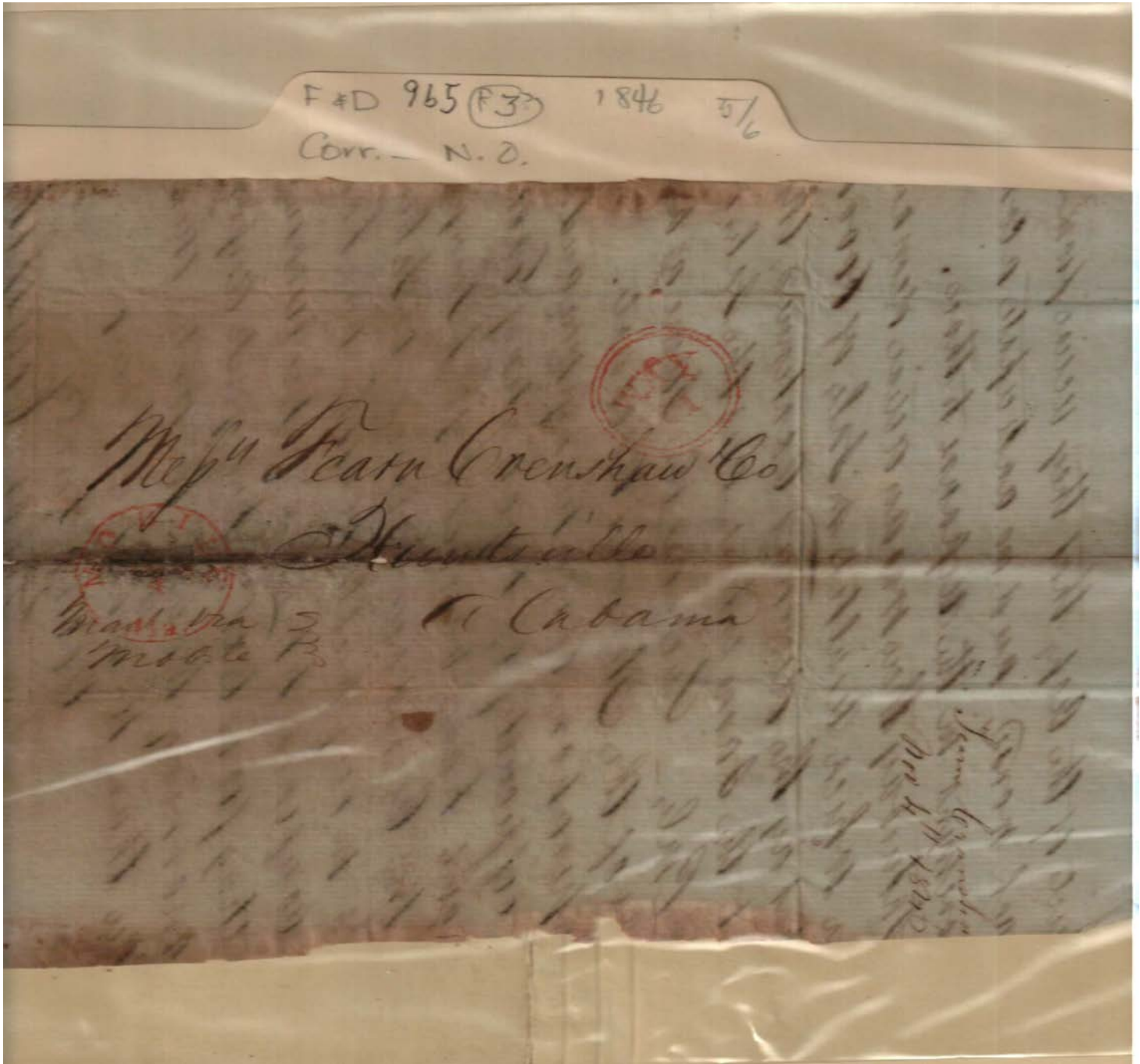
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Co.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

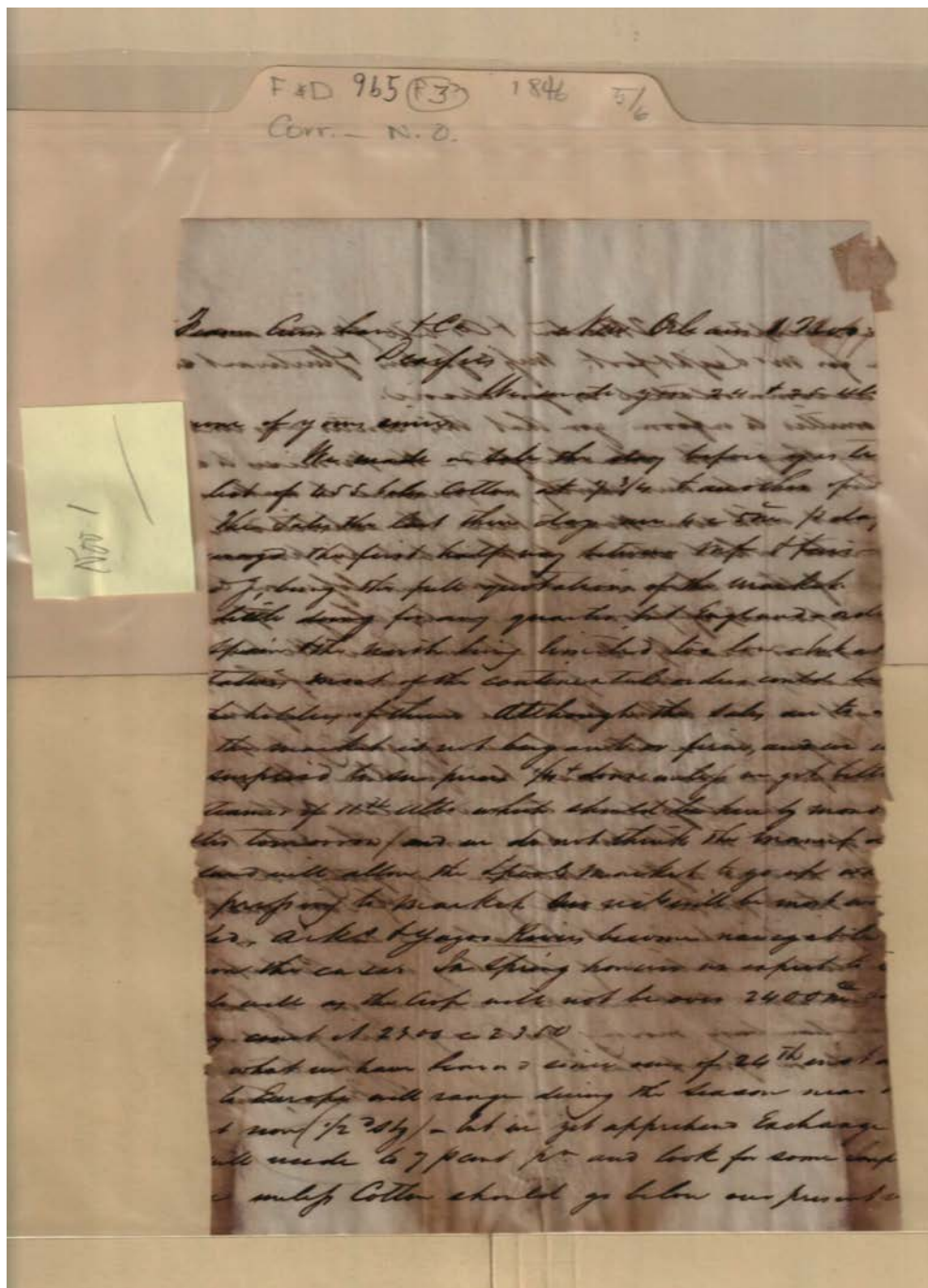
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Co.

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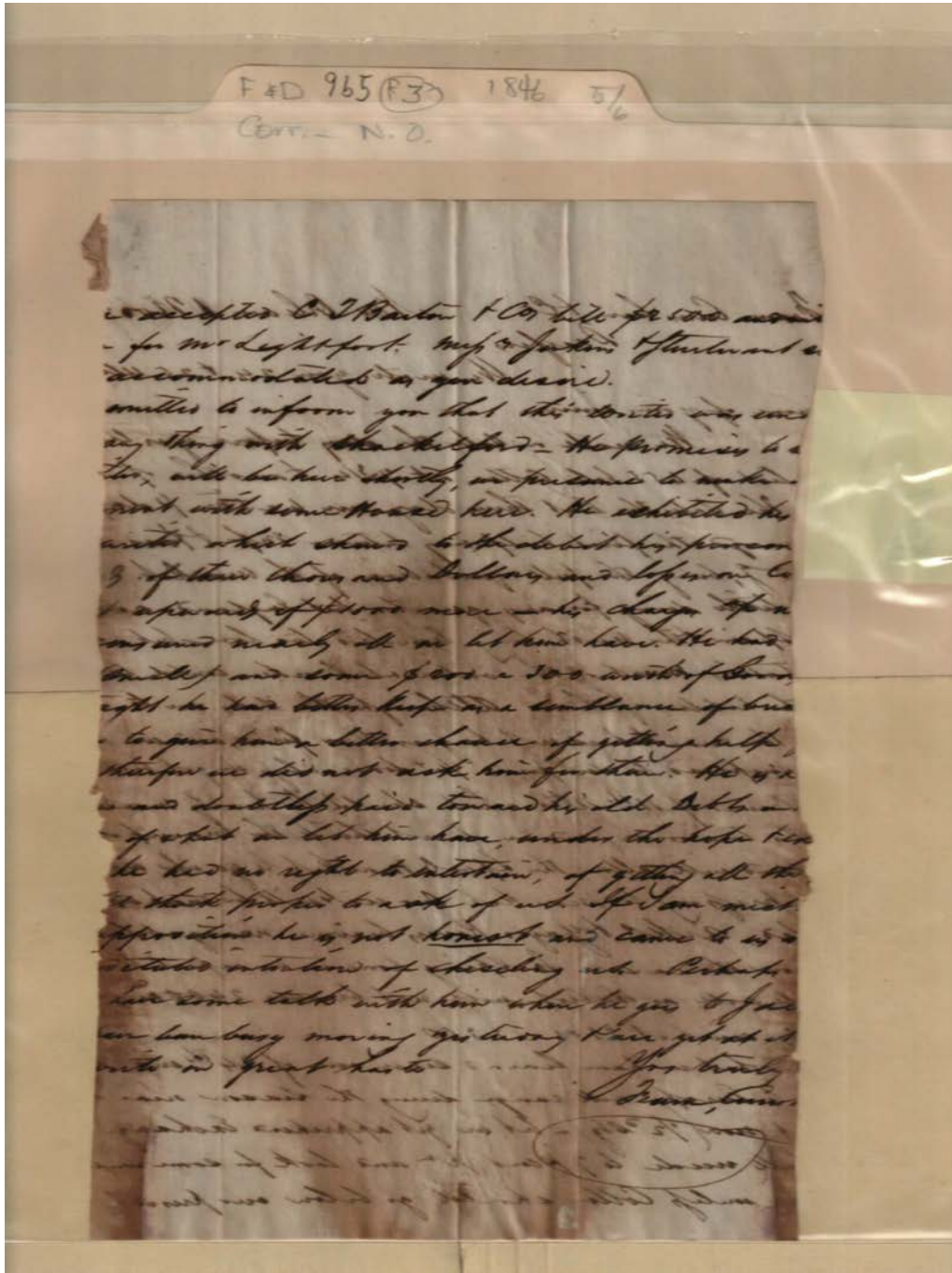
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Names:

Barton, C. T. & Co.

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Jenkins & Sturdivant
Lightfoot,

Places:

New Orleans, LA

Types:

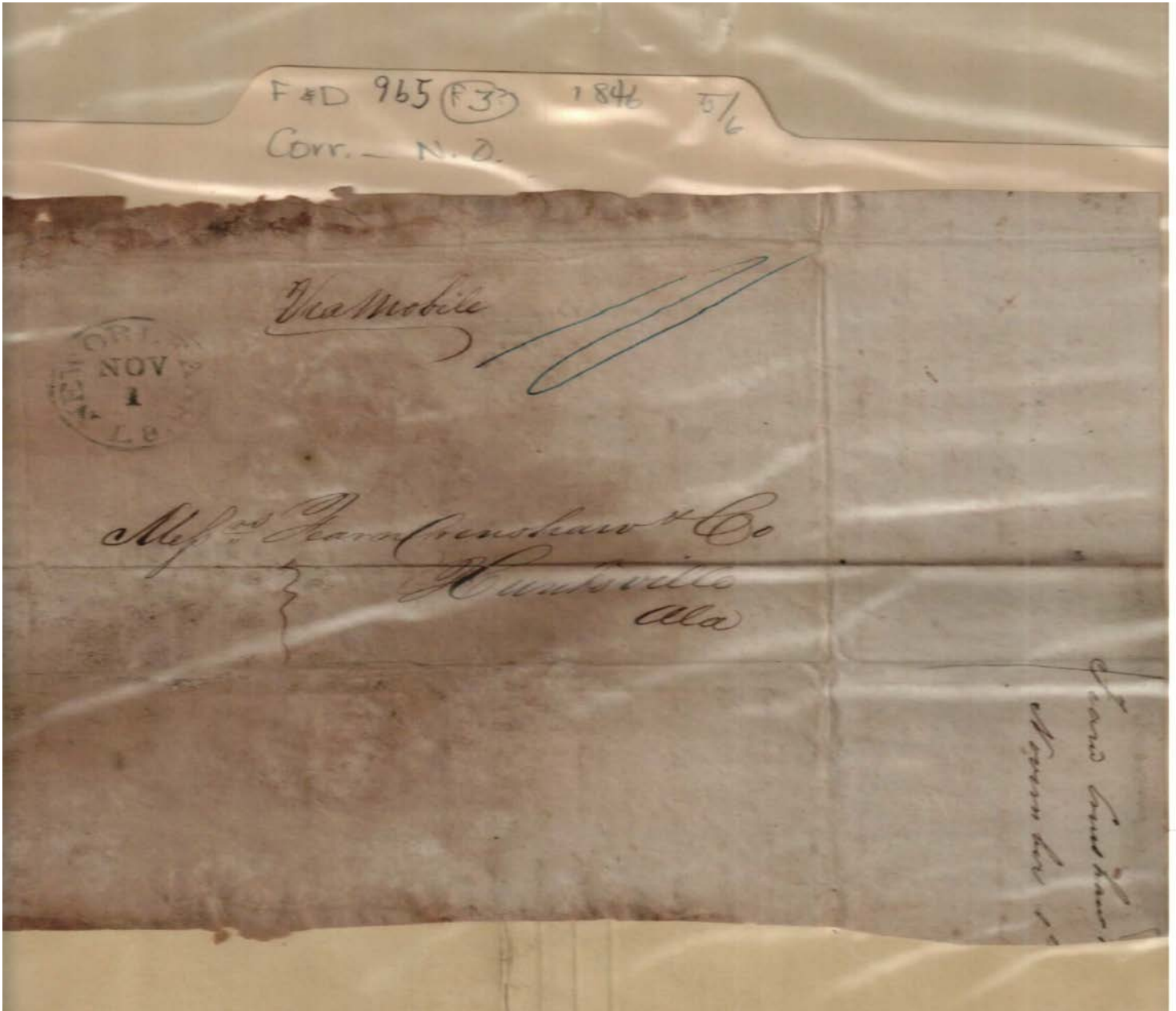
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Dates:

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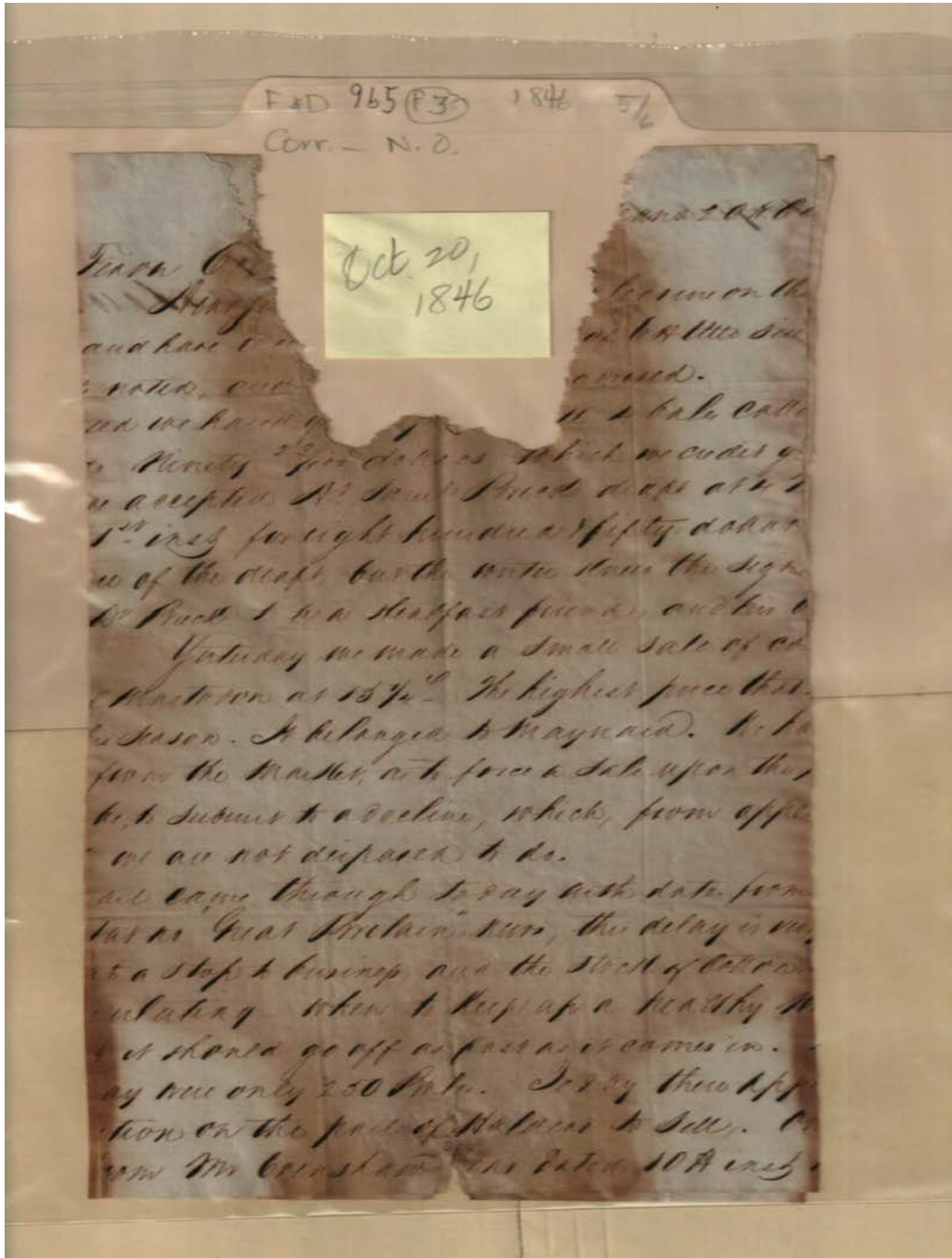
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Names:

Breck, Samuel, Dr.
Crenshaw, Mr.

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Maynard,

Places:

New Orleans, LA

Types:

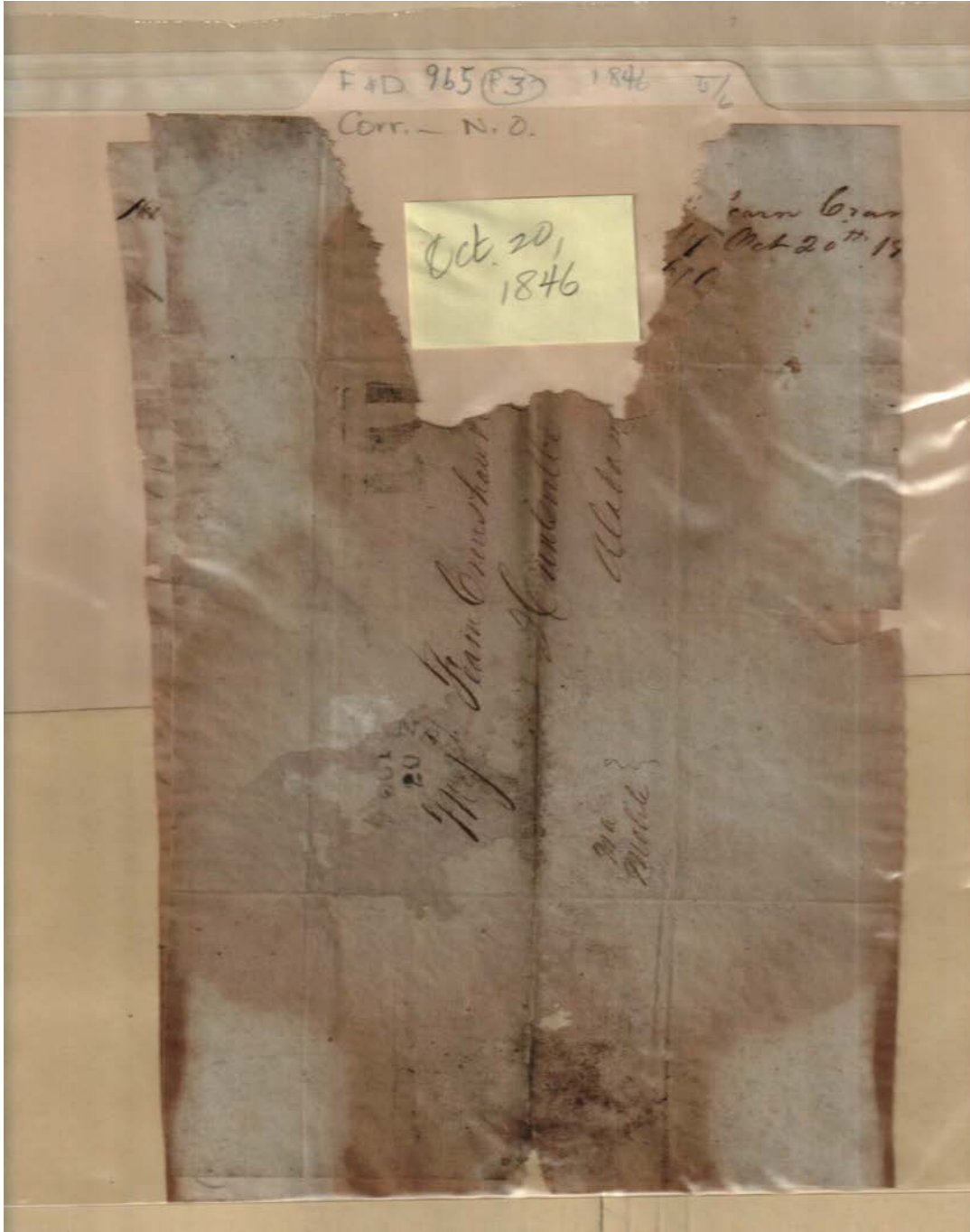
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Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

Types:

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Dates:

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Corr. - N.O.

New Orleans, 26 Dec. 1846

My dear Sir,

We write you last on the 23rd inst. in relation to the purchase of the bills of exchange on Robert & Williams New York each for one thousand dollars, to your order at 70 1/2 - having the day before received five of them. On the 15th inst. we sent you Samuel Nicholson's five bills each \$1000 on Robert & Williams New York at 70 1/2. - but we hope you heard us before this time.

By yesterday's mail we send you, of 17th inst. covering two \$1000 or stated; and notice your remark that our intention may make it necessary that our note should remain in abeyance for some time yet and that we should make an appointment for him to be here at any specific date. We have made no such appointment yet - with Mr. Drake there with 21st inst. - since we had made you we have used for our Dr. from our Dr. Stroniger, who we both get without difficulty in reply to your request that we should provide some money or bills for you, stating that they have not yet come to any understanding as to the formation of a house to succeed the existing one. They also remark that it would be too early if the house were to undertake liabilities, particularly in a case of letters to be given to you?

We have no disposition to having Mr. Bringer think he had better remain as long as at all necessary to continue to and look after those to whom advances have been made - he is induced to sell after having made shipping arrangements - we no doubt your country will be full of speculators.

NY

Names:

Archer, Richard T.
Brown Bros. & Co.
Donegan, J. J.

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.
Fearn, Dr.

Howell & Williams
Nicholson, Samuel
Robert & Williams

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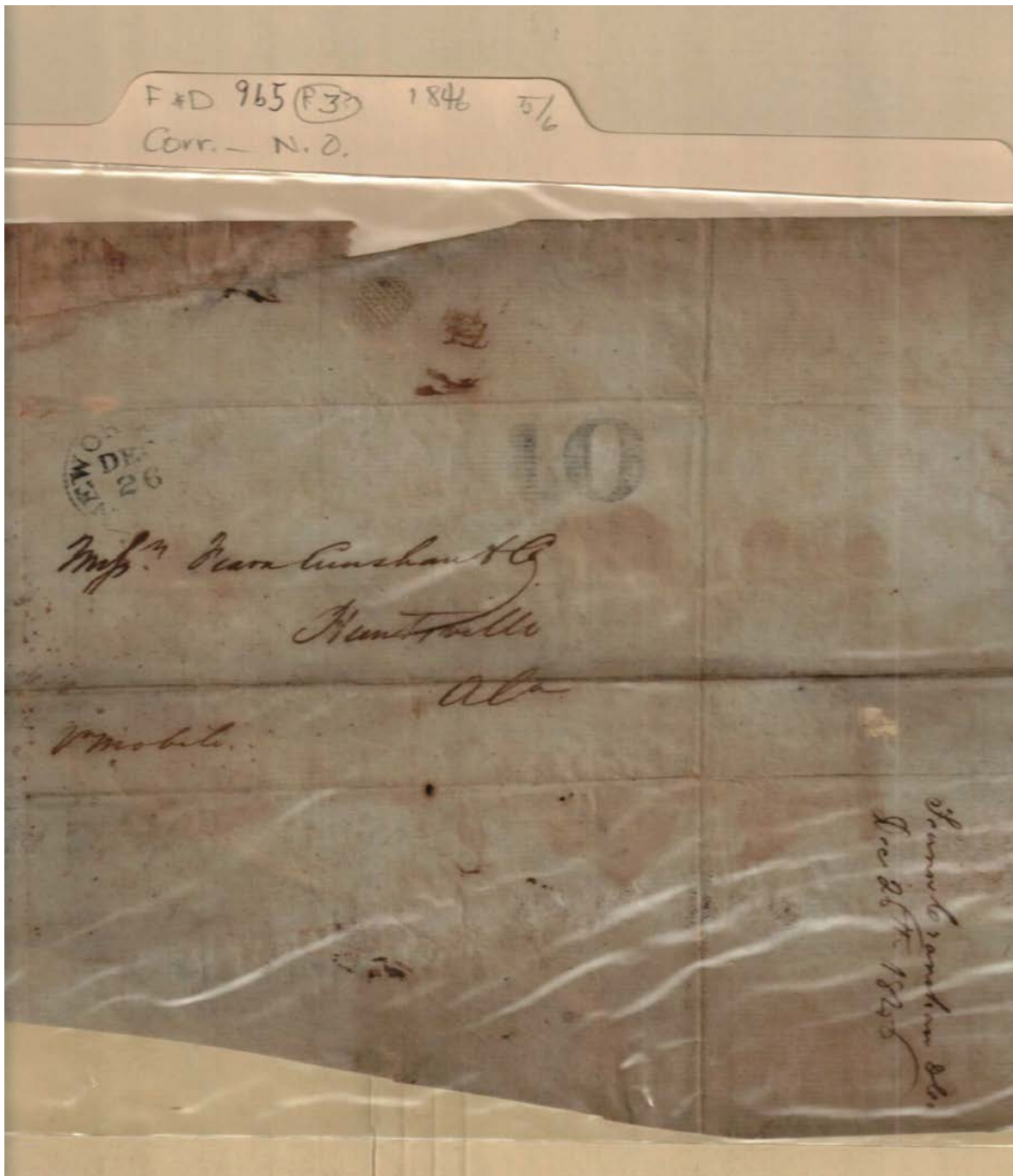
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Co.

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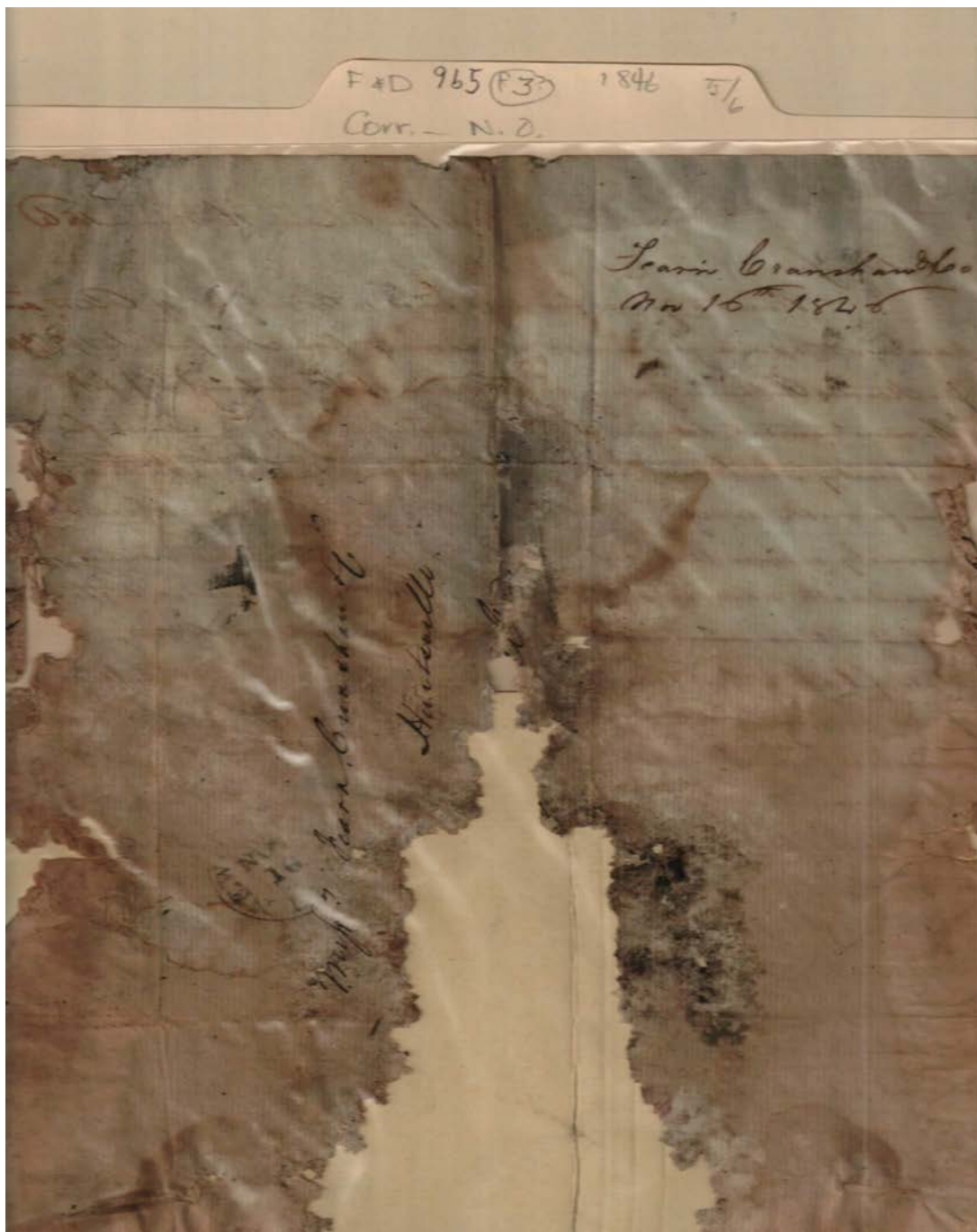
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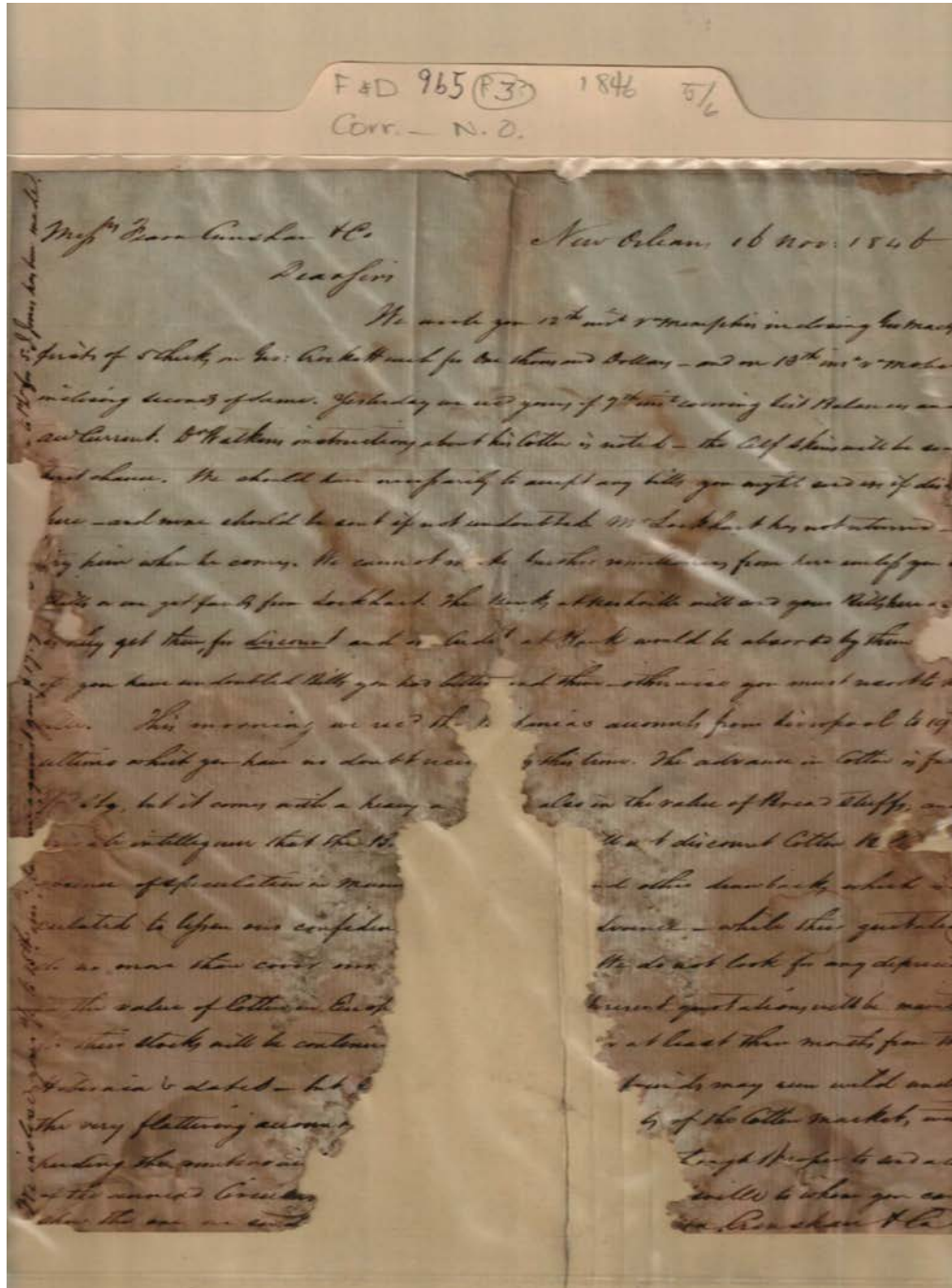
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Names:

Crockett, George

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Jones, S. J.
Lockhart, Mr.

Watkins, Dr.

Places:

New Orleans, LA

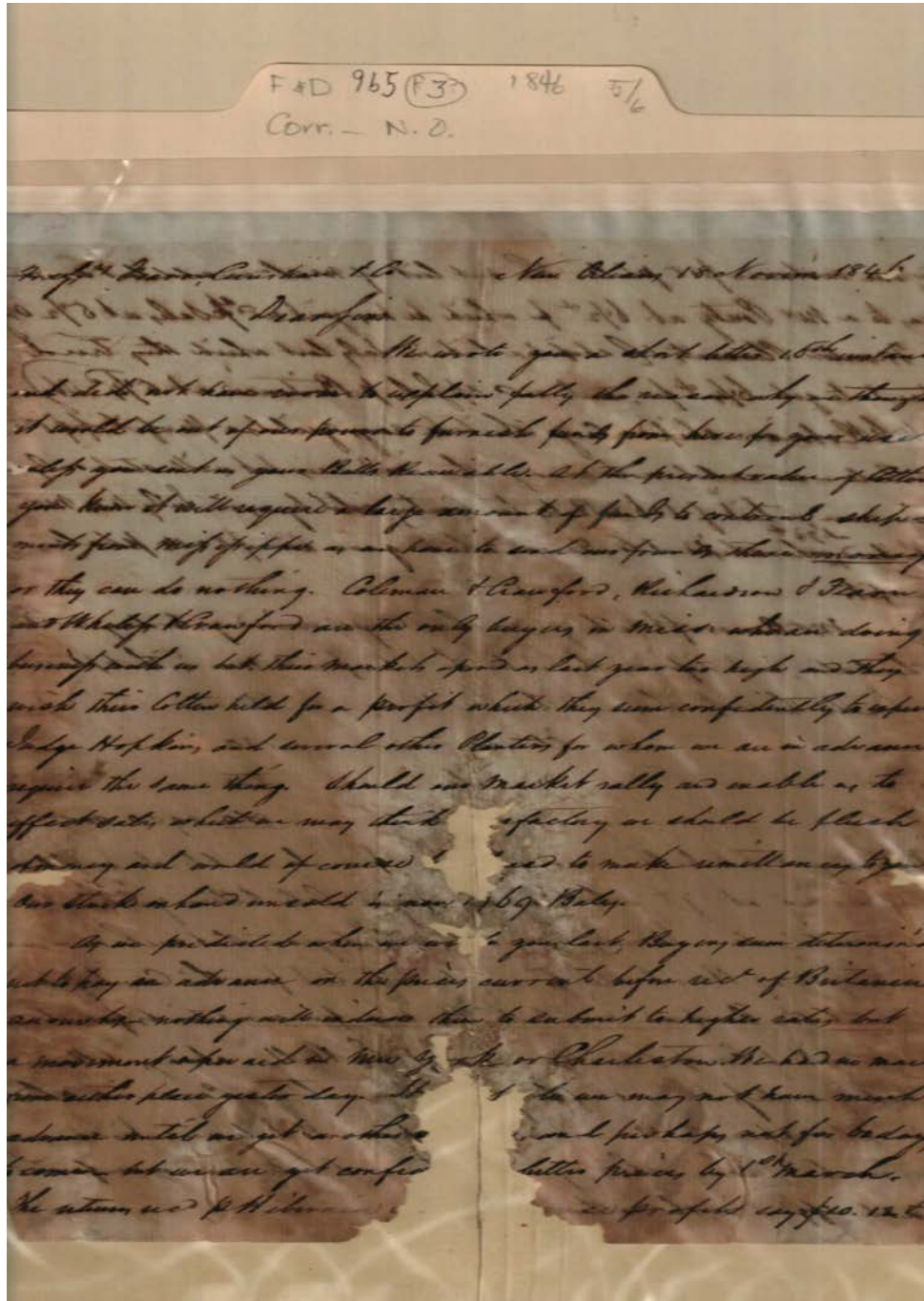
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Names:

Coleman & Crawford

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Hopkins, Judge
Richardson & Fearn

Wheless &
Crawford

Places:

New Orleans, LA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Nov 18, 1846

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 Corr. - N. O.

... in a ... for 15 ... the best ... of ... at 5 1/2 ...
 ... to a ... Party at 6 1/2 ... of which he has ... at 5 1/2 ...
 ... Martin Pleasants ... which they ...
 ... to get 6 1/2 ... and ... at 6 1/2 ...
 ... which he ... for 15 ...
 ... in ... but ... only ...
 ... of 516 ... but ...
 ... at 6 ... which gave ...
 ...

... of large ...
 ... and ... the best ...
 ... the best ...

Alabama	650
Florida	150
Michigan	500
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... but ...
 ... by buying at 7 ...
 ... they could do. It may ...
 ... quantities of ...
 ... but the ...
 ... of ...
 ...
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 ...
 ...

Names:

Bancroft, Mr.

Martin Pleasants &
 Co.

Richard, Mr.
 Robinson, W. G.

Places:

New Orleans, LA

Types:

correspondence

Dates:

Nov 18, 1846

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Corr. - N. O.

of their require \$10,000 down? Merchants among they could hold
instead list of Cotton receipts to date by which you will
on about 633 Bales.

We are got of the opinion that North Ala "Crops through"
old of here commencing 8c 8 1/4 + would according to handling
ginning and early or late gathering - say four lots for ordinary
8c 8 1/4. fairly managed 8 1/4. well managed 8 1/4. and
that while there is no ground to fear a decline, the prospects for the
spring market are favorable for an advance on present values.

Since writing the above we have by this morning mail
letter from Robert & Williams N York under date of the instant
2 1/2 o'clock stating sales reported of 1200 & 1300 Bales at 1/4
above, but they think more than that has been done; but
we have four paper accounts from some place of 60th. stating that
the Boston's navy had caused or not to be thrown on the market
and the market was heavy of the have nothing from the
Charleston or Mobile market this morning.

Intending to send this letter collection to Mr. P. H. S. with all
of this day business. To truly know, Crenshaw & Co
Old since writing the above we have had a letter from Mr. Charles
to inform us he had made a proposition to the latter who claim part of the
to purchase them at once and if accepted he will write to us in
Mr. Donegan for \$10,000 and if
as our Mr. P. would prefer
of \$10,000 for that sum from
will be absolutely our own

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Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Robert & Williams

Places:

New Orleans, LA

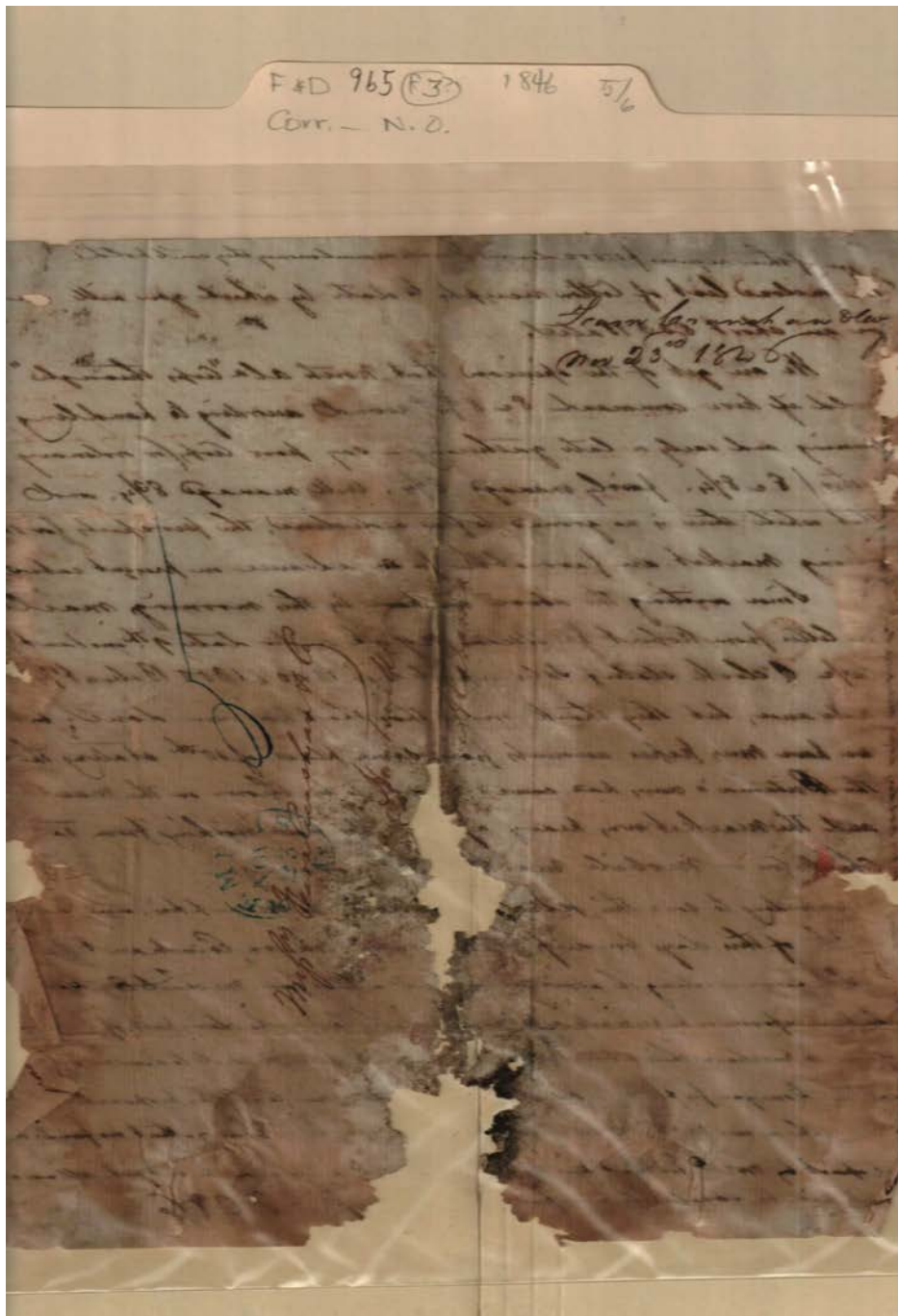
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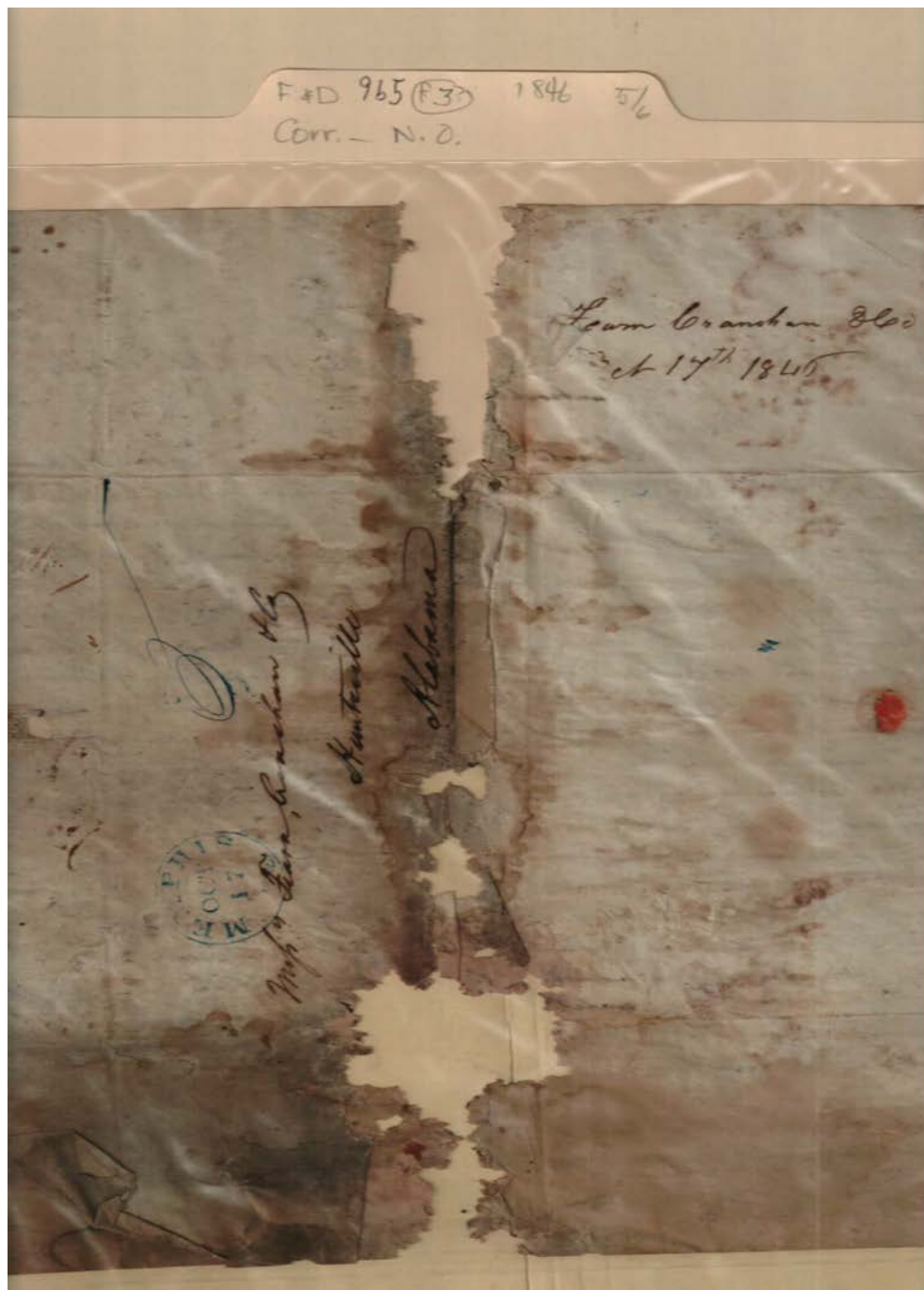
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Prof^r Fearn Crenshaw & Co
 Huntsville

Memphis 17 October 1846

Dear Sirs

I wrote you before the arrival of Mr Hopkins
 that the prospect for business here was so poor that I should be pleased
 if he should decline the arrangement. He has been here now 14 days
 during which time I have been with him except when making a flight
 to Memphis to see the General Court. The beginning of this week all the best
 was to buy of 5000 Exchange on New Orleans drawn at 3 months by the
 Farmers Merchants Bank of this place at 7/8 per cent for their own
 paper. The poorest and most irresponsible buyers here of cotton
 are command money of the Bank in letters of credit from Houston
 in New Orleans and of course will not take advance under such
 a margin as would make us say 27 1/2 per cent which is very little
 when cotton is selling at 9 1/2 c per lb as it has been here during all
 this week. The Bank are furnishing Exchange on the South at
 1/2 per cent which heavy tax - to profit for an individual
 operating on limited means. I therefore annul the contract
 with Mr Hopkins which releases the \$10,000 advanced by us, and
 Mr H. will perhaps buy a little cotton for his own account - still
 release when he can with safety or shipments to us, and do not
 be con in Exchange until
 little before which time
 I shall leave for
 I fear our business for this year
 from dissatisfaction of our
 to accept the very good
 as paying here.

Yours truly
 J. Crenshaw

Names:

Crenshaw, A.

Fearn, Crenshaw &
 Co.

Hopkins, Mr.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

Memphis, TN

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*Receipts of Cotton by Fearn Crenshaw & Co of Hills
 Lading from S. City/State to State*

Richardson & Beard	14	Forward	1252
Coleman Crawford	135	Merriweather	24
Goodman & Means	34	Hardy Dear	14
R. A. Parker & Co	132		
Pitson Miller	289		
M. McKinnon	1	<i>Alabama</i>	
Hertson & Lamb	16	Vigor Coleman & Vigor	92
In Duncan Co	4	R. Hunt & Co	55
Bills & Hunt	65	M. J. Murphy	5
W. A. Crenshaw	6	M. J. Martin	33
Bank of Louisiana	13	M. & M. Scroggs	28
Sam Bond	5	Ed. Swoope	78
J. B. Hatche Planter	1	C. J. Barton Bro	68
Cullen Barron	8	J. C. Gussardian	44
J. Jarman	1	Ready & Baxter	1
Whitely & Crawford	35	J. W. & W. Williams	74
D. D. Bush	38	M. Williams	41
R. J. Gatewood	2	Rich & Holding	400
W. Y. Collins	10	R. W. Crutcher	15
L. A. Puckett	16	J. A. Patterson	88
M. Atkinson	21	In. H. Adkins	57
D. Waddell	25	Sam Hatton	25
W. J. Coburn	96	Austin & Hunt	27
M. Nair & Co	35	King Caldwell	16
W. Davis	46	D. Ewing & P. Moore	342
		Edward Robbins	13
	Forward 1252		
		Forward 1496	total 1350

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Austin & Hunt	Crutcher, R. W.	Hadkins, John	McNair & Co.
Bank of Louisiana	Davis, William	Harkins, M. & J.	Merriweather, C. S.
Barron, Cullen	Dear, Hardy	Hatche, J. B., Planter	Miller, Pitson
Barton, C. T. & Bro.	Duncan, John & Co.	Hatton, Sam J.	Murphy, J. M. & I. C.
Bond, Sam	Ewing, S. S. &	Hertson & Lamb	Parker, R. A. & Co.
Bush, D. & I.	Beirne, G. P.	Hine, R. & Co.	Patterson, J. A.
Coburn, I. & J. D.	Fearn, Crenshaw &	Holding, Richard	Puckett, L. A.
Coleman & Crawford	Co.	Jarman, S.	Ready & Baxter
Collins, W. Y.	Gatewood, R. Q.	King & Caldwell	Richardson & Fearn

Rills & McNeal
Robbins, Edward
Scruggs, J. W. & J. H.
Swoope, E. M.

Vassar, Coleman &
Vassar
Waddell, D.

Wheless &
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H.

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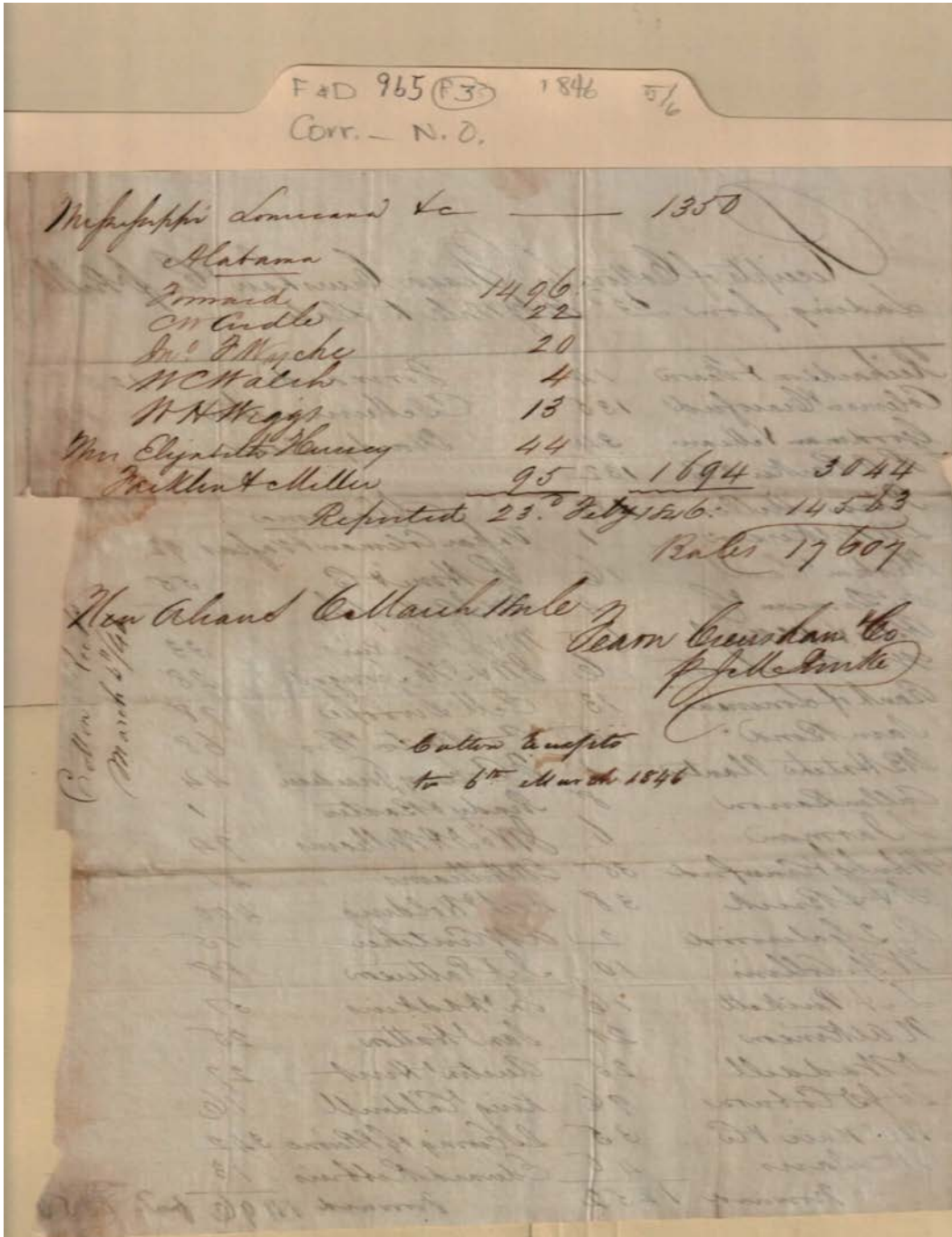
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Caudle, C. W.	Co.	Mrs.	
Fackler & Miller		Walsh, W. C.	

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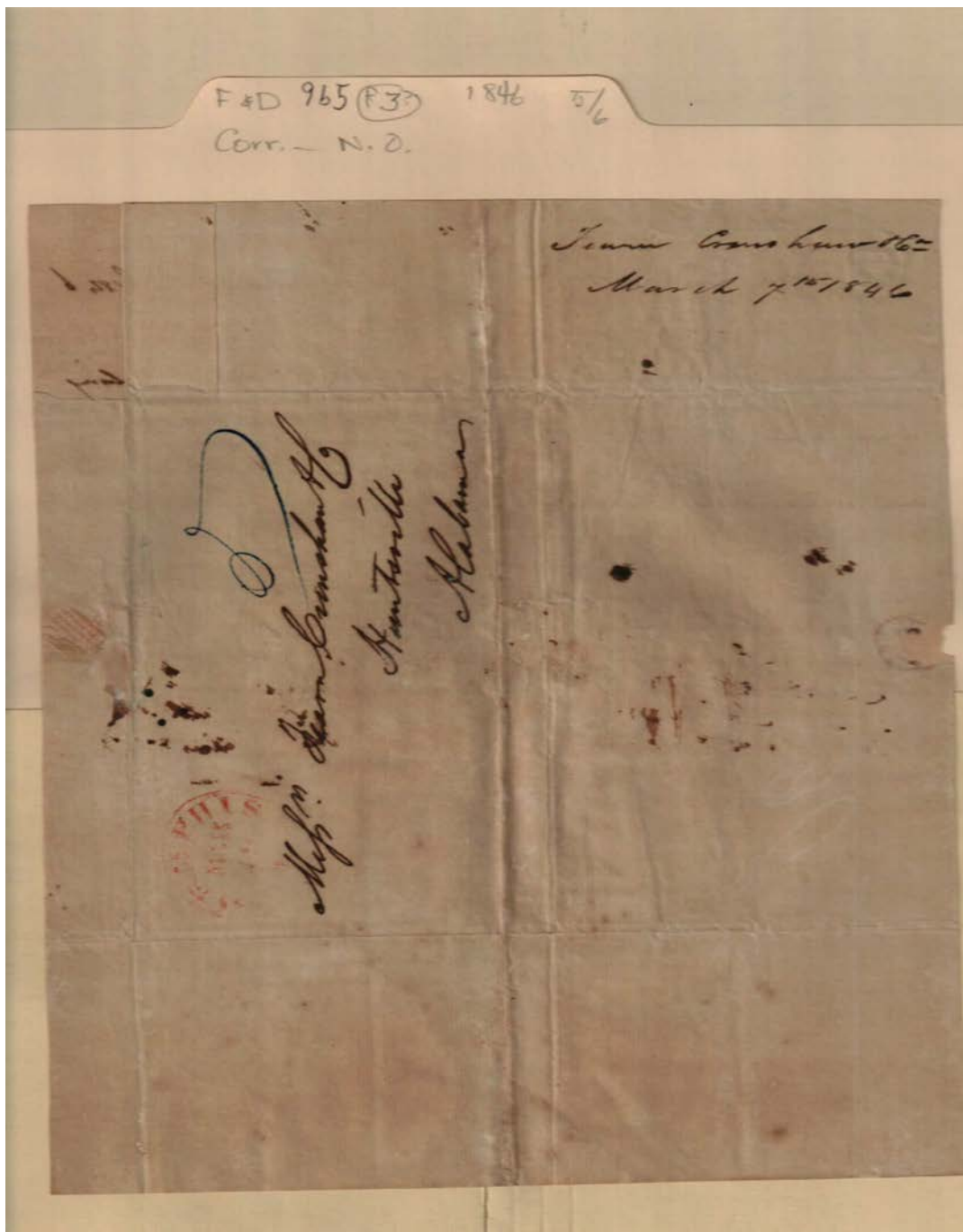
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Types:

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to Memphis

Wm. Fearn, Crenshaw & Co
Huntsville

New Orleans, 7th March 1846

Dear Sir

We write you today 4 Mobile incoming
bills of Exchange Robt F. Hays on New York, amount \$10000 & Co New York
to your order No 12239 for one thousand Dollars 60 days
12240 for one thousand Dollars 30 days
and interest herein secondly of same. They can be bought at 1 1/2 %
Discount but we charge you at par.

The date of letter at 2 1/2 o'clock counted up
3500 Dollars - will probably reach 5000 all told - prices
are, from what we hear about 1/8 & 1/4 advance since yesterday
day morning - perhaps most of them today may be under the
letter head tho' there is much diversity of opinion.

Yours truly
Wm. Fearn, Crenshaw & Co

Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

New Orleans, LA

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New Orleans March 7th 1846

Miss. Fearn Crenshaw & Co.
 B. C. Co.

List of Cotton charges here with - Balance sheet in an envelope F.C. Co.

We write you 2^d East. and have this morning yours of the 27th. We, for which all necessary entries are made. Although we have pretty heavy demands for cash here, we did not de-
 sist to subject you to the expenses and inconvenience of raising money there, that we conclude to send you two thousand dollars more by today's mail in the checks of Robb & Hoge on Farnsworth Nevins Townsend & Co. N. York of this date. by \$12240 for \$1000 & \$12239 for \$1000. Say together two thousand dollars, enclosed, pay all at 40 days stating bought at 15% dis. & charge to you at par.

The cotton market is quite bad again. The great falling off in receipts, now 300,000 bales, and the advance in the Southern Market, has produced some alarm, and many purchasers for home use & for the Continent, who had been holding back, entered the market freely. Towards the close of yesterday, it is said some sales were made at an advance of 1/8th on mid: & lower quantities; but this morning things appear more quiet, & we apprehend, that unless the English come forward (they are now holding back with their characteristic Bull dog obstinacy) the market may become quiet, until further news, the character of which will determine the future course; but we have confidence there will be no permanent decline - We sold a list Miss: & Ten: yesterday, good Ordinary to low mid: 689 bales, at 60. - Huntville & Wake not arrived, & no flat boats yet. Mr. G. & the writer are in good health & all promise to work smoothly to the end of our term. Yours truly
 Fearn Crenshaw & Co.

NY

Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw & Co.

Nevins Townsend & Co.

Robb & Hoge

Places:

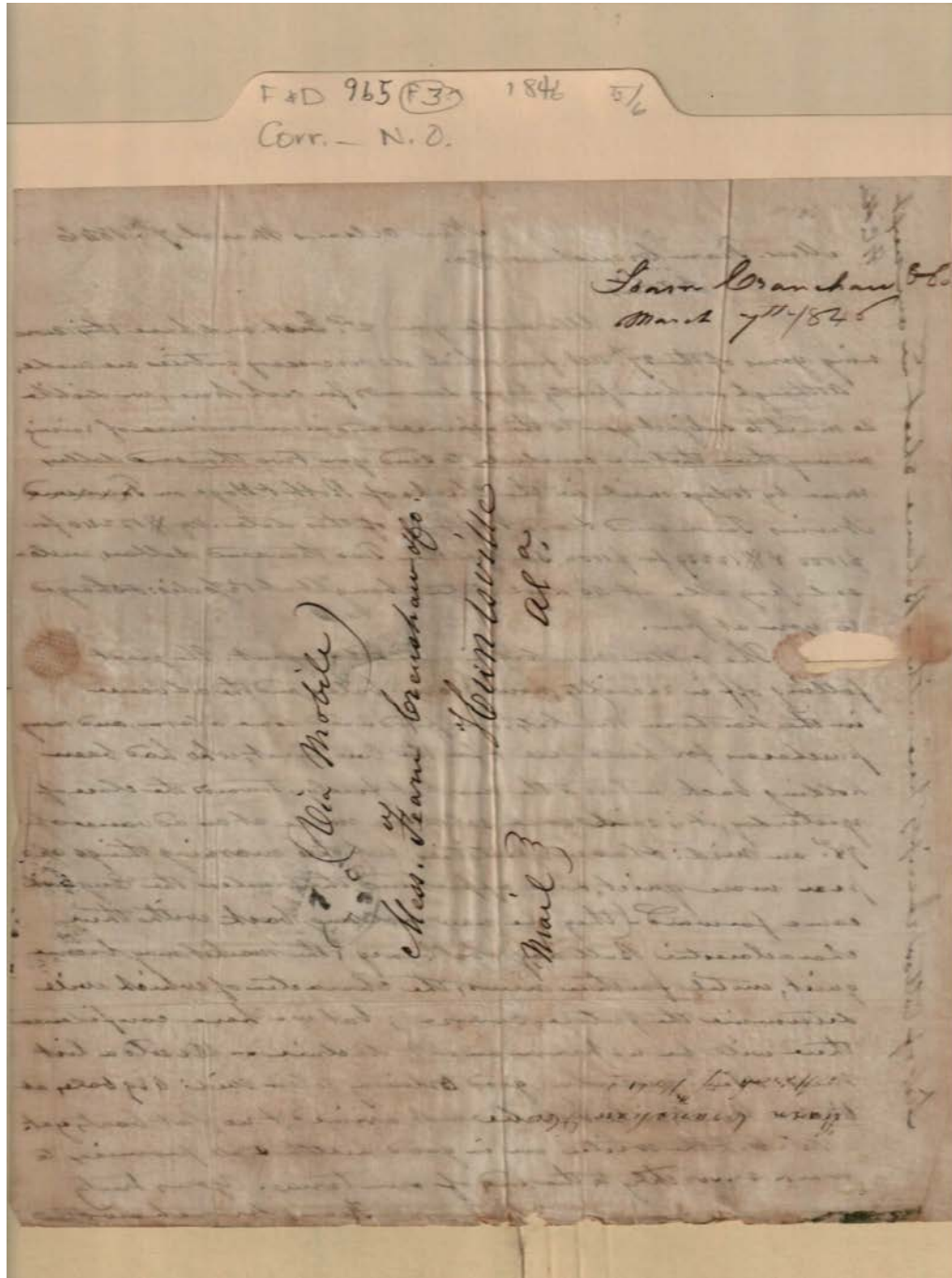
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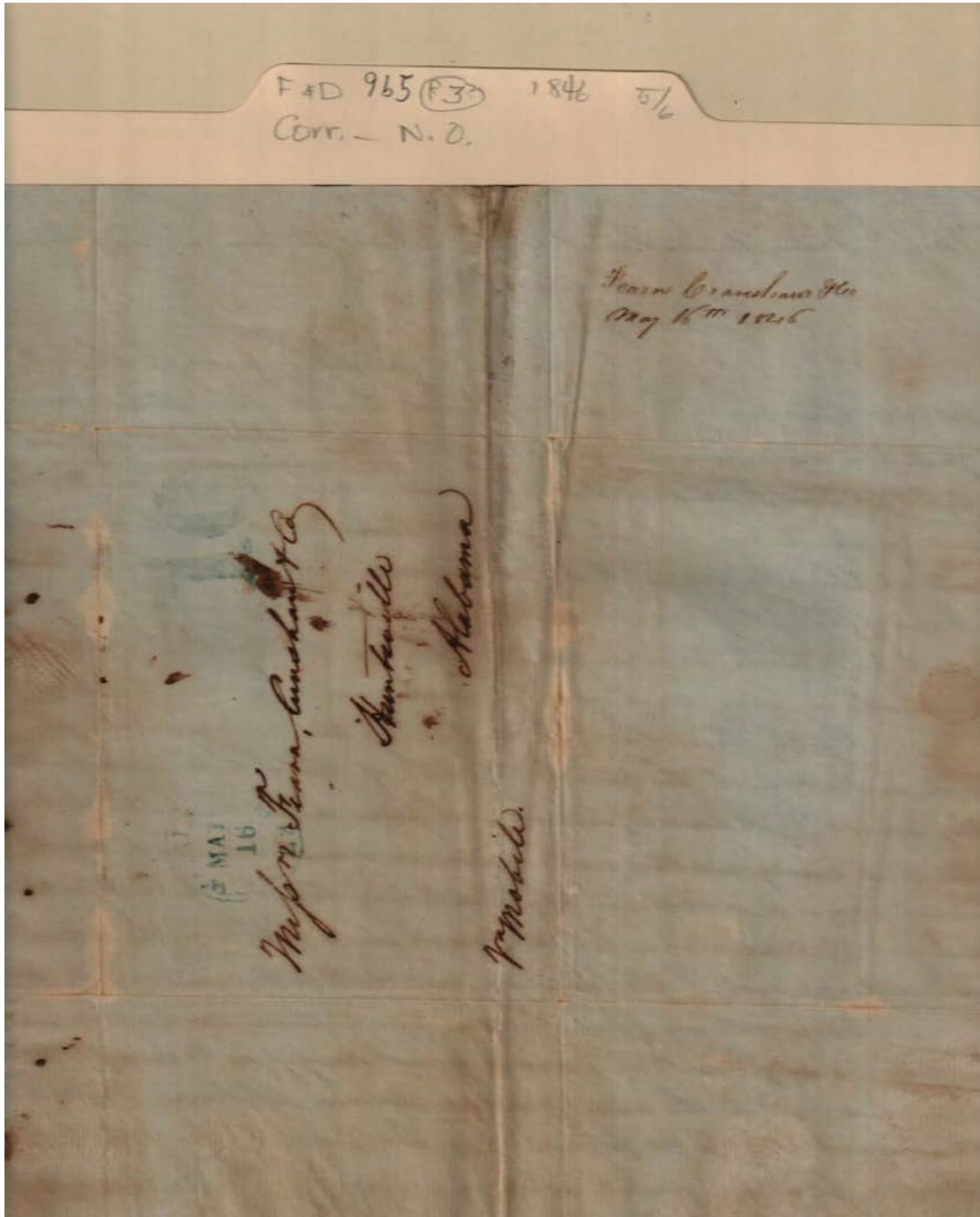
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Corr. - N. O.

Mess^{rs} Fearn, Crenshaw & Co New Orleans, 16 May 1846
Huntsville

Dear Sirs

Enclosed you have find of check
no 501. Also Conroy Jr agent on Cash Bank of the state of New
York this state payable to order of Kirkman & Abernathy at
eighty five five Hundred Dollars, endorsed by them to Tho^s McCreavy
as by him to us which says McCreavy wishes you to have Cash
and applied to payment his statement in the Huntsville Bank.
If insufficient to pay it with the accruing Interest, he wishes
you to pay the balance unpaid of him by the Bank. Second of
the check we will send you by next mail.

By the Price Current sent you by this conveyance you
will understand the horrible state of things here - so bad
they cannot get worse, and any change must be for the better.
We think money matters will improve somewhat next week
- indeed we understand the Banks have determined to extend
their line of discounts - but the great drawback is the want
of shipping - and high freight, and will be covered only by pa-
tience & time and we fear the accommodations contemplated
will be insufficient to prevent great sacrifices in many articles
of produce and the ruin of many Houses. Alabama Cottons
may be quoted 5 3/4 for fair average lots and 6 1/4 for good lots
which a fair one would not bring over 5 1/2. We have a buyer
looking at one lot of 2500 Bales for which we would be glad to get
6 1/4.

Yrs truly Fearn, Crenshaw & Co

Names:

Corsey, Peter, Jr.

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Kirkman &
Abernathy

McCreavy, Thomas

Places:

Huntsville, AL

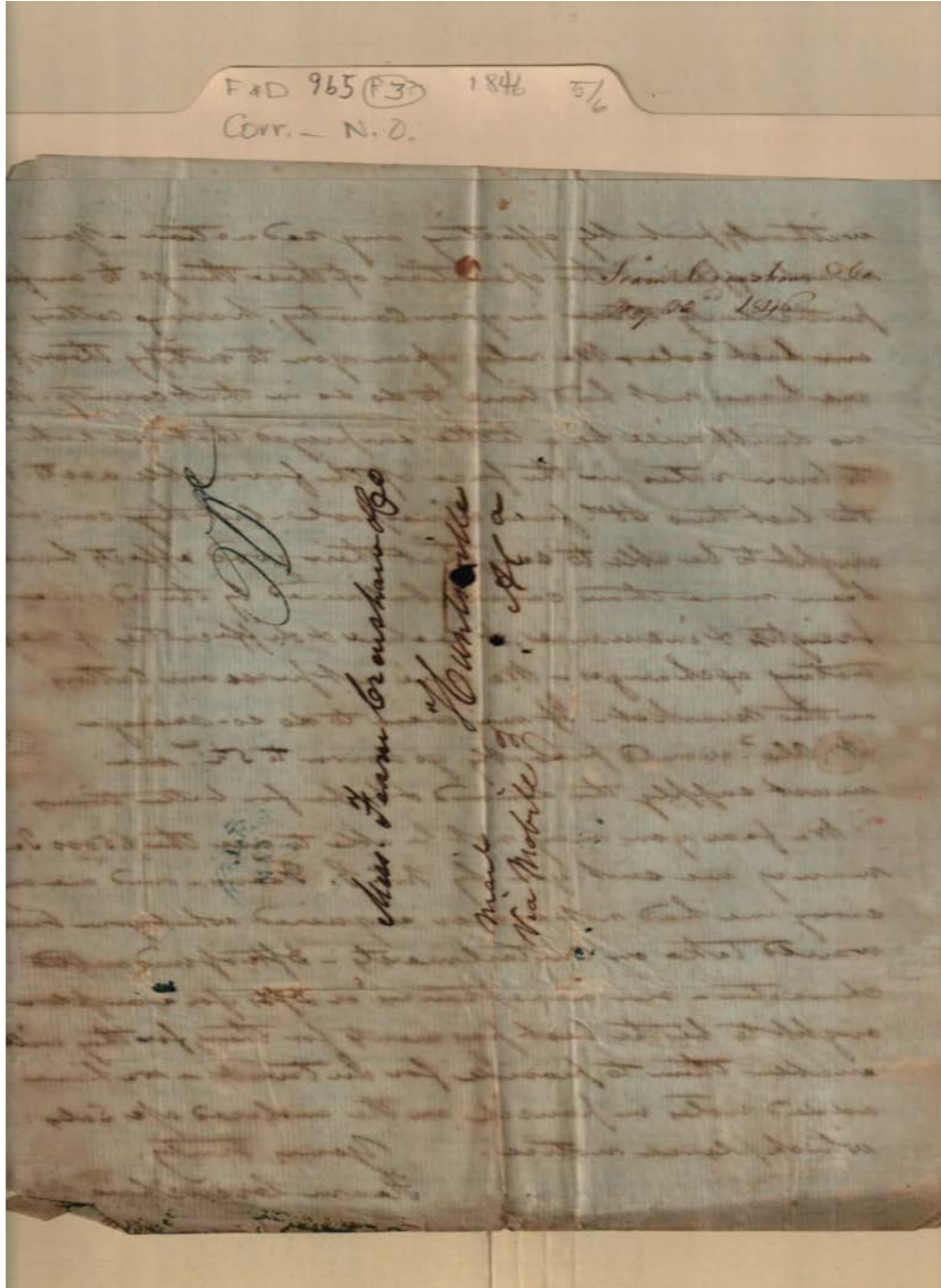
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Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
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May 22, 1846

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We have enquired into the freighting operations of Barrett
Ewing & Co. Barrett informs, that the business done in the
name of Lee Hill & Co. is all the business of G. E. & Co. What
was amount we collect or have placed in our hands by
the them on a/c of Mr. Ewing will be remitted as he
directs. - From St. B. Coleman we have heard nothing
about our Mr. D. claim - have written again to him.

We sent Simmons not to Corathers, Rison & our a/c
against him to Mr. Lewis, who advises us, that the
note to L. & R. had run out of date, but was renewed
with these station - with a promise, which Simmons
has reiterated in a letter to us, that he will ship us
cotton next season to pay them & us.

We are sending by the S. Bladen a refrigerator
for our Mr. D. in which he will find a few light articles
for the winter, which he will have sent to his house.

Major McCreevy is still with us in good health
expects to leave. Will Memphis tomorrow or next day.

We have nothing on coming up to say about our Mrs.
Kath. It is still heavy. Freightly the wind may go to sea.
The difficulty in negotiating of changes, is thought to
be not quite so great - But it is impossible sales of cotton
can go on to advantage, unless more vessels come
in. Indeed a fleet must come to reduce freighty -
If only a few at a time arrive, they will be taken up

Names:

Caruthers & Rison
Coleman, N. D.

Garrett, Ewing & Co.
Hill, James & Co.

McCreevy, Major

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without probably affecting any reduction - You must explain the operation of these things to our friends particularly those in your country, having letters in our best sales. We rely upon you to notify them, for we have not had time to do so in that country. They no doubt will be a little surprised that we submit to lower rates, in the face of the favorable acct. by the last time dt^{ts} from Liverpool - but they can, or ought to be able to see, that their good effects have been more than counterbalanced by the advance in freights & insurances, & decline & difficulties of negotiating exchanges - We dare not press our letters on the market - If we were to do so - average at 1/2% would probably go down to 5% - we must supply the demand & hope for better times.

We fear you may not be able to use the \$5000 I am sorry we had not sooner enquired what your bank would take on Certificates - dt^{ts} of undoubted character - our acceptances, or dt^{ts} for example - ought to be the best payments for them, for they will enable them to provide for Int^{ts} - we have added notes in pencil on the enclosed of a sales which please notice.

Yours truly
Fearn Crenshaw & Co

Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Fearn, G.

Places:

New Orleans, LA

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 Corr. - N. O.

New Orleans May 23rd 1846

Mess. Fearn Crenshaw & Co
 Gent.

We had this pleasure on yesterday & have
 no change whatever to notice in the state of business
 and none of yours to reply to
 Here with we hand

Wm East of sales & Sale proceeds	\$27.53
Do " " " " " "	821.66
Do - Curt. balance in his fav ^r	\$826.92
Dr. Geo. R. Wharton of sales 38 bales purchased	\$882.04
Do of Curt. - in his fav ^r	782.04

We have made no note of any instructions from either
 of these parties, as to remittance - Nor have we from Mr.
 Beirne, to whom we send by this mail of Curt. bal.
 in his favor \$2699.67. and have advised that it is
 subject to his orders at sight.

We shall by today's or tomorrow's mail place to
 your credit with Mess. Brown Brothers & Co. N. York
 Sixty three hundred & eighty four ⁰⁰ doll^s (\$6384.90)
 to be checked for at each sight & ⁱⁿ such sums or may
 suit your convenience - This being the advance on
 a shipment we are making for R. T. Archer - Unless
 we have a better market soon, and can sell ^{27/10}

NY

Names:

Archer, R. T.
 Beirne,

Brown Brothers &
 Co.
 East, William

Fearn, Crenshaw &
 Co.

Wharton, George R.,
 Dr.

Places:

New Orleans, LA

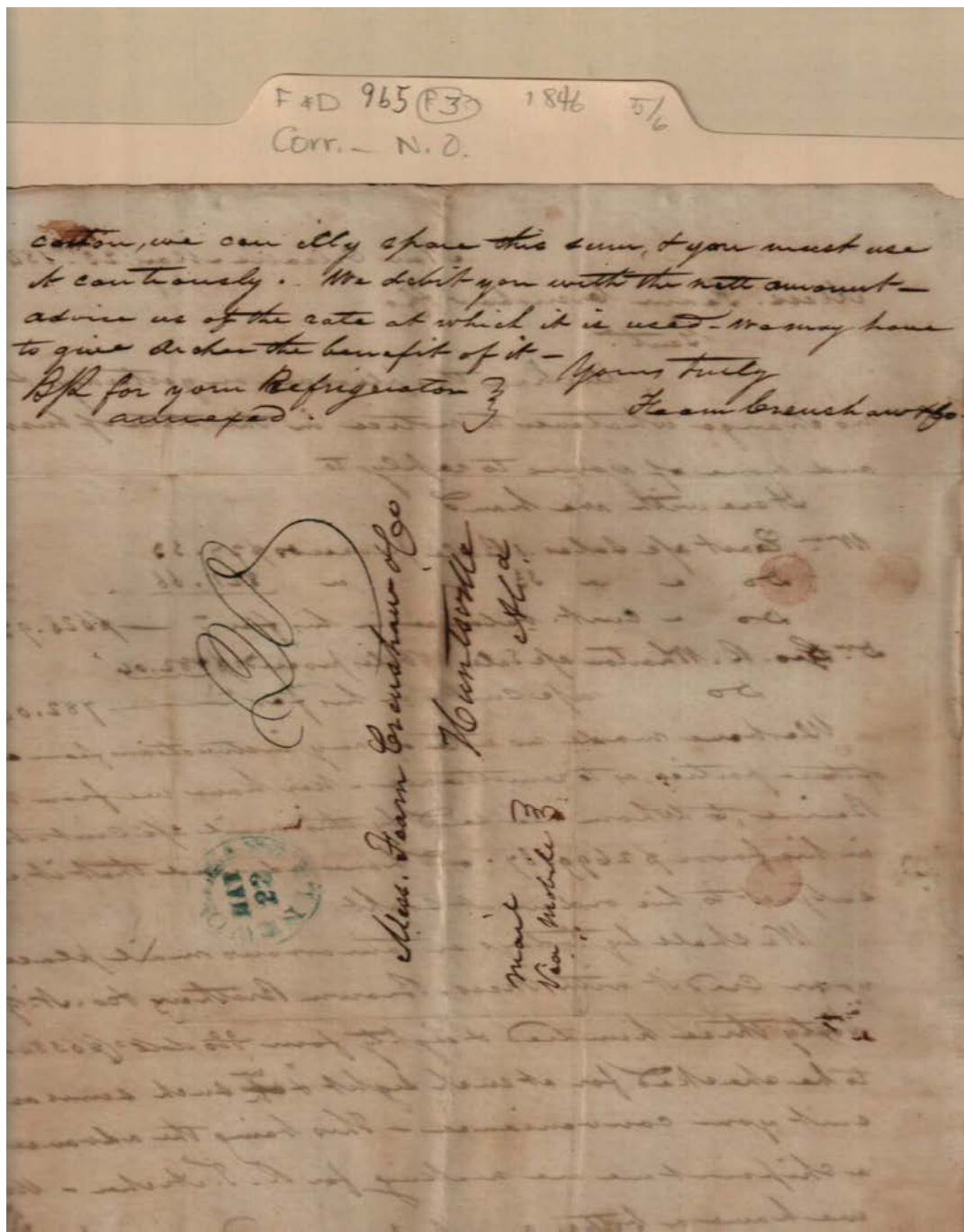
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 **Shipped,** In good order and well-conditioned, by *Fearn, Crenshaw & Co.*
on board the Steam Boat called the *Sarah Bladen*
whereof *_____* is Master, now lying in the Port of
New-Orleans, and bound for *_____* To Say:

J. J. Donegan *One Refrigerator*
Huntsville

Being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like
good order and condition, at the Port of *_____* (the dangers
of the Navigation only excepted,) unto *B. Merrill*
or to *his* Assigns, he or they paying Freight for the said
as customary

In witness whereof, the Master or Clerk of the said Steam Boat hath
affirmed to *_____* Bills of Lading, all of this tenor and date: one of which
being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Dated in NEW-ORLEANS, this *20th* day of *May* 1846
J. B. Boggs

Names:

Boggs, John B.
Donegan, J. J.

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Merrill, B.

Places:

Huntsville, AL

New Orleans, LA

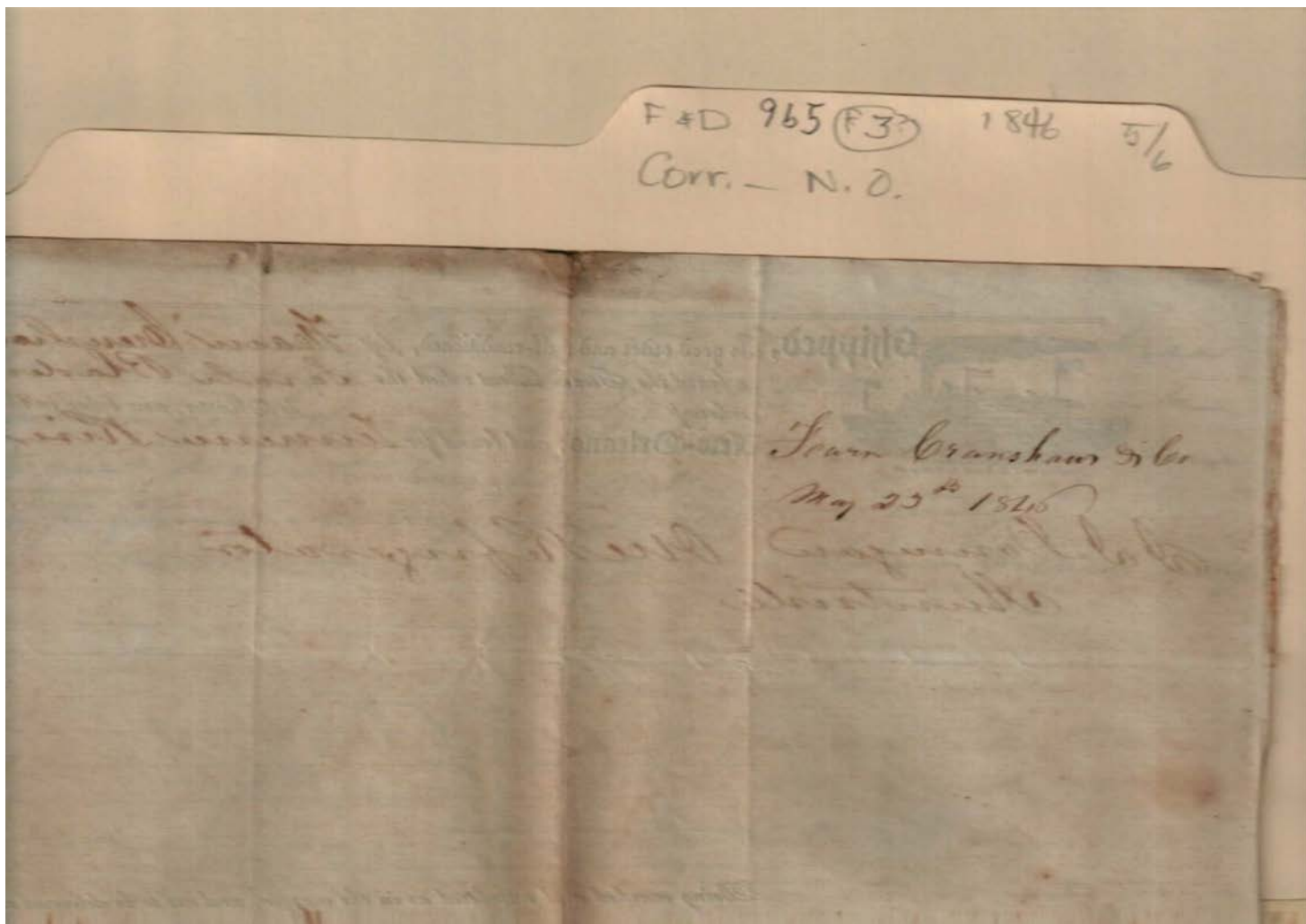
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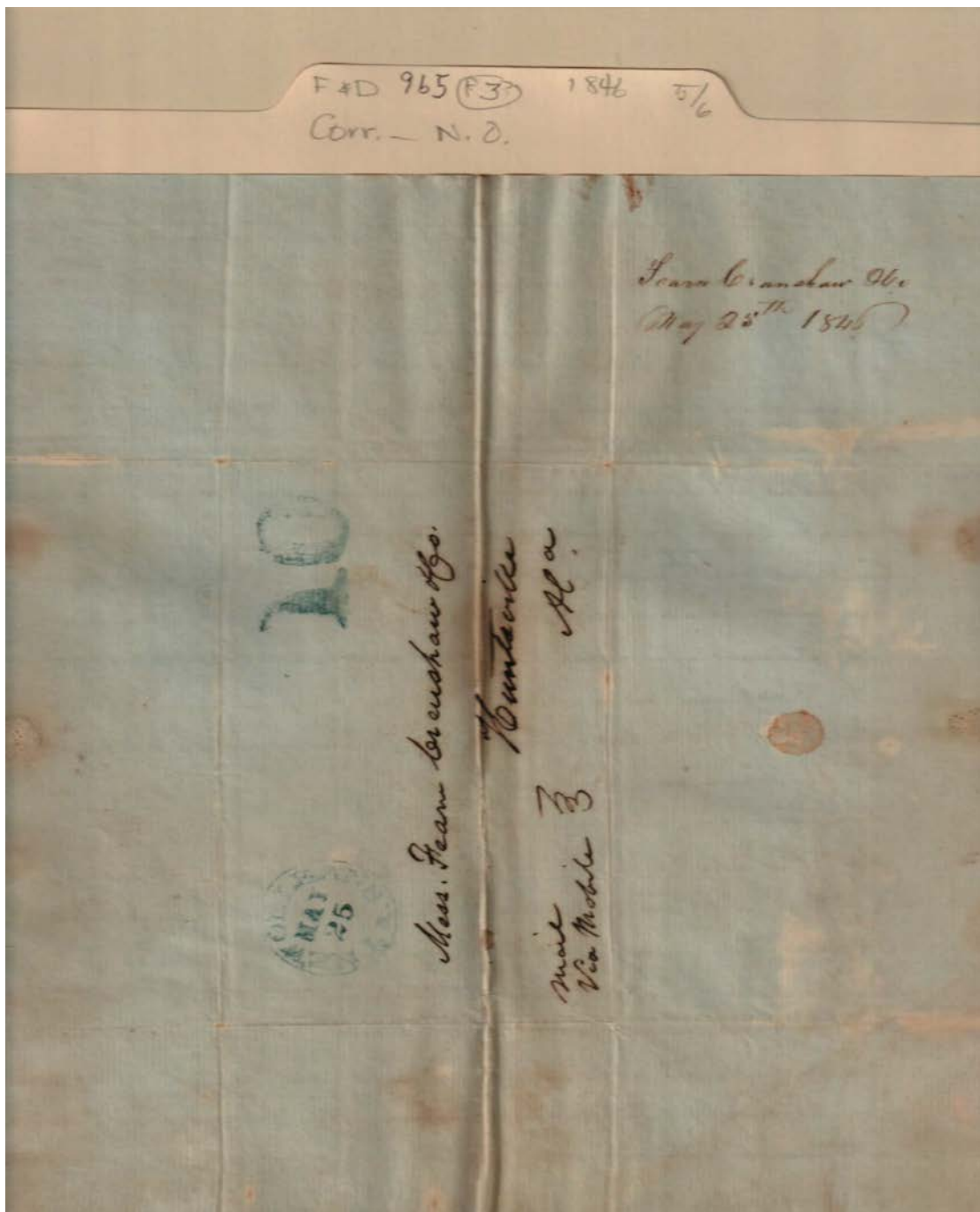
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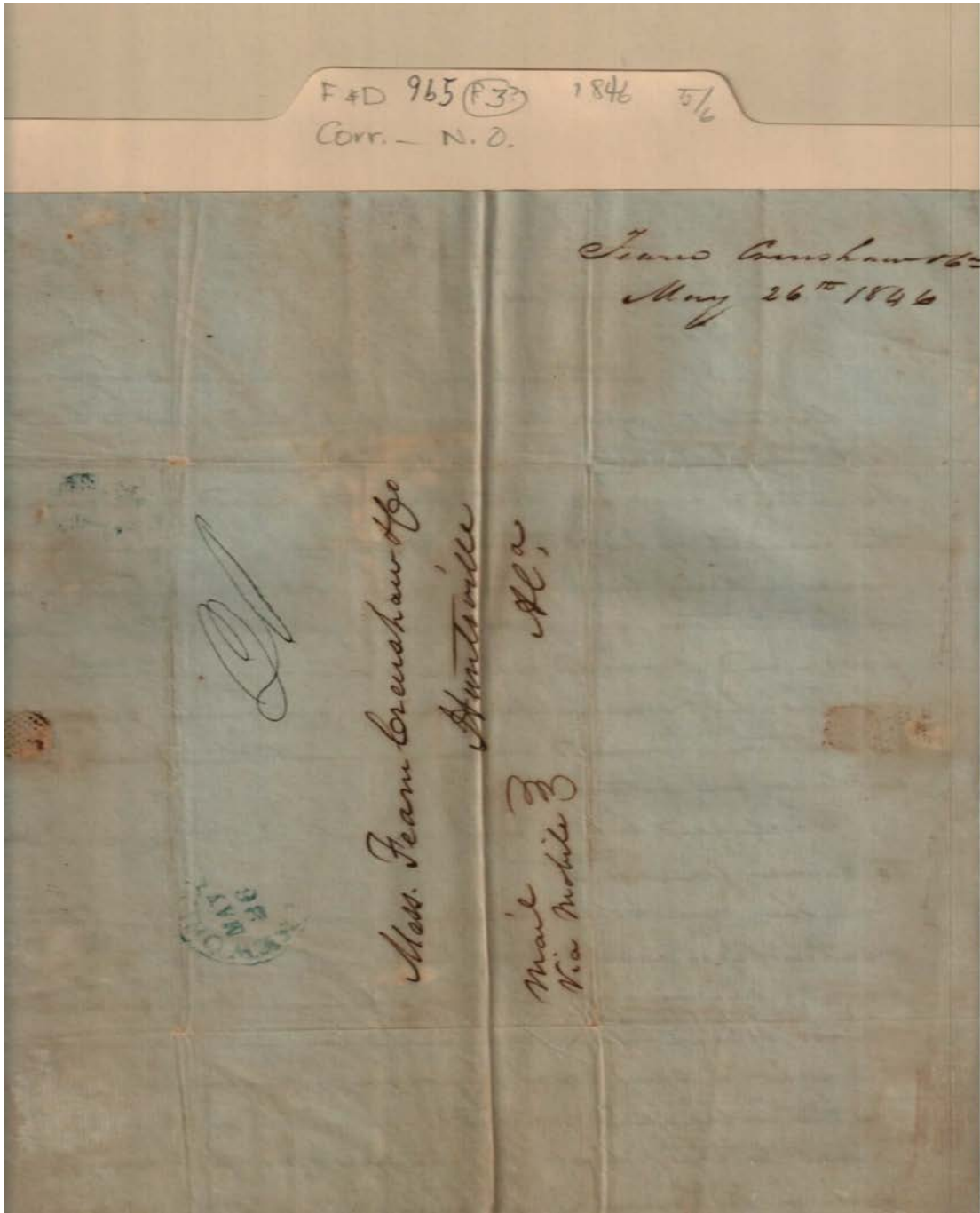
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Corr. - N.O.

New Orleans May 26th 1846

Mess. Fearn Crenshaw & Co
D. S. C.

Although we wrote you twice yesterday we hesitate to reply to yours of 18th. Just to hand. particularly in relation to Tho^s. R. Williams business. His cotton is now all sold, & all the hay and will be as to the quantity of his cotton. We think, however, he will have a surplus, after paying his acct. here, an amount of his cotton, say \$200 & an freight of \$400 = small \$600 - and it would not be safe to exceed this.

To Tho^s. L. Owens - you may advance \$600 - His cotton is unsold & we cannot then give such a close an estimate.

Enclosed we hand a list of Cottons rec^d & to come forward.

The market has been more active yesterday & Saturday - about 4000 bales reported yesterday, at steady pricing, but no improvement. The Easterly winds, which have prevailed for some days, has brought a small accession of vessels, and account for the increased activity. We look with some interest to the news by the next packet, now many due - Mr. Carey is yet here - gets off this evening.

Yours truly
Fearn Crenshaw & Co

nothing like you, the rest of the

Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

McCreary,
Owens, Thomas J.

Williams, Thomas R.

Places:

New Orleans, LA

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Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

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May 30, 1846

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Corr. - N.O.

Altogether day before yesterday the final pay ment on
our list of 1371, ^{bales of cotton} sold just one month before about
which we wrote you, we had some difficulty.
Orders from the Army by the Galveston & Co. I
Day, just arrived, left Genl Taylor in quiet pos=
session of Mathanaras. Yours sincerely
Fearn, Crenshaw & Co.
the Master p. the Master

Mexican-American War news

Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Taylor, Gen'l

Places:

New Orleans, LA

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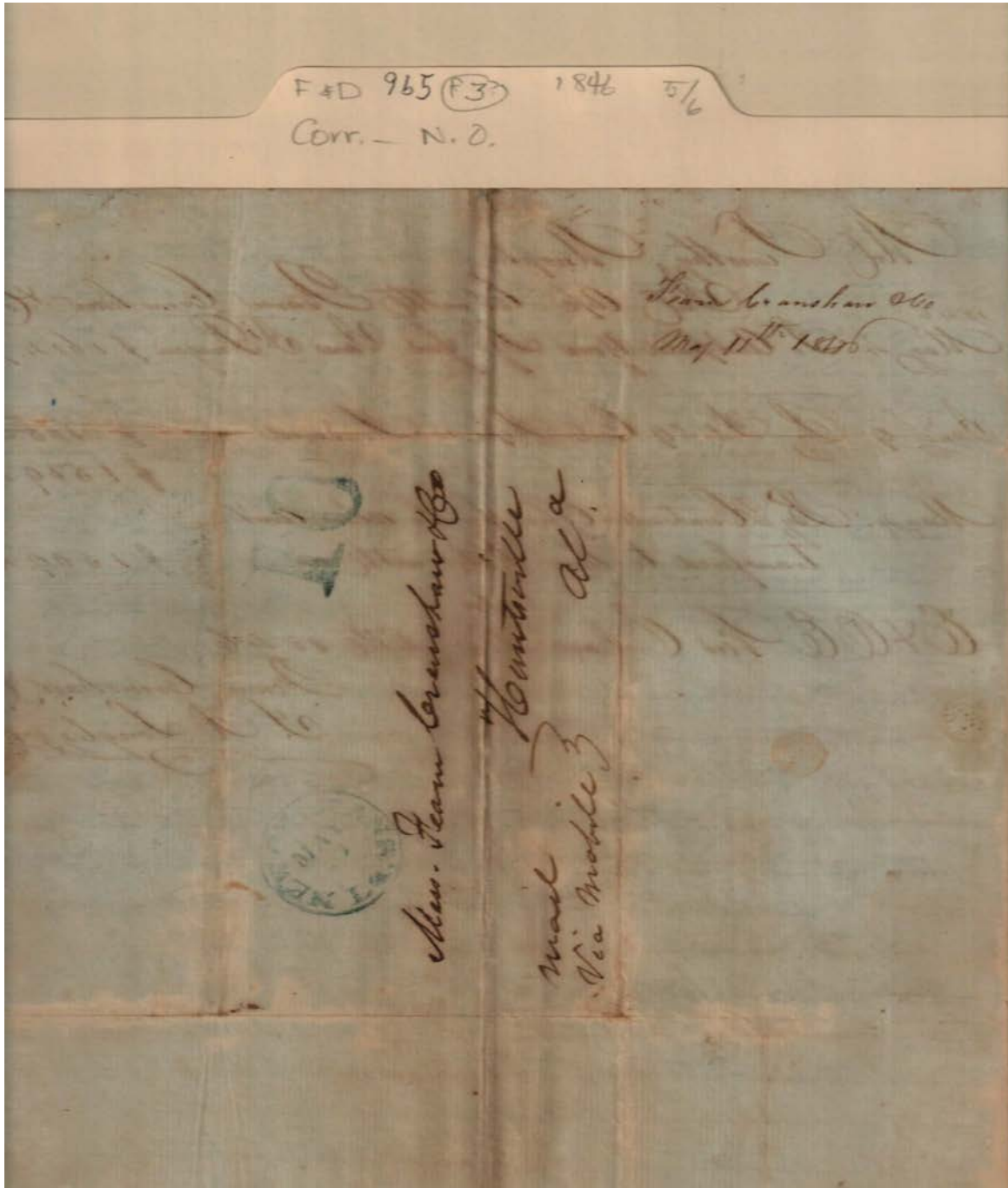
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New Orleans May 11th 1846

Messrs. Fearn Crenshaw & Co
D. C. S.

We wrote you on Saturday & have by yesterday's mail yours of 1st. All necessary entries will be made. We concur with you in the propriety of accommodating our good & punctual friends - undoubted ones - to aid in their Bank operations - Will see what can be done when the ^{Cambridge} Calcutta news gets in - If we could sell cotton there would be no difficulty - How would Nicholson's check do - or Bank checks do? but you will have no time to reply - or to reply time, if you write immediately - for us to send them up by the 1st June. - Money matters are expressly tight - Exchange cannot be sold without various loss: - We have not been able to get half the pay on our list of 1376 bales sold 28th Ult. The party could sell Exch. We are holding the cotton in hand or enough to make us safe -

Annexed me hand W. J. Murphy's acc current changed to you to close his acc \$1509.47 - also acc Sales 20 Bales Cotton acc Dr. J. F. Wyche - \$577.01
" " 46 " " " Huntville B. Bank 1290.31

Our City has been all excitement since 10 o'clock last night, when the St. York arrived from Point Isabella Genl. Taylor had on the 3rd opened the way, without any

Mexican-American War news

Names:

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

Murphy, T.
Taylor, Gen'l

Wyche, John F., Dr.

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apparition, with about 1200 men, from his camp to the
Point - on the 4th. The Mexicans, taking advantage of
his absence attacked the Camp - our batteries opened
on them & in 30 minutes theirs were silenced - 700
of their men left dead on the field, & the town
of Matamoros demolished - Houses were not
left enough to shelter the wounded - Taylor
set out on the 6th to cut his way back to the
camp - a heavy cannonade was heard as the Lt.
Cock was leaving, & it is supposed another attack
had been made - The forces of the Mexicans
estimated at 10,000, & reinforcements expected.
Our Army is in a very perilous situation -
Our Mr. Crenshaw has been slightly indisposed
& can find to his room 3 or 4 days - seems well
this morning, but debilitated - The cotton
market is very quiet this morning

Yours truly
Fearn Crenshaw & Co

Mexican-American War news

Names:

Crenshaw, Mr.

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.

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Mr Timothy Murphy
1846
May 4 To Cash paid your bill for James J Donegan \$ 1614.75

May 9 To Do 29 Cents Ship as Standard \$ 105.25
\$ 1509.47

May 4 By Huntsville Office for the above Am't
transferred to this Debt with us \$ 1509.47

E & C New Orleans May 4th 1846
James Crenshaw & Co
S. R. Longley

Names:

Donegan, James J.

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Longley, S. R.
Murphy, Timothy

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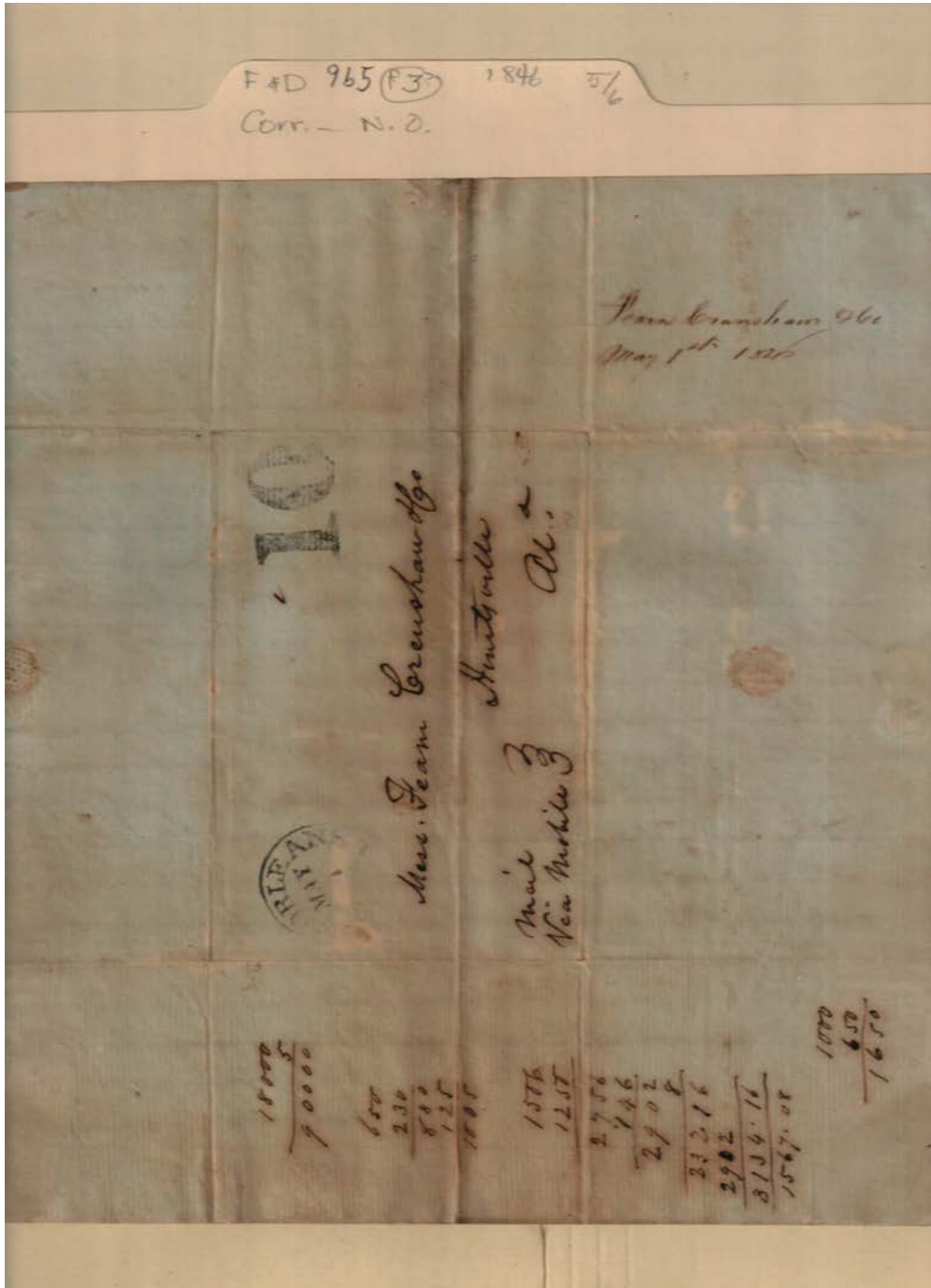
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Messrs. Fearn Crenshaw & Co
D. V. No.

We have none of your favor since we wrote you on the 1st Inst. - There was a fair demand for Cotton on Saturday & this morning, there is still some inquiry. This morning we closed the sale of 1333 bales North Ala. Cottons at 6³/₈th round. The quality is nearly or quite an average & we did wish 1/8 more but concluded, perhaps it was not to stand out - Have not time to give the list by this mail, but will do so next.

There is quite an excitement here - Drums are beating, flags flying, & recruiting rendezvous, for Volunteers to join Genl. Taylor's Army - He is beset in by a large force of Mexicans, estimated from 7 to 12,000 - His communication with Point Brechet cut off, & that point, where his stores are, in danger.

The war fever is not high & volunteers muster slowly - A draft will be had today, if the number is not raised without. - No news of the St. Martin yet.

Very truly yours
Fearn Crenshaw & Co.

Mexican-American War news

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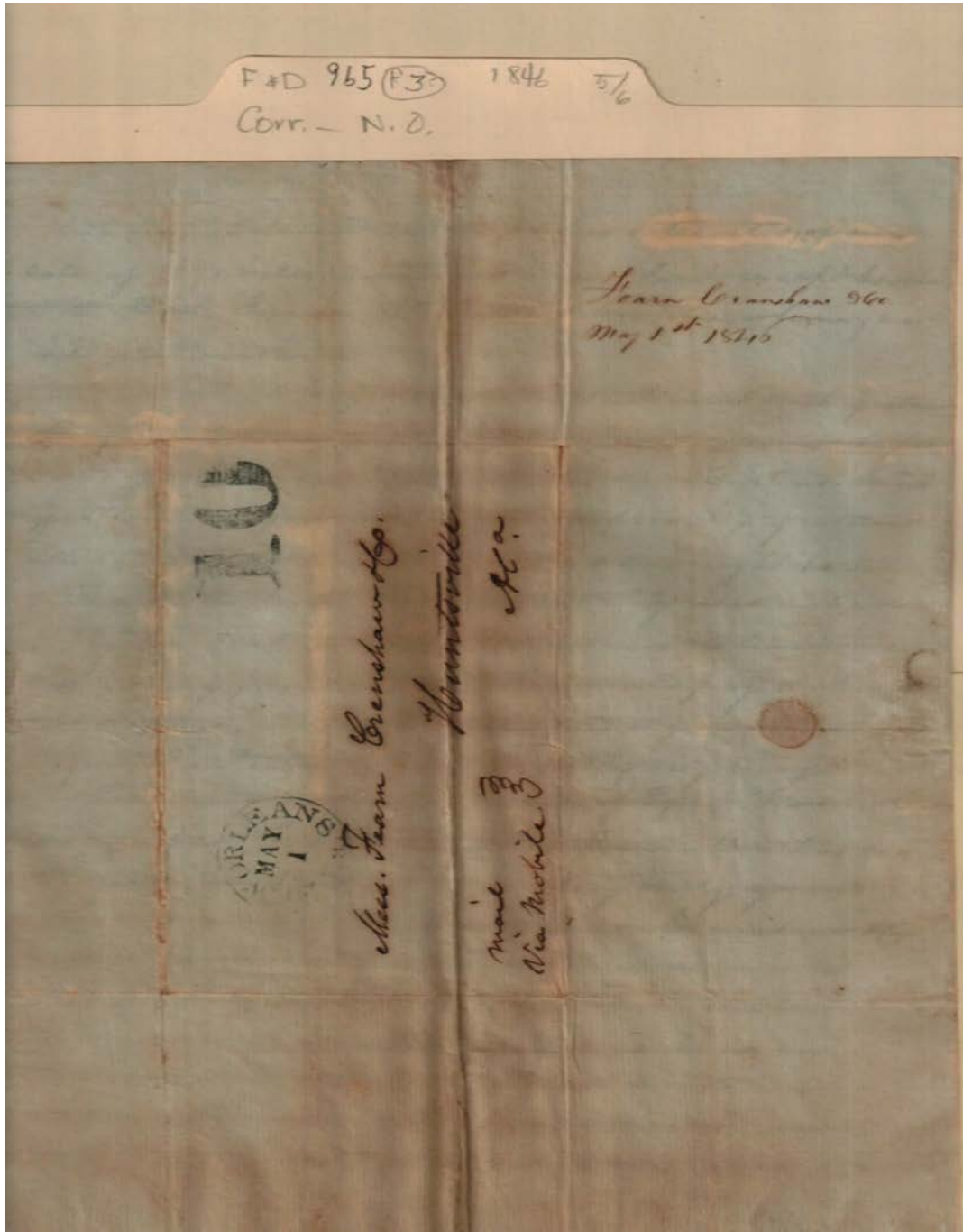
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New Orleans April May 1st 1846

Messrs. Fearn Crenshaw & Co.

L^{td} W^{ts}

We wrote you on the 29th ~~last~~ W^{ts}. & have
none of yours since. Since full accounts fr. Calcutta come
to hand, it is ascertained, that there is actually no improvement
in the Liverpool Market since 4th March - quotations being
almost identically the same. Some features, it is true, indi-
cate, that they may have reached the turning point, & leading
to hopes of better accounts on the 19th. We allude to the increased
apparent demand & a shade of improvement at Manchester;
but still we see no reason to hope an advance there which
will carry an average Ab^{ts}. above 64, unless some spe-
culative operations should be entered into, and we shall
proceed with sales, when that price can be had. Very little
was done day before yesterday; but yesterday there was
considerable stir, and sales are reported of 3000 bales, at
irregular prices - generally 1/8 to 1/4 below previous quotations
but in some instances holders think they got full prices -
Purchases generally for the Continent - The English still
insist on lower rates - Nothing would give us greater
delight than to see the burly John Bull, forced into mea-
sures - But as we have before remarked, prices must go
up in Liverpool or down here before they will
do any thing.

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We have advised all the parties interested, of our sale of 1371 bales, mentioned in our last, except ~~Battle~~ East, Graves, W. Battle & Crutcher, whom you will please advise.

We have at length closed the settlement with Yeatman & Co. for the 20 bales of W. East's cotton & collected the proceeds \$365⁴⁰/₁₀₀, which is placed to his credit with us. Mr. Yeatman & Co.'s a/c is enclosed. They refused to pay interest, alleging that it was a hard case & we might be satisfied with the principal, for that they were not able to pay ten cents in the dollar, on their old liabilities, but having promised this, they would pay it. We did not refuse, and indeed were glad to get off as we had begun to entertain doubts of getting any thing.

Enclosed we have second of Esq. Wm. J. Nicholson for J. J. Donegan on Brown Brothers & Co. N. York, for \$200.

Very truly yours
Fearn Crenshaw & Co.

Names:

Battle,
Brown Brothers &
Co.

Crutcher,
Donegan, J. J.
East, William

Fearn, Crenshaw &
Co.
Graves,

Yeatman & Co.

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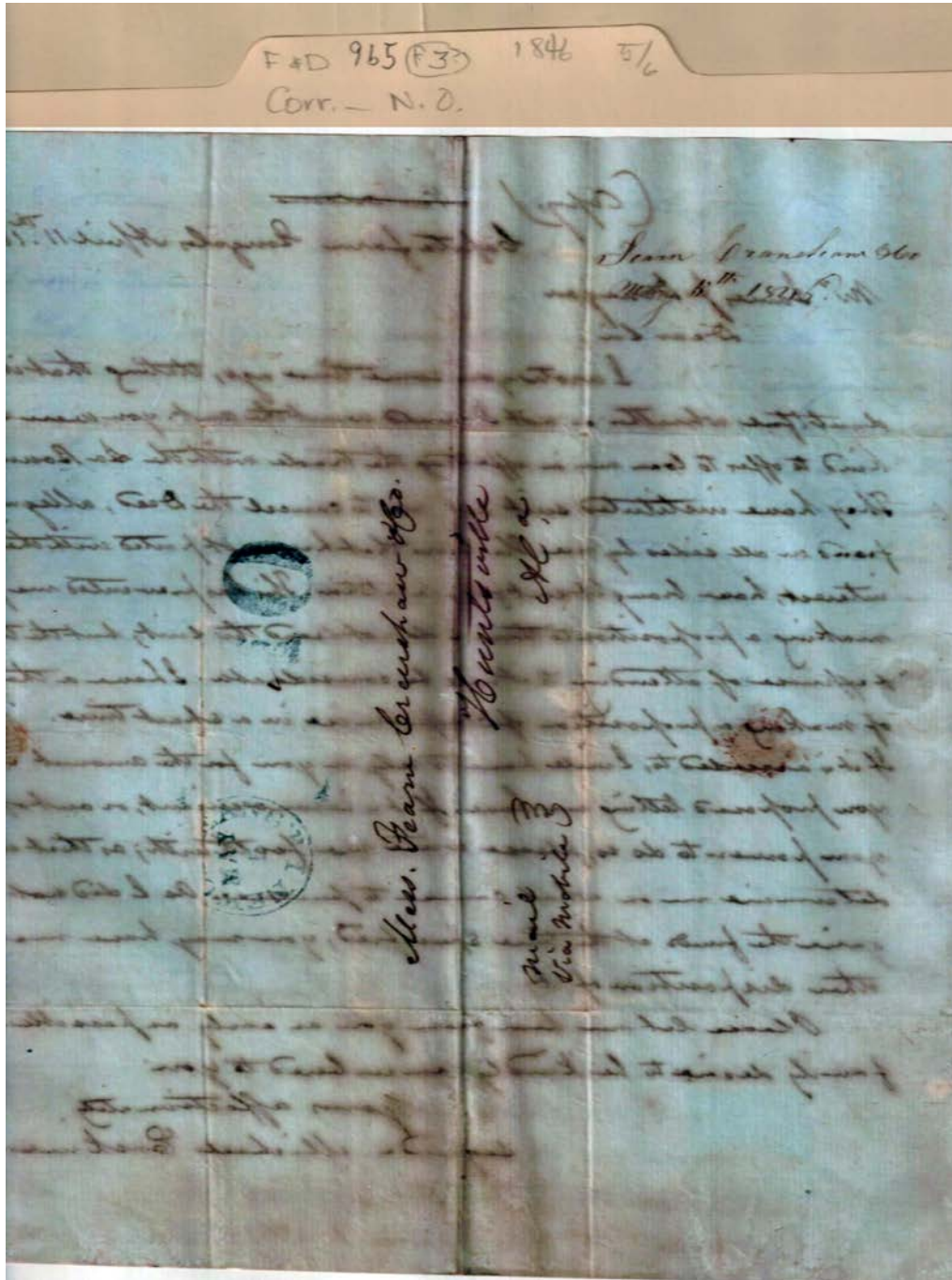
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Dear Fearn Branch & Co.

Sir

We wrote you a few hearty lines yesterday & have since more of your fair price. Arrived we had a lot of the No. 1 Cotton, which we intended having sold at 6 1/8 round. We had been contending for 7/16 more & would have been well satisfied with it, but freight had advanced so far to have paid with the probability of a still further advance, as there is not shipping enough here, & expected to take off the produce, & we are not to be able to take it, as our stock is large & increasing. We have a lot of No. 1 Cotton for L. Bonnet - consigned to Mr. P. Co. from the mouth of the Jaw. but no Refd to us.

The sales yesterday are reported at 6000 bales. Price more regular - We made sale of 77 1/2 bales, Miss & Dist. at 6 1/8 round, which gives us the full quotations according to quality. - No accounts yet of the Sp. Western.

List of 1337 bales also sold } Yours truly
 at 6 1/8 round. Yesterday } Fearn Branch & Co.

D. G. R. Wharton	38	W. Patton	=	95	Stephen Davidson	10
Geo. P. Beirne	110	R. Hine & Co.	129	Robt. Fearn	42	
E. M. Swoope	114	Chaney Crutcher	39	L. W. & J. H. Scruggs	133	
Vassar & Co.	53	Est. L. M. Swoope	97	Caleb Toney	64	
Fackler & Miller	75	G. J. Barton	61	Dr. J. B. Turner	56	

bales of cotton

Names:

Barton, C. T.
 Beirne, George P.
 Crutcher, Chaney
 Davidson, Stephen
 Fackler & Miller

Fearn, Crenshaw &
 Co.
 Fearn, Robert
 Hine, R. & Co.
 Patton, William

Scruggs, J. W. & J. H.
 Swoope, E. M.
 Swoope, L. K.
 Toney, Caleb
 Turner, J. B., Dr.

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 Vassar
 Wharton, G. R., Dr.

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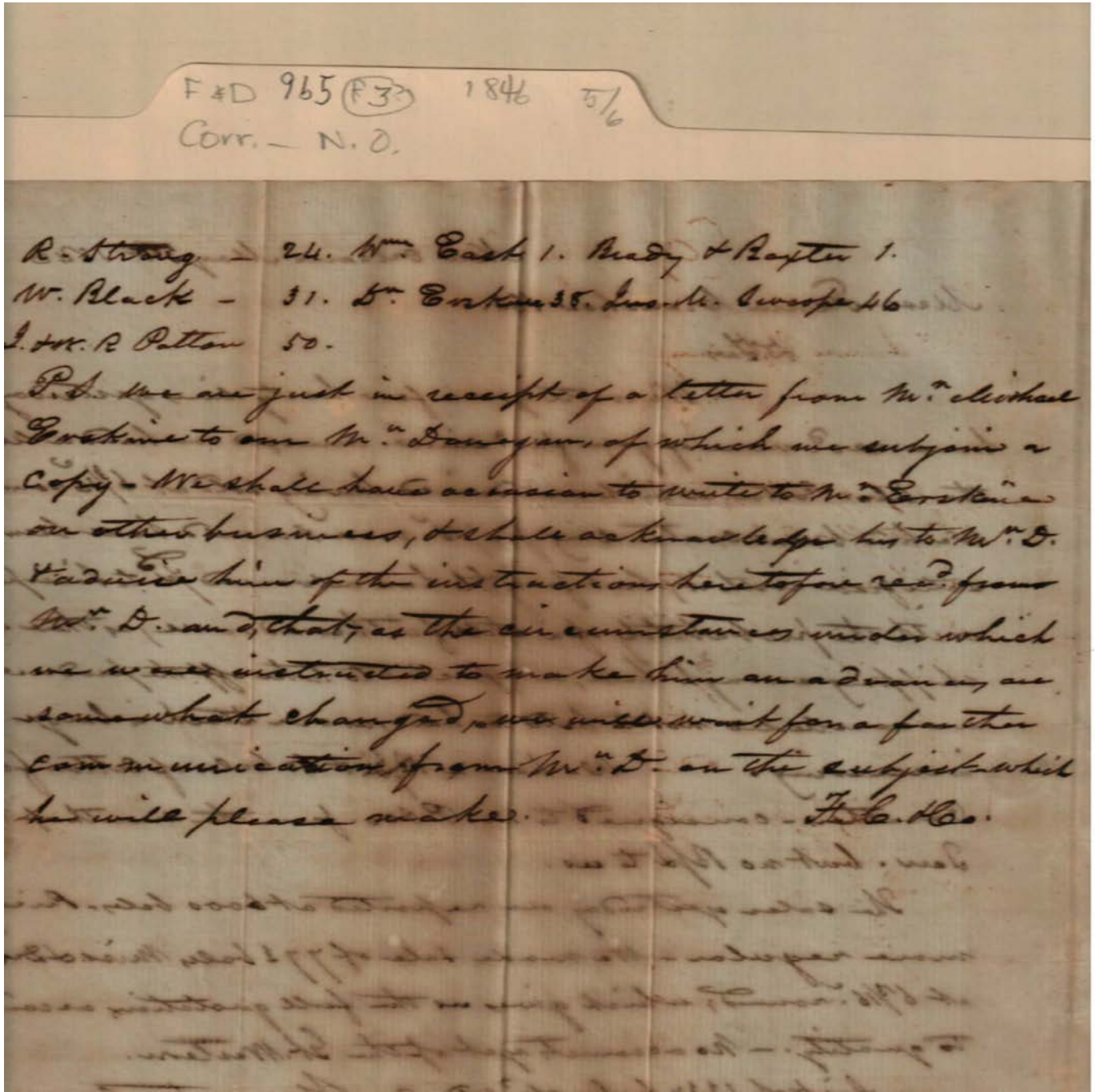
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Black, W.	East, William	Fearn, Crenshaw &	Swoope, J. M.
Brady & Baxter	Erskine, A., Dr.	Co.	
Donegan, Mr.	Erskine, Michael	Strong, R.	

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Mr. James J. Donegan
Dear Sir

I wrote you some time ago, stating that it was doubtful whether or not I would want the amt. you were so kind to offer to loan me, in effecting the trade with the La Bourne. They have instituted suit agt. me to cancel the Deed, alleging fraud on all sides by me. The heirs that have not parted with their interest, have brought suit for partition. This has prevented me from making a proposition to them. I do not dread the suit, but the trouble & expense of attending to it will be considerable. I have a thought of making a proposition of compromise in a short time. If it is acceded to, I will have to rely on you for the amount you proposed telling me have. If it is inconvenient, or out of your power to do so, please write me forthwith; as that will determine me on what course to pursue. As I did not require the funds at the time specified, you may have some other disposition of it.

Please let me hear from you as early as possible. The family desire to be kindly remembered to you.

Yours affectionately,
signed - Michael Erskine

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Erskine, Michael

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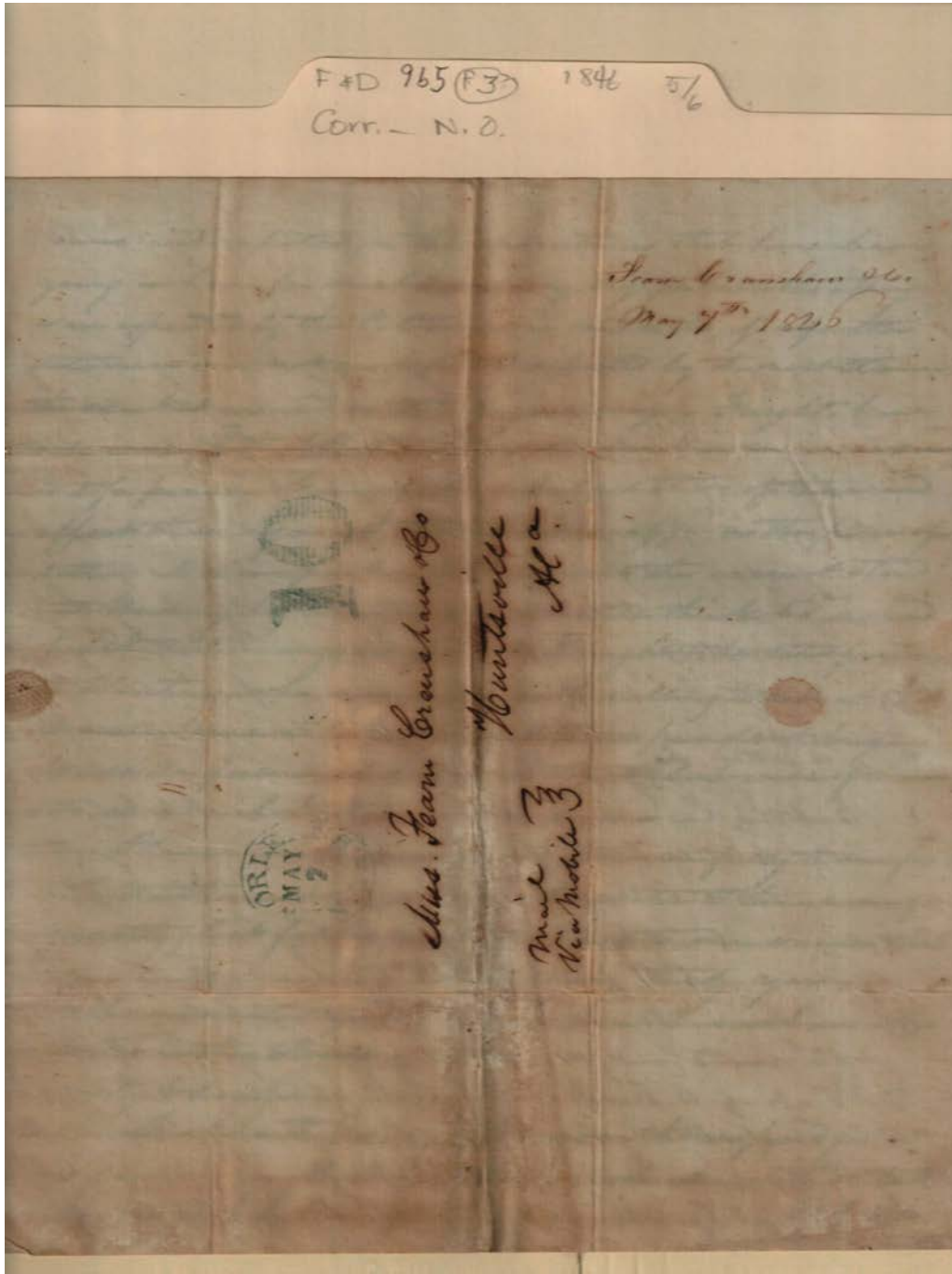
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New Orleans May 7th 1846
Dear John Crenshaw & Co
I received your letter of the 2nd inst. and was
glad to hear from you. We were up on the 1st of
yesterday & had some of your views. They were not
very particularly interesting to us, but we
wrote you a few lines, who must be anxious to know
the effects of the Gt. Western news upon our market.
Our paper will for some time look at but one side of the ques-
tion & take nothing not even the possibility of any thing that
can militate against their views & interests. They will
see in the Gt. Western a more favorable view of
trade & money matters in England than we do. It is
consequently, prices much advanced at Orleans 1/2
But this has not been the case - being it likely to occur
within a little better foreign news. The sale yesterday
accounted to loss below former prices. There of a lot
of 8 days and was sustained - one lot of 100 bales was sold
by keep at 6 1/2 for which 6 1/2 had been offered on the 6th
Last week we saw, the same crop, belonging to the bank
at 6 1/2 cents (only 12 or 15 falling off) from the lot
L.A.V. of B. Bank at Huntsville. 46 bales at 6 1/2 & 20
of the same date were sold at 6 1/2. These prices are
of the same date are better than our previous sales at 6 1/2.
It must be observed, that the same crop is sold at

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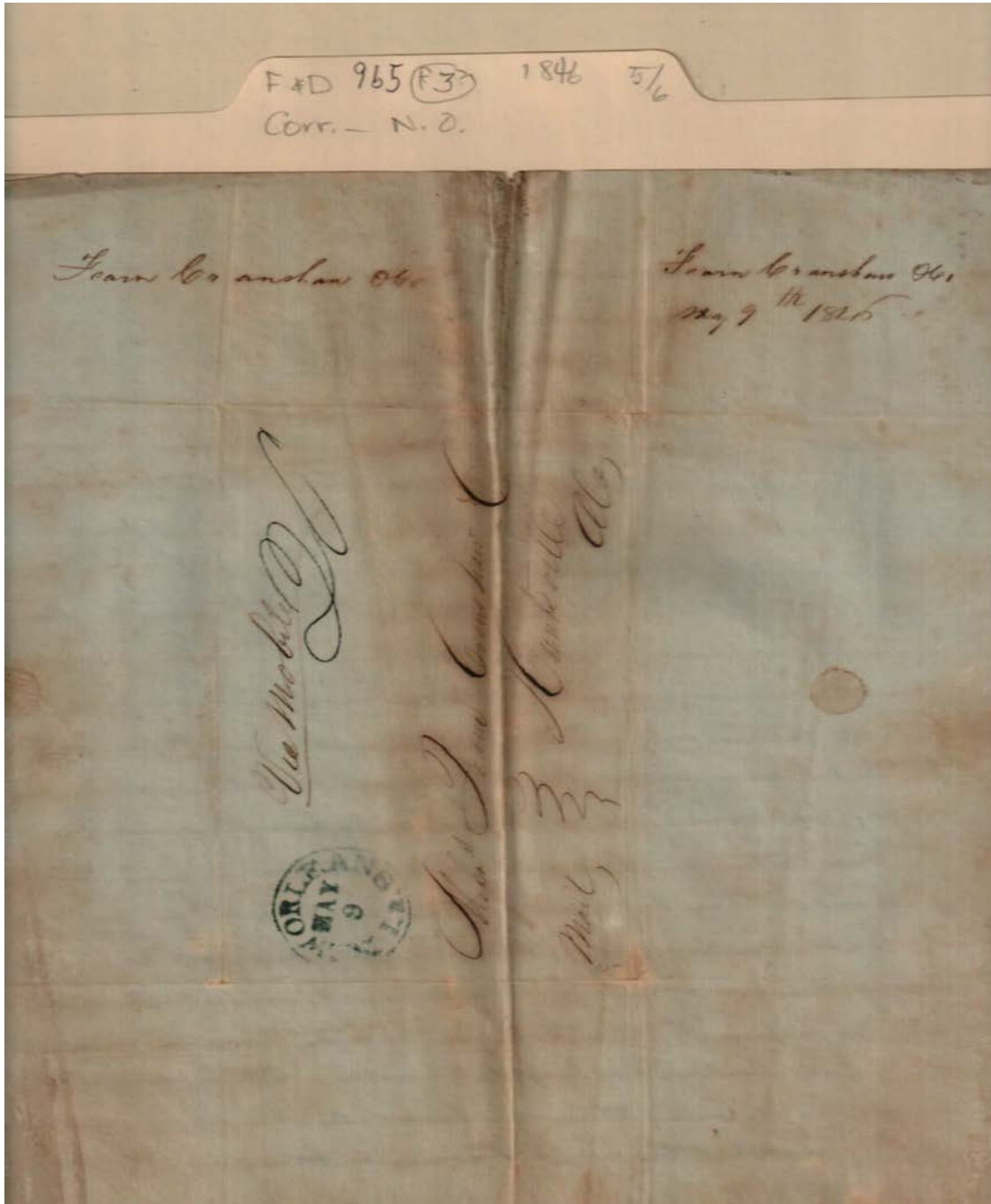
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New Orleans May 9th 1846

Mess. Fearn Crenshaw & Co.

D^r Sirs

We wrote you on the 7th & have rec^d. yours of 24th & two 27th Ult. all necessary entries are made. Enclosed we hand S. Nicholson May 8/46 for A. Erskine (original to him) & on his a/c, at 40 days date on Brown Bro^r & Co. N. Y. for \$200 - bought at 1/2⁵ dis - also Duplicate of David W. last years a/c sales. - Miss. Sumpter Prop shall have attended say to B^r. Newman, that the B^r. of Mrs. C. Cooper has been collected, we have not time to get B^r. before mail closes, will remit it tomorrow - B^r. Watkins having removed his bus^{ness} on his Cotton, only in the want of a B^r. from Pope, does he intend it now under limit? We ask would be glad of a reply, but would still if there should be a flame up!!

Our Cotton market goes on much provokingly, two for forward & three back - negotiations of B^r. are very tight - the Banks are doing but little - those having gov^t. deposits or being drawn on - Individual Credit, under such circumstances, impaired - We took for tighter times - H. Beardsley - also La. Banker - has knocked under - Cotton, if now sold would be 1/2⁵ lower than our last sales. Say average N. O. 60¢. - What the next steamer is bringing, all are very anxious to know & no news from the seat of war

Yours in haste
 Fearn Crenshaw & Co.

See B^r. for Mrs. Sumpter

NY

Names:

Barker, Joe	Cooper, C., Mrs.	Newman, Dr.
Bean, H.	Erskine, A.	Nicholson, S.
Brown Brothers & Co.	Fearn, Crenshaw & Co.	Pope,
		Watkins, Dr.

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New Orleans May 13th 1846

Messrs. Fearn, Crenshaw & Co
D. S. Dr.

We met you on the 11th and have now
your favor of 1st Inst. with acct. Crnt. which we have
had imm. oraly examined, and find there is an inter-
val from the date of the last previous acct. of 18th
July 1846 to the commencement of the one now sent, for
which we have no acct. Crnt. from you, and we can-
not compare with that gap is filled up. The balance
shown by you 18th July. your favor - \$1,158.39 - and the
acct. Crnt. rendered brought forward balance in your
favor 1st Sept. \$826.45 - If there is any intermediate
acct. we know nothing of it. - We have made cer-
tain corrections in our acct. which shows the balance
to this date of \$1,995.79 and if you will make the
entries on the slip enclosed, then our accts. will
agree for the periods embraced by you - but there
will still be a discrepancy of \$62.11 here to our c^r.
with you, by our own acct. than stated by yours.
(you claiming a credit with you of - \$1,995.79
and you (after the enclosed corrections)
allowing us credit for $\begin{matrix} 2057.90 \\ \text{Difference in} \\ 162.11 \end{matrix}$)

D. Robertson's article will be sent by the first
boat - I will bring cigars, with the first goods to H. H. Miller.

Names:

Beirne,

Fearn, Crenshaw &
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Robertson, Dr.

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Covr. - N.O.

All yesterday rec^d. news paper slips, advising the wreck of the Cambria - Passengers & mail saved - The advance of $\frac{1}{8}$ to $\frac{1}{4}$ on Cotton, heavy sales & firm market, would, under ordinary circumstances have produced great excitement here. But it was not even as efficient as Galvanism on a dead body - There was not even the appearance of momentary animation. A lifeless apathy prevails - and men look in at one another as certain what will be the issue of the present state of things - Freights, you are aware have been advancing - now may be set down at $\frac{1}{2}$ - they not stop there - Insurance $\frac{3}{4}$ in Am^l. Vessels - But even worse than these, Exchange cannot be sold, except by a few undoubted drawers, & then at a heavy ^{rate of} discount. In 4 or 5 days - it has gone down $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ - light checks on N.Y. were $\frac{1}{2}$ for $\frac{1}{2}$ - now $\frac{1}{2}$ for $\frac{1}{2}$ in 5 days. And distrust is shown on every side - Some who have bought cotton are unable to negotiate & can't pay. The causes which have led to this, so far as we are able to investigate them are as follows - Last week the Gov^t. checked on their deposit bank (the Canal) for some say, \$300,000 - stopped their operations - they then controlled his bank to stop all purchases on discounts & the others did not dare to move, lest their paper would find its way into the hands of a call for specie

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at hand to stop them. All were reigned up in a moment
by the Money King - Old Ben. who is speculated in every corner
and many even think, that he is in league with one or
two other capitalists to depress the price of Cotton, so as
to make a handsome speculation. You will see from the
P. O. the effects - Cotton 1/4 lower & nothing doing at that
Now, you will be anxious to know how we are getting
along. Well, we can weather the storm for some weeks;
but can contract no new liability, until we can see things
and either have specie sent from the east, or our Banks
relax. Our list of 1371 sets 28th April - has only 7000 dolls
yet paid on it - We are holding on for our own security
but that does not bring the money - A. L. Addison
& Co. the purchasers - are we are very well satisfied, honest
& honorable, & have bought to fill an order for Antwerp,
but they are known to be weak, & hence their difficulty
in such times of selling Exch. - You will be able to
judge from these facts, how far & where, we can aid our
friends in their Bank payments - We cannot send you any
checks until we can sell Cotton - and to sell now, before
the market opens & the money, are cleared out of the
way, would be to sacrifice - Those who have cotton
with us can draw at 60 days - but advances in next
season must be ventured on with the utmost caution
& when unavoidable to undoubted means - But think a war

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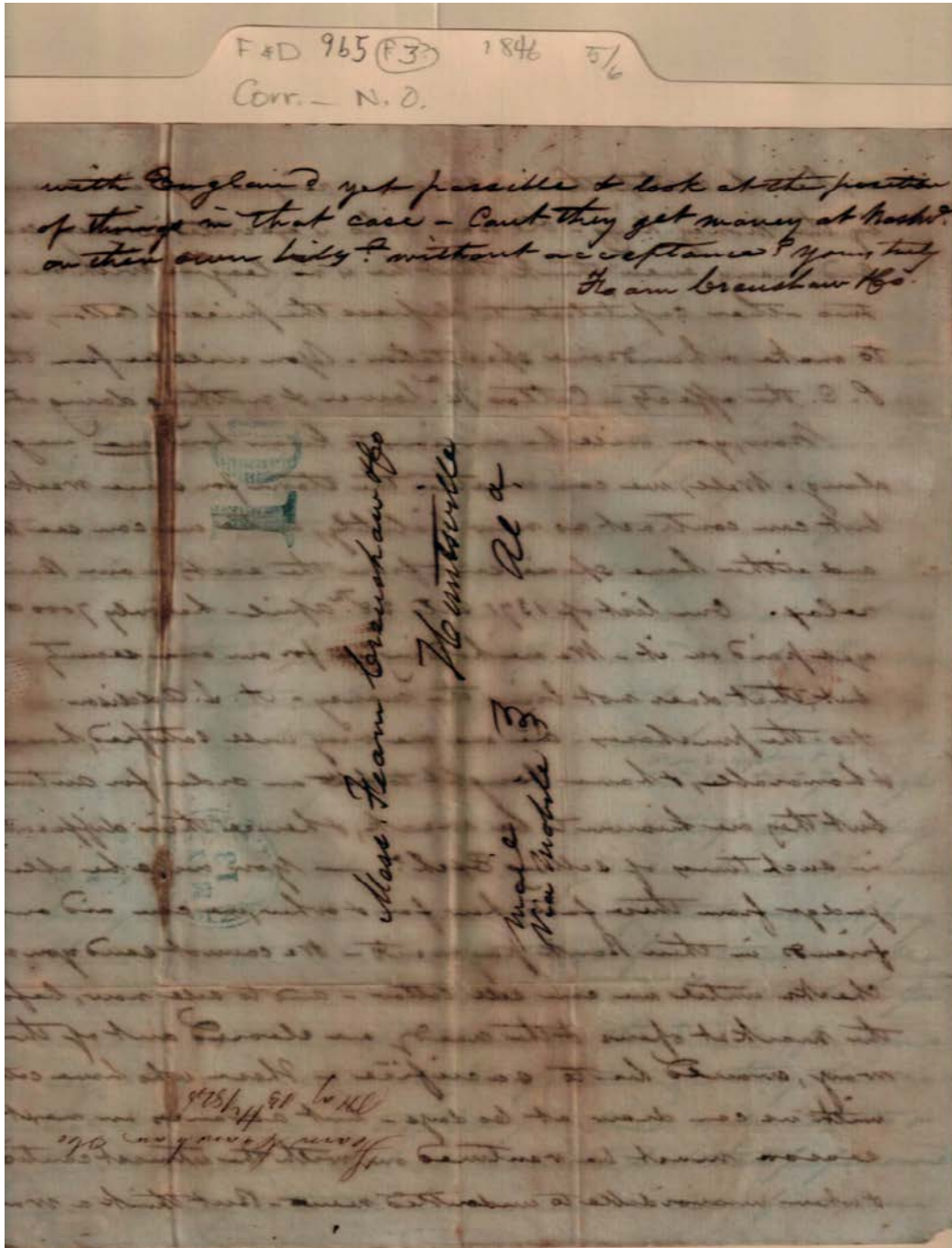
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