

Shrewsbury September 25<sup>th</sup> 1863

Sir  
In compliance with your request we have called upon Gen<sup>l</sup> Anderson and was informed that he had just rec<sup>d</sup> your documents - but, Gen<sup>l</sup> Smith had no authority and could not act or interfere in the premises.

The Market for Sugar and Molasses is quite limited. Sugar ranging from 30 to 50 - Ordinary to good fine - Extra 55. Molasses - 65¢ for first quality.

In regard to Texas - Every place of value seems to be taken so far as my observation and enquiry led in the section that I visited. There was some places reported in Smith County for sale but none to rest that would meet your wishes -

Respectfully  
Wm. Howell  
for Geo. Thurman