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OFFICE of the MERCANTILE AGENCY.

Louisville, May 17<sup>th</sup> 1852

To Geo B. Adams Esquire  
Bowling Green, Ky.

Dear Sir

Please send our office information of the standing, responsibility &c of the following by return mail if possible, inquiry has just been made & we have no returns.

W. Mansville, Lexington, Allen Co. Ky

Your early reply will greatly oblige us.

Very Respectfully Yours  
B. Douglass & Co

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