

Atty. Patten to
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Boston Feb. 10th 1853
R. P. Hunt Esq.
Waterloo - Dr Sir

The six Bales of
Sheeting, were a long time on the way,
reaching us the last of January, we
have shown the goods to our buyers,
who have early in the season stocked
themselves, with similar descriptions at a
little better than 7¹/₂ cts. for ten days
past, owing somewhat to bad weather, we
have had but a limited trade, & it is
yet early for Jobbers to be active, a few
of them, having a distant trade, are beginning
to be busy, but the general trade is still
quiet, it being early in the season -

The goods are very well liked,
and have intrinsic value, and as the trade
opens will sell - our own views however,
as they might be improved in the make,
so as to bring more price, since the quality
of the cotton is good - the selvage is faulty,
and, might be improved, and with care they
might be woven, with fewer threads dropped
which would remedy the fault from such
cause - Could we have got a man,

who we well know to be skill'd in this way - we should have deemed it of sufficient importance to have gone to the expense of having him paid you a visit & look'd through your mill - believing he would have suggested some slight alterations & improvements, more than to compensate for cost - but he has been so engaged, that we have not yet been able to command his services & we do not see much chance for it for some time to come

On the mean time as they are selling readily in N.Y. at 7/12 which is a full price. we recommend your

forwarding there - your drafts have been duly honor'd & when your convenience is served, by it, they can be as well accepted

there, as here, as we are by them advised of such acceptance & carry them into our Books here in accordance -

Very respectfully
Your obt. Servt

Freight on 5 Cases, by comparing with the Freight for Newark, would make the Colt's about \$7.90
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