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Letter written to WR Graham from Edgar McGray, a farmer selling corn. From the tone of the letter you can tell McCray is quite upset, which makes the ending of the letter kind of interesting.

Paeonian Springs Va

Jan 21 1904

Mr Graham

Dear Sir

Yours of the 19th rec "this eve" I was never more surprised than at your statement that "you had bought 80 lbs corn at 2.00 per lb". You are certainly very much mistaken of such is your impression. All you said to me was that you would like to have so many lbs of that corn and I told you I would save it for you. The quantity I had forgotten, the question of price was not mentioned at all, as an evidence of the fact that I would not sell the corn for that price. I had been offered two weeks before you were here \$200 for 100 lbs. This offered by Mr Hoge and I declined the offer a week before the sale.

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In this case there was certainly no sale made only a promise to save you some corn the quantity I had forgotten. The short - corn at DJ Mercier place I did promise to save for you and told you I had offered for 1.00 as they were not very good. I did to remember you had asked for the chat corn at High Point. I had your letter asking me to save them for you which was in time as I had not sold them. I have written at length about his corn not because of the small amount involved but on account of the (??). Sale of farm was confirmed by the court this week. Would like to know what day you expect to arrive here. Anything I can do for you let me know. Will help you any way I can.

Very (?) yours. Edgar McGray