

Gen W. S. Withers

Dear Sir

I have presented your "Demand" informally to Mr. Gratz & Wafson, the only two members of the Ext Com- mittee I have been able to see, and they agree with me in saying, that the Reports after being published are the property of the Board of Curators of the University; and, that we consider the Ext Committee capable of an honorable and fair distribution of them, and that as soon as we can get hold of them you nor any other Curator can, or will have any just grounds of Complaint in their distribution.

Lexington Ky
Decr 11. 1853.

Respectly
Joseph Smith

P.S. Please consider this an answer to also to Curators Steuts & White

J.S.