

Gilman Head, 8669) October 15<sup>th</sup> 1835 -

Mr Frederick Kiecklighter being about leaving this part of the Country on a tour through Florida and Alabama, with a view of procuring business, I cheerfully make the following statements in his favour - Mr K. has lived in my employment eleven years - we have never had a difference - I have always found him a man of the most perfect honesty and integrity, he has been always attentive to business, and prompt in the execution of orders - Mr K. has much experience as a planter, and in the management of negroes - I have found him watchful in detecting crime among the negroes, and moderately strict without severity - Mr K. has also a good knowledge of ploughing, I think any person wanting a man to superintend his planting concerns, as a cotton planter & manager of negroes - would perhaps consult his interest in giving employment to Mr Kiecklighter - There are few men in his vocation, in whose behalf I would say as much - I understand Mr K's motive for leaving this part of the Country is that he has been unfortunate in his family - he is left alone & wishes to make a change for a few years, perhaps permanently - I wish him happiness, health, and success wherever he goes

William Pope Senr