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Dear Mrs Jomonville,

Mr. Fred White Jr., bookseller at Bryan, Texas suggested that I contact you about a book which my brother and I recently published entitled of Birds and Texas. The accompanying prospectus will give you a good idea of its size and format, though nothing quite takes the place of seeing the book itself. Mr. White is very familiar with this publication, and I think he can offer an objective opinion about the book's quality, interest and beauty. I am also sending you several pages of critical comments, as well as important book reviews from important literary publications in Texas. As you will see, the book has been very well received. John James Audubon figures very prominently in the book. The book is dedicated to him and contains material relating to an important discovery - a long lost Audubon original print, which was his first published work. Both my brother and I attended Tulane University, and Louisiana birds figure quite prominently among the color plates.

If I can be of any help, please feel free to give me a call. Our telephone numbers are 817-332 7059 (with answering service) or 817 738 4427. I hope that you enjoy the color plates. They are signed and look quite handsome when framed.

Sincerely yours,
Hunt Gentling