THE SOUTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANIES.

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Send the following Message—subject to the above Conditions.

To [Name]

Brandon, Miss.

[Message]

Your dispatch of yesterday noticed, informing me of your act to join

your advance towards the coast, I desire to know

your actual purpose. The enemy may not

have left more than the central head, but

I will make an effort at the next point, and

cooperate, if necessary, with [Name] another column.
Eastern Louisiana being abandoned may be sent from N. C. to attack Mobile on the land side. The recommendation to withdraw the principal troops from Vicksburg offers a hard alternative under the pressure of our present condition.

Signed:
[Signature]