

Clemson Agricultural College.

AT FORT HILL,  
OLD HOME OF JOHN C. CALHOUN.

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Col. R. W. Simpson,  
Dear Sir,

Mr. Beacham has in-  
formed me that it is impossible for  
him to complete his contract within  
the time specified in his contract  
(to which I have already added 10  
days on an occasion when justice  
called for it). So far from fin-  
ishing his work on Jan 10<sup>th</sup> he tells  
me that owing to various losses of time  
through weather &c. that he cannot  
be even ready for our slaters to go on roof  
before Jan 15<sup>th</sup> if then. He has a  
very small force at work now and even  
some of these are dissatisfied. Some very  
great changes will have to be made in

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his contract in the way of favoring him  
by frequent and liberal payments, to give  
him the necessary credit - to enable him  
to secure workmen. It seems to me that  
if he is to go on we will have to arrange to  
pay his bills for material & the wages of  
his workmen for him <sup>weekly</sup>. He does not suggest  
this, but all here know his difficulty with  
his workmen is as to prompt payments.

He has sublet the bricklaying & Meacham  
the sub-contractor has less money than Beacham  
himself. Mr. Hall is trying to help both of  
them by refusing to employ their men when  
they wish to leave the contract work & come  
upon the other work. If there is anything  
you can do to give impetus to the laboratory  
work I would be glad if you would do it. I heard  
today from Col. Orr as to mechanic's lien & de-  
cline his opinion. We seem to be safe on that  
point -

Very truly yours  
H. W. Stewart