



Columbia Feb. 6/08

Dr. P. H. Will

Clauson letter 8/11/07

My dear Sir:

Capt. Griffith, Supt. Penit. is anxious to give me 20 convicts - until 1st. of Apr. He is now investigating the matter with the Atty. Gen. Capt. G. advises me to use the 10 men from Clauson also, and put all under the supervision of Mr. McCroskey. He says if Mr. McCroskey will act as a guard in day - (armed with pistols) that we may get on with two other guards. Says the Supt. must affirm -

St. Mill # 2



all quads, but we must get
the men and re-convene
them. Talk over this matter
with Mr. Lewis & Mr. McC.
I very fortunately met Mr.
Alan Johnston & Mr. W. D. Evans
here. They both favor the
use of the convicts. Mr.
Johnston advises that you
write to each member of the
board for permission to detail
the ten (10) convicts from
Alcum. Mr. Johnston, Mr.
Evans and myself vote in
favor of the proposition.
We must act quickly - for
I can only keep the men
Mr. Griffith sends until 1st. aft.

St. Mill # 3



for their men, if I get them,
we are to pay \$4⁰⁰ per month,
a suit-clothes and their
board, cost of guarding - &c &c.
We can do the work quicker
& cheaper. Now see Lewis Mc-
Croskin and devise best plan to
take care of their men at the
station. I am afraid the
house there, is too small and
not safe enough - Read over
the title deed to the property.
Nothing is said about removing
the section house - I am
inclined to think it - is
our property - Perhaps it -
will be best to build a rough
shanty house, 20' x 30' or something

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near that size. We might
send down the 10 men per
classroom & let them prepare for
the others. However take this
matter up with the board
and let me hear from you
in soon or possible. If a
majority favor it the thing
can be done.

Very truly yours

J. E. Wannomaker