

April 13, 1910.

5 P.M.

Col. W. D. Griffith, Supt.,  
State Penitentiary,  
Columbia, S. C.

My dear Col. Griffith:-

I regret to say that although we offered the position of Convict Superintendent to Mr. J. T. Harling at a salary fixed by the Board, \$50.00, he declined the position. I am sorry of this, because Mr. Harling has been a most satisfactory man in every way, and we regret to lose him.

I wish to suggest for your consideration, the proposition of placing Mr. Lewis in charge of the convicts, and making him responsible both to you and to us, and employing Mr. George W. Corbin at \$50.00 per month to assist in the work, and look after the camp at night. Since you know Mr. Lewis, it is needless for me to say that he is thoroughly reliable and loyal, and is very much liked by the prisoners. I would sooner have in responsible charge than any one we could get at the salary we could afford. Mr. Corbin could do the punishing, and the night work under Mr. Lewis's ~~direct~~ supervision.

Please let me know if this plan meets with your entire approval. It is the one we prefer, and I trust that you may give it your sanction. In addition to Mr. Lewis and Mr. Corbin, we would have two <sup>other</sup> day guards at \$25.00 per month each.

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With kind personal regards, and trusting to hear from  
you promptly, as Mr. <sup>For Lee</sup> ~~Corbier~~ leaves on the 15th, I remain

Yours very truly,

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Acting President.

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