

see this is getting to be serious with me. I am not going to continue this work on credit and I don't intend to step out and leave it in bad shape without giving you ample notice. But something must be done and that at once.

Percy Tyrrell was in the office this morning at 8:30, which is about 30 minutes ahead of his usual time to come to the hotel. I told him I thought we could fix it up, or part of it, today, if he will just give me a chance, and I wired you to wire him \$250 quick. If you haven't fixed it up by the time you get this letter it is hard to say what my address will be.

Shreve has been rained out for ten days and is not making much progress.

Of course, I explained to you about the Alamo Printing Company. You understand this situation and I am not making any suggestions. Hope you will exercise your own good judgment in this matter.

If the rains would let up so we could get over the road from Mathis to Houston I could get in enough money to take care of the emergencies here and keep everything going in good shape. It cleared up Friday with a norther and I felt sure that we would have three or four days without rain and I commenced making my plans coming home to start on the Houston trip this afternoon, but yesterday morning when I got up it was raining. They had a big rain in Ft. Bend County Saturday night and the trip is off again.

If things are going good down there and you are getting the money why don't you wire Dr. Johnston to meet you at New Orleans or Mobile or somewhere down there and you and he get together and settle your troubles. He has railroad transportation and it wouldnt cost him much to go down there. We can't hope to get very far unless you and he can work together.

Very truly yours,

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