

Greensboro, N.C.
Dec. 31, 1877.

My Dear Judge,

I exceedingly regret to say that I have been disappointed in my arrangements to pay in full the note that falls due tomorrow. I had arranged in Chicago to get the money two or three weeks ago; but as yet it has not arrived, and I fear that it will not come in time. Had I not been expecting it from day to day I would have made other arrangements, or at least would have sooner written to you on the subject. The best that I can do is to pay three hundred dollars cash, and ask an extension of 30 days on the remainder of the note. If I receive the money sooner, I will of course pay you at once. I suppose that you have the note for collection. If so, please inform me at once if this is satisfactory. Very truly yours
Wm. A. W. Lawrence }
Raleigh, N.C. }
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