

Dear A. W. Tougee.

Dear Sir: Mr. Menninger informed me of his offer for the copyright of the Book we have been speaking of, to wit: \$1000. This is not enough, if we obligate to get the matter prepared by the 1st June coming. To do half the work satisfactorily, and to run it accurately through the press, by that time, will leave me no leisure to attend to anything else. However, I am willing to do this:

I will prepare one half of the copy of a Book of 500 pages, completing it by 1st June next, for \$500:- If I do more than half the work, the pay to be proportionably increased. To do this,

I must have copies of the Code, the Amendments passed at the present session, and those of the Laws since 1835, which I may not have. Also Stationary &c. And as it will be necessary for me to enlarge my Library by a few volumes, I shall have to have either the books purchased for me, or \$100. or \$150. advanced. The reason being, that my cash account is rather slim, at the present writing.

I will also prepare an edition of the Book of Forms, with the additions necessary, and notes, to make it useful to Magistrates, Constables, Clerks, and other County Officers, completing it by the 1st of July, for \$250. fifty being paid in advance. This latter will be a necessary ~~xxx~~ companion to the former, and owing to the law this day passed, allowing every body to practice law, both books are obliged to have a

very large sale.

I think my offer is liberal, and if you and the Secy think likewise, I will draw the agreement and commenced work next week.

It is understood, that Nichols & Gorham is to do the printing - or else they may hold me bound to furnish them the manuscript for a revised Form Book.

Respectfully

Quent. Busbee

Raleigh N. C.

9th. Feby 1869.

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