

Not bond. N. C. 17th Dec, 1873

Hon. Albion W. Sargeant.

Judge!

The Board of Commissioners of this County, have requested me to communicate with You in the name of the Board, and request You as a matter of economy to the County, to suspend the order made by You at the last Term of our Court, in regard to remodeling our Court House, until next Spring opens, for the following reasons to wit; It is now mid-winter the weather is bad & days are short, and it will therefore necessarily require more time, by double, to complete the work, than it would in summer season, the saw-mills are all some distance from our town & mill roads are all very bad during the winter season and hauling the lumber &c will necessarily cost much more in consequence thereof. They have no means whatever with which to commence the work until the taxes due the County for the present year are collected and accounted for by the Sheriff; & in consequence of the present stringency of money matters it is & will be impossible to collect said taxes before Spring. They hope therefore and request that You will suspend said order, until about the 1st day of May next in order that they may have the summer season to do the work, and build a House that will do credit to the County, Please answer

at once as the Board meets the 1st Monday in
July, 1874 to take action in the premises, in the
event you will not indulge them, till Spring,
they request me further to say that they will provide
a room for the Grand Jury to hold its session
next term out side of the Court House if you
will indulge as herein indicated.

Mrs. L. sends her kindest regards.

No news -

I am with Esteem Yours &c.

N. N. Leitch

P.S. I think it would be well to suspend the
order till Spring, as by that time they will
suppose have cash to pay for materials, woods
as the people look upon the County as very slow pay & cheap
and therefore they can get it much cheaper,
& the Treasurer told me yesterday that there was
no money in the Treasury for general County
purposes.

N. N. Leitch

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