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Mr. Thos. Crutchfield

Dear Sir I have written to you once before since you left here and I have rec'd no answer. I concluded to write you again after you left Snodgrass set a time to lay out the lumber and plan of work so thyat we could commence Whiteside's work Whiteside was anxious that we should begin I told him that my contract with you was that Snodgrass must have the control and planning of all the work and that I did not know how he was going to finish the passages that it was the hairyest work I had seen in a dwelling in this section of county and I must wait on Snodgrass to commence he never came to set us to work he was chilling constantly when he was here and no arrangements made for us to commence until I was taken sick. I have had a long spell but shall be able to go to work in 12 or 15 days if I should take no back set. I still calculate on working for you as long as you want me it was not my fault that we did not commence your work in 3 days after you left. I made a contract to have all the hewed timber for the sail(?) delivered at the spot for three dollars per hundred which is the price of hewing in this country. if I had not been sick and could have commenced we would have completed the house before this time. We have mos all been sick in this place and a great many chilling morn but I hope they will stop it before long as the weather has become more favourable. I want you to write me and let me know when you will be down and where you will want me to work, if you should want me at all my notion is that I will work for you for a long time if you should kneed me, but as certain as we live Snodgrass did not want me to work on Whitesides house or he would have attended when he set the time him self.

I am very respectfully

Your Friend

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