

Clerk Superior Court,

Forsyth County.

N. S. WILSON, Clerk.

Winston, N. C., Aug 20 1895-

My dear Governor.

While the lawyers are addressing the jury in the riot case I take occasion to drop you a line to congratulate you on the splendid bargain you have made in leasing the N. C. R.R. I have heard very many business men of intelligence & judgment discuss the matter & they regard it as a preeminently wise financial measure for the State. A lease which greatly increases the value of the stock certainly ought to be regarded as judicious. In 50 or 60 years the extra 1 p. c. the State receives over the interest it pays will if compounded discharge its debt for construction of that road & leave its stock free.

If the thieves & scoundrels who were robbed this State so badly should get in complete power again they would have speedily gobbled up this road & will ruin the A & N C unless you lease that out also which would be a wise measure I think if good terms can be had.

It would then cease to be political pap.

I expect to close up & adjourn this Criminal  
Special Term tomorrow.

With most pleasant memories of Sunday  
at Newbed.

I am very truly  
Yours  
G. H. Brown