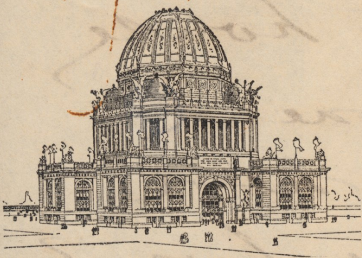


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CHICAGO, June 13th 1898

Hear Governor:

I have your letter of June 6th telling of the storm in Eastern North Carolina. I have read the letter to Mrs John M. Love, my daughter Susie, who owns the plantation, and she agrees with me that you did wisely in trying to get the timber that was blown down by the storm, to market, if possible. But she, and I agree with her, is not willing that any of the standing trees should be cut down. I have had several applications at different times from parties who desired to cut the standing timber fit for the saw, but I have always refused to permit any of the standing timber to be cut.

My daughter, and her husband, are thinking of living on the place, and farming it themselves. My daughter will be 21 on Dec 10 next when she will come into full control of the plantation and of other property left her by her

Grandmother Mrs. Geo. Swain. I
suppose they might live in the house
on the plantation. Would it need
much repairs? He would need
some money to carry on the farm?
How much would you estimate
that he would need for the first
year? I suppose that if they
come to live on the plantation they
should come soon after January 1,
1899. I would be indeed greatly
obliged if you would give me
your opinion frankly as to the
chances of their making a living
on the place.

I am Evermore Very Truly

Smith B. Stickney

Yours truly Sam

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