

Memphis May 4th 1866

Robertson Tapp Esq.

Suwannee depot.

Kemper County Miss -

Dear Sir -

Your favor & it felt was
duly recd but in consequence of ^{my} sickness have not
been able to see Mr Lockell - I desired to
see Mrs Tapp also before I undertook to do any
thing in the matter - but as you no doubt are aware
she has been sick & I have not seen her since her
return ~~from~~ New York. I was out to see your
family yesterday evening and she was reported
better -

You are right in supposing that I would
be willing to serve you and will see Mr Lockell
at the first practicable moment and report to you the
result -

For many reasons I think it preferable to
lease ~~to~~ him if on satisfactory terms - but will take
the liberty to add that I regard the best way to
accomplish it would be to fix the lease at a price
that would justify you in leaving the matter of
three thousand dollars out of the controversy -

I understand you to be willing to accept
three thousand dollars in full discharge of

your claims against Lockell for insurance - rent
of room and board of one man, altho the amount with
interest would be over six thousand dollars?

Of course I will not feel authorized to change
your terms unless I hear from you first - after
an interview with Lockell I then may be prepared
to offer some suggestions of which you shall be
duly advised -

The Sale of the "Overton Hotel" last Monday
was again informed at the instance of parties
who bid it off at former sale.

The town has been in the midst of great excitement for
the past four days & nights by riots - mobs - fires
& killing of negroes, but the city is quiet this
morning & I think there will be no further
trouble -

Very truly
Yours
Wm. W. Farrington