

New Orleans April 5th '81

Receipt of Haiti Gibson his check for
Eleven hundred and fifty dollars proceeds in
part of note dated April 5th '81 drawn by
Randall Lee Gibson & endorsed by himself and
Hait and Tobias Gibson and payable Dec 20th
1882 and this day discounted by Moore & Myers
& Co - This receipt being in full of all taxes
and other evidences of indebtedness upon the
Greenwood Plantation to date.

R. L. Gibson

Col Hart Gibson

Lexington

Kentucky

United States of
America

R. L. G. ~~~~~

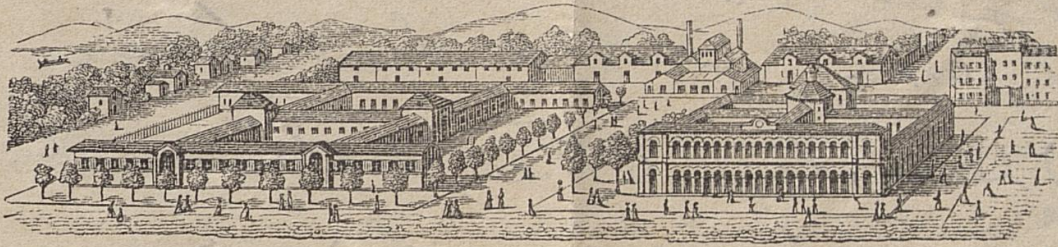




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ETABLISSEMENT THERMAL DE VICHY



BAINS DE DEUXIÈME CLASSE

BAINS DE PREMIÈRE CLASSE

SALON DE LECTURE
DU
CASINO

September 22 1881.

My Dear Brother,
I sent you at
Leysville two long letters from
John B. Windsor. I wish I could
send you a copy of my reply.
I took the ground that the Property
was mine & that no matter
what Lewis said or did —
he could not commit a
breach of faith to settlement
& which he was not a party.
was not present when it
was made & was not consulted.
I had understood that

impossible to get along with, as
you had been represented.

Just want to buy anything
any more - anything until
we get possession.

Wish you'd that he can

have nothing more to do
with my case; but he can't

hold this position. You

can do nothing and you must
see Winder and get on a
friendly footing with him and
with Sutton & Hanson -

I am better myself and am
all well ^{in love} & affect nothing

R. C. Gibson

Administration : 22 boulevard Montmartre.
PARIS.
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Tous les jours

DE VICHY

ESTABLISSEMENT

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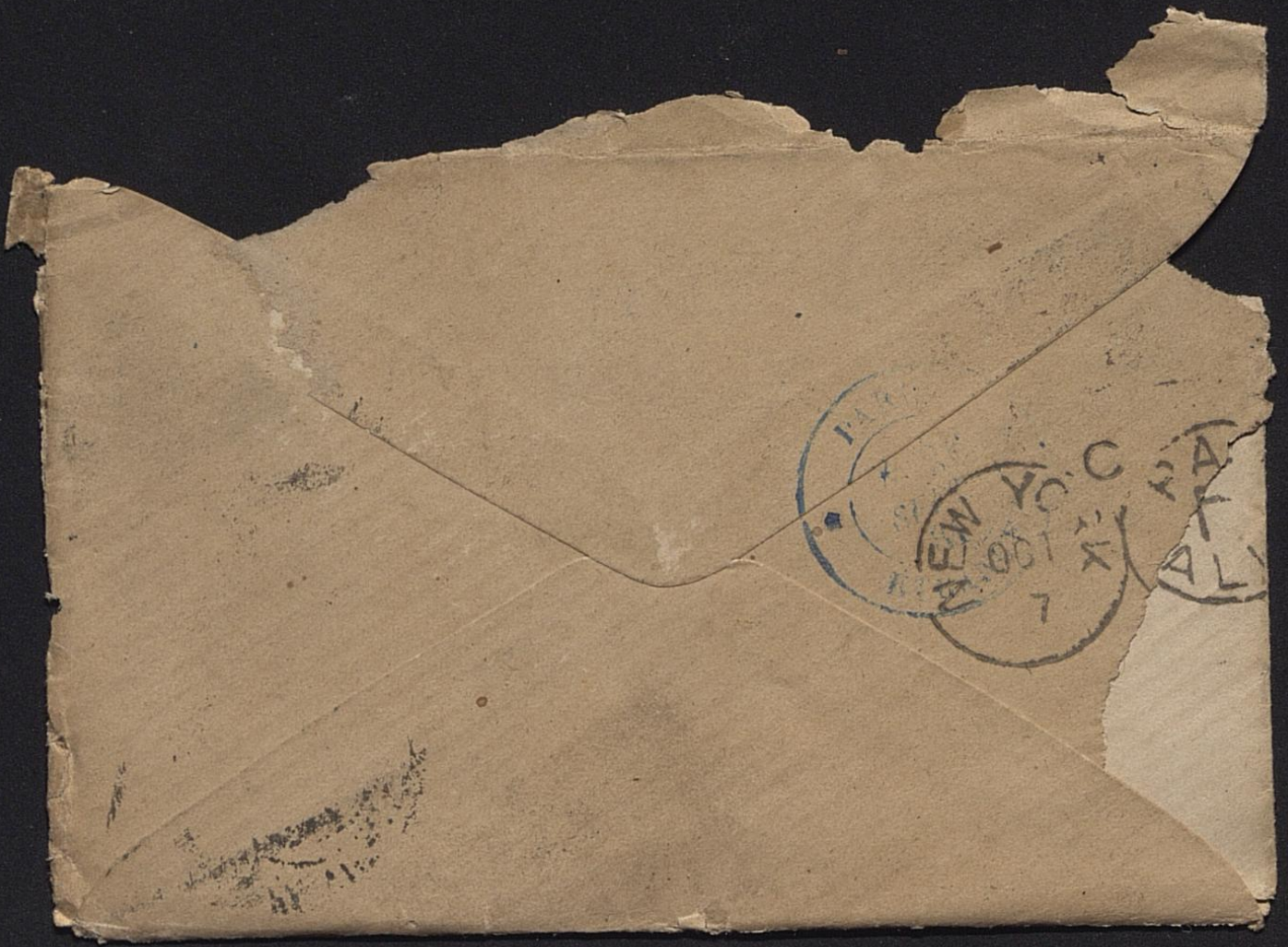
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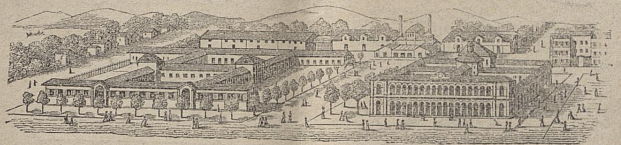
conceder of the property -
Dec 1st - has already
been received of the Pardon
Roper.

Lobias & you were no
parties to the settlement.

The matter between Lobias
& Piedras is foreign to me
& of the terms of the
settlement.

You will now appear and
act as my agent and as
such you must insist
upon Winder's coming
out & helping to carry

ETABLISSEMENT THERMAL DE VICHY.



BAINS DE DEUXIÈME CLASSE

BAINS DE PREMIÈRE CLASSE

SALON DE LECTURE
DU
CASINO

Sept 25 - 1861

My dear Host,

I presume you
will by this time have received
my two letters and the two letters
enclosed to you at Lejewille
from John B Winder - which
I presumed me because he
discovered he says you & Lobias
owned Greenwood over his
children - and that you both
had condoned the settlement
with the Piedras - and that
Lobias' prosecution of me

of the Pedras for stealing his
own mule, was reported by
himself & by the whole
Community, as a breach
of faith and violation of the
settlement & that the Pedras
would not give up the
property Dec 31st - as
provided by said settlement.
You will see his letter.
I wish you could see my
reply. It will be impossible
for Under to hold his position.
You & Lobe were not the owners
of the property - You were
as much so, before the
settlement, as after - for

while Under says, he discovered
after the said settlement
that you & Tobias were
his Chench, - he says in
contradiction of this - That
Tobias had frequently told
Linn all about the
title & Incentroad & was
kind in the last five
years". He must not
be permitted to quit the
Case with my consent.
Not one stipulation in the
settlement has been violated
by me - not one.
The consideration for the

from Complacencies of any
 kind the better - If you
 go down single with
 Mr. Cullom & Mission
 on such a body - do away
 with all kindness & association
 with all false impressions
 as you can read if you
 make the Sheriff refrain.
 You can make everybody your
 friends in a few days, by
 being stalking to them about
 themselves, the weather, the
 crops &c on - You have
 & money & your circle of which
 my mine join
 of brother R. L. Pitman

This paper suggesting you will be able to spot some
 2 - if it stops the reformed action you see misdeed

ETABLISSEMENT THERMAL DE VICHY.



BAINS DE DEUXIEME CLASSE

BAINS DE PREMIERE CLASSE

SALON DE LECTURE
DU
CASINO

out in good faith, the
deliberate made of him
 as my attorney.
 Your policy will be to try to
 hold your amper, tongue
 & make no threats and no
 admissions - but to persevere
 with the steellike coolness and
 steadiness - we object
 none of get possession.
 You ought to employ a
 bold & energetic man as
 your agent, to take possession

silently, promptly & suddenly
Dec 31st - the hour the
settlement allows that an
hour before - both
Greenwood & Magnolia
then we will hold possession.

I cannot foresee what legal
proceedings they will initiate
in advance. And by trespass
or injunction or in some
way a writ can be had
to dislodge them.

I think I can get a writ
that will dislodge these
lawless miscreants -
Under the circumstances it

would be best perhaps to
evict or leave out neither
place. I might be able to sell
Magnolia as Warden says he
has a client who wishes to
buy. Our situation
requires that kind of
Cautious forbearance &
silence & concealment of action
that precedes a bold
stroke - and these
robbers. It can be done.

You might employ a man
as agent in both places
for one year - or half
for one year - the fees we



Col Hart or Mr^m Bond, Gibson

~~Lexington~~

~~Fayette County~~

Figuerville

~~Trichoune Parish Kentucky~~

Louisiana United States of America

A. L. Gibson }



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no furniture. but I presume he will
be able to do so in due time. That
was a terrible stroke of mine - give me
a place in which to unpack my
trunks & stay until March 4 1889
if I live that long.

Left Mary & the children in Paris -
& after I finish here, we will go to some
cheap place in Switzerland for the
summer.

You must come on the Washington
next winter, after you get matters,
well arranged in New Wood - & pay
me a visit. I will have a room ready
for you & there will be nobody but
Mary & the children & Miss Lou
with you. I am too ailing & go about
with my ladies but you & Mary can
escort me & enjoy yourselves.
I am in exile - bound almost like
Prometheus - my hands fast tied

Carlsbad, Bohemia, June 19th 1881

My Dear Hart,

I received your letter
of the 30th from Lexington Ky -
and was delighted to hear my dear
household were all in excellent
health. I am glad to hear you have
reclaimed clear of every obligation
but it was a great pity that at
this critical stage in your affairs
in Lebanon, you were called
away by your business in Lexington
and detained away, even after you
had heard the news that your letters
had abandoned your plantation.
You have probably some in Lexington
but lack a good deal in Lebanon.
However though I address this to
Lexington, I expect it will find
you in New Wood, unless you too

have determined to abandon that Prospect -
What you say about Oakland is true
more than true. It will by the time,
your youngest child is of age, be
worth, more than Boston will
be at the same time, for Lexington
is destined to be a manufacturing
Centre. With I had such a
superb home for my family.
Bye the bye, why did you not
write me, some news about
your family, or kindred friends.
I should like to hear of you.

Where are your children & what
are they doing - and about what
business does Lily - How is poor
Cassie Susan Shelby progressing
with her affairs. I do hope she will
succeed. Where are the Prictors

this summer? Whether because
of Allen Higgins' family? What has
become of Helen's? Write me how
Joe is getting along. I sometimes wonder
more than he estimated he would
need more than I could spare & I
hope for good result.
I did make the arrangement with Riggs in
Washington & got one of the choicest
lots in the City for just one half for
what lot adjoining on the building
line sold for and one held at two
I thought just before the boom -
before - just before - and the
House is going up will be
Completed October 15th but
I sent her from my Hall
that he has rented my new
Olema House unfurnished
and if he don't do it, I will have

by what seems a hard destiny when I
think of all I ought to be doing - the work
before me: and I do now so dislike to be
away from my family from my friends
& Country affairs.

Would you to get and read two books -
two three books mentioned in the order of
mention, Cicero et ses amis par Gaston
Bassien - Early History of Charles James
Fox & Trevelyan, and the History of
our Times by Justin M. McCarthy -
The first is interesting beyond measure,
the second thrilling for $\frac{2}{3}$ of it - the
last assegebin - Did you ever
read James Critchisms of
English Literature - an amazing
book - Get all these books &
read them - they will interest,
instruct & comfort you -
There are Ten Thousand sailing
persons here - not at all a pleasure
resort.

No Americans may find English -
an odd looking set as you ever saw -
a medicinal water for all disorders
of the stomach, kidneys, bowels &
bladder - and in that way helps gut -
prepares the gut & man - for the
after time -

With this, I do shall that I have so
long dwell in war my mind and
would let me work in peace and
free from pain & distress. I am

sure I have greatly benefitted those
& pull through next winter. Who is

the political outlook & what line ought I
to take on when Congress opens?

I only suppose this letter will reach
you in Greenwood - go ~~to~~ there & stay

there & do not be out - get at home
once in Greenwood in full possession.

This is a fine place. Love to my boys.

Duncan & Tobias Smith, & Julia & Edg.
Lucy & Luke & Gra. Love. V. Boston
R. L. Sibson.

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Col Hort Gibson

Lexington
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— Kentucky —

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SENATE CHAMBER

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Col Hart Gibson 85

Lexington

Kentucky.

April 15/88

SENATE CHAMBER
WASHINGTON

Dear Sir,

This moment arrived from
Pomier. I was so afraid the
note might be lost I sent it back
immediately.

I have not a dollar of money —
will be pushed through my mouth

expenses.

The only way I could get it, would
be by borrowing it, by executing a
mortgage on my house.

I would not like to do this unless it
embraced the whole Greenwood
Plantation — and on object that
would justify such a step —
a mortgage for ¹⁰⁰⁰ would cause
me almost as much expense

and possible delay & embarrassment
at for ^{fr} 10,000. Should as effectual
tie - hand cuff me - as long as it
lasted; I wish to keep my freedom
unless there was a prospect of
large profit - and with my responsibilities
I do not know that anything would
justify me in such a step.

After seeing Greenwood & the situation
there & the exact terms, I could decide
whether I would plunge in & run
the risk of money and of the roles
being bid in and hold the property.

But the fact is my debtors, I am too
hard pressed all the time to meet
the demands upon me in my position
to undertake anything beyond a low
cost & sale. In effect

Best
R. L. Doherty

May 12/83 -

SENATE CHAMBER
WASHINGTON

By Gen Hart, all your letters are in
Washington. My Secretary W. C. S. Chesney
614 2^d St. goes by House 1923 R. 2.
A messenger opens & reads all letters for
me & forwards all applications for
office & answers all he can
properly.

I cannot ask for your appointment
for Commissioner of Kentucky.
But if you will yourself go to
Washington & interest some
Kentuckians in the appointment
I can help powerfully & have
prepared all persons & things for
it. If Breckinridge would go
& present your case, I would

pay his expenses. If Bucknidge
woud present it, I can say it.
If you hesitate to ask Waltham
on the ground you mention you
might as well perform his duty.
I have but one hand - the other
is painful & swollen. I have not
been out to Hotel for four
days & have no peace.

Albert still in Washington trying
& help himself - his friends &
help him.

Wm left last night for
Washington. In for the

Rich. D. L.

Irving Springs, West Virginia

United States Senate,

July 18

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

1883

3 Dear Sir,

Has this Company
any Agency in Kentucky. You
see it claims to be the largest Fire
Ins Company in the world.

You wish to determine after looking
into Insurance circles, whether
you will go into Fire Insurance or
Life Insurance. I do not know how
business is done in Ky. I imagine
you can not form a correct judgment
after thorough investigation.

But as soon as you select your
objective - let me know. Find out
what you want - the Company you
desire to begin with (and you
alone can do this) - I will help
you to get it.

I sail for Liverpool on the Gallia
August first and I return on her

from Liverpool September 22nd. I will not
be gone long. If you had selected a
Foreign Company and had known it in
time, I could have armed myself with
letters of introduction and procured it
now. But if I live I will go over next
Summer. I may take something for us
& secure the object - but it appears to
me you might take half a dozen
Companies. But will the great Companies
allow this?

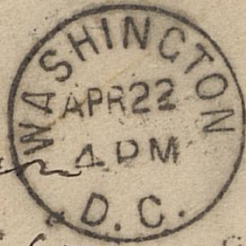
First - make yourself acquainted personally
with the details of the business

Second with the field in which
the business is being done -
& possibilities.

Third the great Companies who
have not but ought to
have agencies in the other
great Company you wish to
represent - then the question
will be how to get it - in this
I can help. My joint
me in love to you may make it
generous. R. B. W. the affectionately
R. C. Gibson

SENATE CHAMBER

R. H. Gibson



Col Host Gibson

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SENATE CHAMBER
WASHINGTON

April 21/83

My Dear Sir,

I got a letter from Breckinridge
& forwarded it to the President. I will see
what his & when it will be referred.
I advise that you get Beck, Blackburn
& write also to the President.
I strongly urge that you get Gov
Stevenson & write also to the President.
I understand his influence is strong -
recommending you as a suitable person
for the Indian Inspector. I advise also
that you get Speaker Corliss to
write a letter in your behalf for this
position. If Stevenson & Corliss
write good strong letters and then
you come on here with these letters -
Durham & help you - and Beck

Blackburn & go with you & see Lamon again
& Hittin's & the President, - all will have
been done that is best. My relationship with
me - won't hurt you but your case must be
made up from Ky as Laddise and you must
yourself put your hands on the plain
handle. You will naturally shrink from it but
it will pay you to make the personal
inquiry. Garland told me today he
would oppose Joe Marshall of Montana,
but the present Marshall's term out
of office for a year but his resignation
will probably come in May 10th according
to an arrangement I can't now explain.
Do not speak of this matter about Joe.
If you will keep silent about your matter
work on the line and the way I suggest I
can greatly but indirectly aid. You should
see Stevenson. Carlisle in person. He is
the way the world is managed - open to
own eyes. Nobody can do so for you.
Breckinridge, Stevenson's. Carlisle's letters

SENATE CHAMBER
WASHINGTON

if strong will from the proper basis.
Then come here & get Joe Blackburn &
Beck & Durham & do a little
talking & passing a subject work but
also important. Blackburn has no
relations with Linnor & both he & Beck's
are a little strained with President -
but if they ask for you personally I think
President would be glad & give them
something & this - your appointment
should appear & them - & he give
& them - do not speak of your
letters from B. & D. & Co. & them
but just tell them if they will
help you have reason to believe
in fact. You know with their
influence, you can get the
place. Blackburn & Beck asked for what
could not be given them they are sure.

This office can be given them & I believe will be -
but you must see them personally & own them
& your support. You have no idea how
important seeing a man is & talking him
into an interest in your behalf is - getting
the letter on the spot while you are
with him - and the influence of your
presence & personal feeling. The moment you
get out of sight, their friendship cools -
Take hold of this matter and dig it out.
There is something good & compensating in it.
I will take trial. Don't mind that & some
urgency. While gathering strength influence
for this place - something better may turn
up - hunting for a squirrel you may come
across better game - the thing is to hunt with
might & main for a few weeks. Whether I am
here or not don't matter. I will be at work on
Paul Randall's story - on a different line
of attack. Help myself; you will get help.
Believe me will soon get something - and
you will. There is a heap of the distributed
yet. You have the cards if you can
play them. All well & you in earnest
Love - your Brother R. L. Dyer.

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SENATE CHAMBER

R. S. Gibson



Wart Gibson Esq
Lexington
Ky.

United States Senate,

WASHINGTON, D. C.,

May 21, 1885.

Dear Sir:

Your several letters with their respective enclosures have been received. On the receipt of your first letter I forwarded it to New Orleans where Senator Gibson was and now is requesting information as to whether I should forward them to the proper Dept. or hold them until his return. I received no reply and took it that he desired them to remain unacted on till he came back to the city. Senator Beck is not in town. Senator Gibson is expected here Monday next. If I can be of any further service I shall be pleased to render it.

Very respectfully,

L. S. Chesney.

United States Senate.

R. Dixon

WASHINGTON
MAY 28
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Col Hart Dixon

Lexington

Jayette County

Kentucky

May 28 / 88 -

SENATE CHAMBER
WASHINGTON

My Dear Hart,

I find a letter from Sen
Sherman and one from C. White
awaiting me here - in favor
of your appointment as, Indian Inspector
more others, - wood.
I would not help you for me
back the President & appoint
you to my office. If you could
induce any ^{of the} Representatives who
as I wrote you back for
your appointment in person
I can have it made. This
a great pity - this was not
done some time ago. It is
not too late now. I would

be well if it could be done now.
It is strange you could not have
done this.

I will see Atkins but after all
he could hardly make a key
appointment unless requested
by somebody some Senator or
Representative from that State.
I'll get his appointment as

Marshal just as you want
have received yours if you
had not done as I asked. He
had thought to present him.
If any single Representative of the
will present your personal
ask for your appointment you
will get it through my influence.

Your affec^t Brother

R. L. Gibson

R. L. Gibson
United States Senate.

Cal Hart Gibson

Lexington

Kentucky

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EXINGTON, N. H.
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SENATE CHAMBER

Feb 12: 1890

WASHINGTON

By Gerrit Hart

I thank you for the Comer -
Journal of the 5th inst - containing prospectus on
The Race Problem - which in style cannot be
surpassed, for it is elegant, forcible, clear and
symmetrically logical. The statement of the
problem from a historical view is also
philosophical. Your suggestion of remedy
is not so pure or lucid, I think somewhat
inconsistent. If the negro race is incapable
of self government - how if placed in
Africa or elsewhere, will it not gradually
retrograde in civilization and fall -
prey to their own inherent instincts &
passions? Diffusion on this subject
seems more practicable. But the
idea of colonization may be better.
In one respect you make us 2
think a decided error. Secession was
distinctly eliminated by the 14th Amendment

reserving the doctrine of citizenship — for whereas
he ^{became} ~~was~~ ^{was} citizens of the U.S. & born of being
Citizens of Mass respectively (see Dred Scott
Decision) and therefore owed allegiance to Mass
States — we are now declared to be Citizens
of the United States by virtue of being born in them
or subject to their authority. Secession is
denounced as rebellion & pains & penalties inflicted
upon those engaged in it.

We the South stand for the Constitution as it was,
the North went to war in order to amend it
they did amend it in respect of Slavery & citizenship
& allegiance & suffrage. We have sworn to support
the war or bloody amendment, just as the supporters
of the South swore allegiance to the Honorable
line — & the new establishment. We fought
for the Constitution we were loyal till we
saw the North succeeded & established in
a new Constitution, the really governing
issues & secured. They were the Revolutionaries & Rebels.

I was to have spoken on the Race Problem
today but have been too unwell all
this week to take the floor. I am suffering
from indigestion & general Constipation
& dizziness & consequent weakness.

There gotten up out of bed & write this note to you. Had said the death
of Andrew Higgins & John Mason Brown.

I have not put pen to paper & but I have a
SENATE CHAMBER
horror of the name of speech which will
WASHINGTON
be in matter & delivery, the best I have
ever delivered on a Negro problem.

I am going tomorrow to Louisiana &
after staying there here Orleans for
a week, think will go to Arkansas
springs wash out all my
interior organs & so on & maybe
some three weeks. My return

of Lexington.
My Boys are all well. Hope this
find you & all those
dear to you - well doing well
happy. Your ever affectionate
Brother

R. D. Drake