

first trip of the Southerner
after you receive this

A Gentleman of large
means from South Carolina
wishes me to say to you that
he will buy out your interest
in this place, giving you
cost and interest in cash
I promised to write you & he
is anxious to have word as
soon as possible. please think
over the matter and let me
hear from you. you can do
just as you please either way
will satisfy me. if you would
not like to make a certain
savings thing of it. Now
would you like to let him
have one third & put in
that third in negroes, which
will make our force 15 hands

If we have no overflund
a force can be worked here

to advantage. for there is
lots of heavy work to do.

Think over this too & answer
as I said before just as you
please, but should an overflow
come again & we make no
crop it will be very hard
on us, & lower the value
of all unsold bottom land

I got you in this Frank &
I consider it but honest to say
that if it should turn out a
bad speculation you can
not hereafter blame me for
it. as there is an offer now
made by Mr J J Simms of
South Carolina to buy you
out at cost and interest,

We are busy making cane
and preparing to plant corn
& hope to begin planting about
the middle of next month if
the water runs off