

Edwards July 19th 1876

Col W. D. Withers

Dear Sir

Yours of the 12th inst
to hand. contents noted. I regret much that there is likely
to arise the least misunderstanding, in our transactions.
Just because you have always acted fairly and
squarely with me, secondly when I gave the bill of
sale I did not think it would derange any of our
plans, and now I have no control in the matter. I
told Mr. Odum in good faith the exact con-
dition of my affairs. When I paid you the
\$900⁰⁰ and odd dollars by way of Tax receipt
for the purpose of paying for Lots 384 Town of Edwards
and also the merchandize etc. But after my
business assumed and took another course from what
I supposed I wrote you soliciting your aid
as far as possible to assist me save something
and at the same time secure your own
payments. The latter I write you my affairs
was more satisfactorily arranged. W^m Odum