



Mr. J. F. Jaudon,
Miami, Florida.

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July 17th 1921.

Dear Mr. Jaudon:-

Since I last saw you in Miami I have been working quietly on the proposition you wrote me about before you left for New York.

I have made some progress along the line, and have delayed writing you until now in order to have something definite to tell you.

I have been in communication with New York Interests for the past month, who seem to be greatly interested in a Florida development, and who finally have asked me if I could go to New York for the purpose of meeting the people who are interested in the purchase.

I am now finishing up my investigation work for the American Sugar Refining Co. and will be free to spend some time in Florida. I am to leave Havana tomorrow, Monday, for N.Y. Florida Route, will be in West Palm Beach Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Write me at once, 322 Fern Street, W.P. Beach if any change in the proposition has taken place, also any information you may have for me, regarding same. I am scheduled to make an inspection and report on a tract of Florida land during the month of August, not for The Am. Sugar but for other people, this will be done immediately after I return from New York shortly after the first of the month. Regarding the New York people, I believe that they are very much interested, and they are financially strong and active



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people who are in the habit of doing big things.

While nothing definite has been said, I know they are very much interested, and I am not going to lose any time in presenting your proposition to them in person. I hope to have favorable news for you on my return from New York.

Poor old Cuba is now suffering ^{from} ~~for~~ the sins of the past, Things can not get much worse here unless a state of Public Disorder follows the present crisis.

The greater portion of the sugar estates are now closed down, ^{are} salaries are being cut and there thousands of good people out of positions with no possible prospect in sight at the present time. The condition of the country is hopeless without assistance from the U.S.A. is forthcoming at once. There is actual hunger and distress now among the laboring class, ^{and} plundering lawlessness in the outlying districts is now being reported, and if there is no relief offered soon the thing is going to get worse. I must close for today, as I am getting myself ready for a get away in the morning.

With best personal regards to Mrs. Jaudon and your own good self, I am,

Yours faithfully,

A. W. Lawrence