

Miami Fla August 1st 1922.

Judge D.A. McDougal
Sapulpa
Oklahoma.

Dear Judge Mc. Dougal:-

Your letter of July 19th received just as I was leaving Fort Myers for "home", and I hope to be here for a week ten days or more as Mr. Collier has gone to Europe to be gone about six weeks, I have business that will call me to Chicago some time within the month but cant say just when time will be at my disposal to go there.

You seem to be doing all possible with Dr. Groom, Mess Freeland and Rolleston, and it seems that we are going to be able to travel the TAMIAHI TRAIL from the Atlantic Ocean to the Gulf of Mexico some time this coming spring, and there is no reason to doubt that property on the Gulf will be in demand and have a ready sale this winter.

I visited the oil well near Fort Myers the past week, they are down about five hundred feet with twelve inch pipe at six hundred they will reduce, they have four thousand feet of each eight and six inch casing on the ground, and a very fine string of tools, as well as a first class rig, this company is preparing to sink another well at once at a point south of Imokalee, they are also selling leases on sections of land that they hold under lease which is producing them enough money to not only carry their entire leases but also to finance their operations, I beleive they are going to strike oil.

If you wire me on receipt of this that you will come to Miami I will remain here to meet you, however do not want you to take a trip down here unless you think it necessary, of course the longer we delay "trimming our sails" to some definate end and aim the harder it will be for us to "steer" when we do "setc our course"---.

I have some very large timber and land buyers but have made no proposition beyond the quotation that we would sell one hundred million feet of cypress at \$5.00 that we were selling merely to produce money for our developments that we would give a satisfactory periode of years for removal would have the twenty thousand acres of land on which the timber stands released from the operation of the mortgage, and would "Trustee" same but that we had to have the money from sale in payments to meet cost of developments, I have no doubt that we could perfect such a trade but I would very much regret to have to abandon the "Bond Plan", still it looks as tho something must be done soon. Mrs Jaudon joind in regards to you and your family.

sincerely yours