

The BOOKER T. WASHINGTON *Papers*

Saw Mill and Log wagons	\$320.00
Labor — (out side)	53.70
Freight	61.90
Lumber, board of engineer, etc.	65.34
Fixtures	148.10

We deferred the payment till Jan 1st because we did not want to be cramped for cash with which to get the proper out-fit to start the mill. We shall be able to meet the terms of the agreement although you see we only have a little over \$400 left with which to do it, but we are realizing something now regularly from the sale of lumber &c. We have just taken a contract to furnish the lumber and build a two room house for a gentleman for \$300. At the soonest time practicable we shall add the planer &c.

The above items only include cash out lays and do not include student work &c. nor oxen &c. purchased to draw logs, these being charged to farm. The saw-mill is proving a satisfactory addition to our industries and as we gain more experience in the matter it is going to be still more so. Already the out side demand for lumber is so great that we find it hard to keep enough on hand for our own use.

I am very glad to hear that Mrs. Marshall is better and hope you are well. We are running over with students. Second handed clothing are in great demand with us this term.

All send love. Yours faithfully

Booker T. Washington

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¹Forbes Liddell, founder and president of Forbes Liddell Company in Montgomery, Ala., did business with Tuskegee Institute, selling sawmill machinery, engines, and taking special orders.

From William Edward Vasser¹

Athens Ala. Dec 19th 1886

My dear Sirs — Please write me at your earliest convenience answers to the following questions. When was the Tuskegee Normal established. How many graduates has it turned out? How many of them teach in