

The BOOKER T. WASHINGTON Papers

To Nathalie Lord

[Tuskegee, Ala.] Mar. 31 [188]7

Dear Miss Lord, The last tract of land that Miss Davis¹ purchased contains 34 acres and she is to pay \$325 for it. She has paid \$50 in cash and is to pay the other some time this year. The house in which she lives has been paid for. The school house is on a separate tract of land from the one mentioned above.

I can not close this letter without mentioning the wonderful religious interest existing in our school. Within the last week 106 students have become Christians. There are only a very few left now and the interest still continues. There is almost none of the usual excitement connected with such meetings. Much of this blessing is due to Miss Mayo's² faithful work. Yours sincerely

Booker T. Washington

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¹ Lilla V. Davis was a black teacher in Cotton Valley, Ala., aided by the Woman's Home Missionary Association and watched over by BTW.

² Lovey A. Mayo.

To William Jenkins¹

[Tuskegee, Ala.] April 6 [188]7

Dear Mr. Jenkins: Yours of the 3rd inst. is rec'd. In reply I would say that the letter relates to a subject that Mr. Adams² and I have been considering and arranging for. You perhaps know that the school has bought the Corliss place — that is the part of it on this side of the road and Mr. Adams has bought the land on the opposite side with a view of putting on it some neat comfortable cottages for persons who may desire to settle around the school. Mr. Adams will agree to put a 3 roomed cottage on the place above referred to by fall if that would suit your friend. The rent of this would be about \$5 or \$6 per month. Or if he would like one nearer the center of town Mr. Adams will put him up a four roomed cottage the rent of which would be \$7 or \$8 per month. As Mr. Adams is just preparing to build it would be well if