

Wortham Texas.

October 31st 1852,

My Bro. Sir.

Yours of the 13th Inst was received a few days ago. I will forward you the petition at anytime you may appoint. I have already procured sixty odd signatures and will at once proceed to get others. Let me know therefore by what time you will need it. Col. Harder has written to you by this mail concerning wood, and makes some enquiries about the McAnelly league. His object is to obtain wood from you or the Anelly at 75 cts per cord. He cannot procure here in the neighborhood for less than one dollar and seventy five cents and cut and haul it himself. You have but little left, and that you can or ought to get a high price for, if for no other reason than the retrospective effect it will have, for they will be compelled to pay you the established price for all they have cut heretofore. I offered to let them cut from a tract I own some three miles from here by paying me one dollar and fifty cents, but Harder is determined to procure it for less if possible - but get it he cannot unless from you or McAnelly, I have not time to write at greater length.

Yours Sincerely,
J. W. Stearns.

To Sterling C. Robertson
City of Austin
Texas.

J. M. Stearns
Oct 21. 1852

Ans Nov. 1852