

Galveston Nov 28..

My dear Doctor,

I came to this city
Saturday evening and return to
Evergreen tomorrow.

I have been practicing
in Houston during the recent Yellow
Fever Epidemic — and you will allow
me to say to you, my old friend,
that I have had unrisalled success.
My attention was exclusively devoted
to the recovery of my patients —
nevertheless I snatched moments
for making numerous memoranda
which I am preparing for
publication. — I would have
given a great deal to have been
allowed to make additional
autopsies, but I made none except
in the Hospital — attended by other
physicians — as it gives such a
handle to other practitioners to

Misrepresent the results of one's practice.
I should be perfectly delighted, could
you spend a few weeks with me
at Evergreen and aid me in
arranging my memoranda. And I
should strongly urge you to come
down, but for some expectation I
have of going to Austin in the
course of a fortnight.

Have you received the
N. Orleans Journal which I ordered
for you? I heard of your
great success in practice some
time since; I presume it continues.
How is your own health? — Write
me every thing about yourself. —

My own health is excellent.
My crop is a good one.

Col Caze has bought the Ross
place and put up a handsome
two story house.

Archibald Hughes is
building on Bradford Stark's place.
W. Roper is building on the

Ellis place; so you see we are
getting a neighborhood.

Cedar Bayou joys on in the
old way. -

Henry W. is boat building at
the Wind Mill - Lewis is on a
visit to the North. -

Please present my compliments
to Judge Sewell and family - I
write soon to you

faithfully

Yours
Abel Smith

Doctor J. N. Bowers.

P.S. You will find yourself
mentioned in Dr. Massie's
Eclectic Practice.