

Letter, M.C. Rogers to Andrew Smyth, Sevierville 19th March 1837

M. Andrew Smyth

Dear Sir, M. Clabaugh handed me yours of the 15th Inst yesterday evening and delivered his load in good order- I was sorry to learn you had blown out so soon as you was in so fine a way, but am glad to hear you will be in again in so short a time.

I send you a copy annexed of our Pig Iron contract as it right to have a copy at each establishment. I ought to have furnished it to you before now. You will see that the demand for Pigs commences 1st April next, and the Loves I am told say they shall want by that time, and look for the contract to be filled. I wrote you some days back about furnishing the first supply of 15 or 20 tons by a boat at the mouth of Gists Creek within the time which has failed to reach you or you have forget to answer what way it would be able to do. Please let me know. I am also told they are fearful of Scraps and Sculls being sent and Wm Love told me he wanted only his contract "merchantable Pig Iron," but would not have any objection to pot gates as far as they could be worked into Iron profitably. I do not want them to have any chance to grumble, and then on the other side, I for one shall expect them "to stand up to their fodder." You neglected to send the note on the Loves you wrote about. Enclose it in your next. I think I shall get all the Iron they make. They appear to be tired of "peddling" it about, for they find they are not good at that trade. We have nothing new, but are doing the best we can, and hope you will realize your most sanguine expectations in your next blast.

Respectfully  
M.C. Rogers

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