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Letter from the Business Editor to R. H. Baker

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Dr. R. H. Baker.

Watertown, Tenn.

My dear Brother:

I was impressed upon reading your letter to Bro.
Larimore. I am pleased to note that you are inclined to come out sometime this winter and view the landscape. I believe that you will be pleased with the prospect of the landscape, and that the climate and other conditions will meet your approval. I know that there are many good people like yourself who were interested in Florida, and who have come here and made their homes and prospered. I would be glad if you could see your way clear to make the change.

Bro. Larimore turned your letter over to me, as I am business editor of Our Florida Friend and it is necessary for me to answer

your questions.

The approximate selling price of unimproved real estate near Gainesville varies greatly according to the location and nature of the soil, and other local conditions. Good farm land can be bought in large tracts at \$25.00 to \$50.00 an acre in this County. Residence lots in Gainesville range in price according to situation etc., from \$200.00 to \$2000@00 each. There are no business lots for sale that I know of.

The land around Gainesville is not adapted to the growth of alfalfa; however, there are native grasses that probably have as great food value as alfalfa; forage and silage crops are easily produced here.

State and County tax 1s \$2.15 on \$100; the Valuation, however, is placed at about one-third the cash value of the property, and sometimes less. Corporations are not taxed at their capital in Florida; the property of a corporation is assessed the same as other property, taxes being the same.

We would be very glad to have you and Yrs. Baker come down this winter and locate with us. We believe that you will be pleased with the situation, and you will certainly not find a place on earth where you would be more welcome than in Gainesville.

Yours sincerely,