

able, yet will probably soon run above
He is anxious to pay up all his arrears
on $\frac{1}{2}$ of those negroes, & especially
this sum due you as trustee
to transfer stock to the
Although I then believed it
especially as it is in the
ferred stock bearing 8%
I did not wish to worry you
of understanding such an affair
then explaining to others, when it
+ nor stocks you & they wanted. I then
hoped, & I still hope, ere long, to be able
to pay you off in cash; but I have not the
means now, neither has Pryor Lea, and I
cannot promise the cash at any specified
time. Hence, if you wish, I will fully ex-
plain the condition of that Company, & then if you
wish to take the stock for the debt, I will
write to him for it.

Meantime, I am working to
make that stock valuable
my business here. Pros,