

G. H. BROWN &amp; CO.

General Commission Merchants.

Washington, N. C., July 20<sup>th</sup> 1874

Dear Elias.

Enclosed find proxies of parts of our Stockholders, some few being absent, and hope you will have a good meeting. Politics, has gotten the Whites & Blacks up to fever heat in this County. Quite a row at Blounts-Creek yesterday, where the County Candidates assembled. The Row commenced it, and the result was, a one armed soldier (my Regt?) who was not in the melee, was shot, and thought to be mortally wounded. The man who fired is in jail. Capt. Thompson our Candidate for 'Commons' was struck in the forehead, ball glancing, did not hurt him much. Three my sons were slightly wounded. Their arms used quite freely, and sore heads were plenty.

It seems to be the impression, that it will be a pretty general row here on the day of election. Hope your family are all well. With kindest regards.

Yr Friend

Macon Bonner