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W. Pisgah N.C Jan 27<sup>th</sup>  
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Dear Sir and Brother  
I would like to have your  
ruling on a few questions  
if a member fails to attend  
the Alliance meetings or pay  
his dues for from six to  
twelve months and has no  
excuse for so doing how  
should he be dealt with

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When a man and his wife  
are both members of the Alliance  
and he is suspended or  
expelled should his wife  
be dismissed or is she to  
remain in the Alliance as  
a member in good standing

if an Alliance gets its Charter misplaced or lost so that it cannot be found how should it proceed

At our last meeting it was agreed that our Business Agent use the money in our treasury to help to cash our orders for goods and give the members 30 days to pay the money back to the Treasurer to be used in the same way on the next order &c. Some of us think it would be just and right to require those who join us hereafter and wish to receive the benefit of this fund to pay into the treasury the same amount that the members who now belong to the Alliance have in the treasury per capita.

We also have been discussing  
The plan of building a house  
at our nearest Rail Road  
Station. The money to be raised  
by some plan of assessment  
and some of us contend that if  
we build, that members who  
join us hereafter and wish an  
equal interest in the house with  
us be required to pay an equal  
assessment to be used to lighten  
the burden of all concerned  
I have taken the ground that  
all members who wish to  
share in the profits of the  
Alliance should share in  
its expenses. But some oppose  
me and say if we make all  
pay alike outsiders will not  
join us. But I do not think  
any good Alliance man  
wants something for nothing

or would object to joining  
The Alliance because it  
granted equal rights to all  
but special privileges to none  
as there is a difference of  
opinion on these matters  
I would like to have your  
Ruling on them

Fraternally Yours

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