

Smithfield, N. Carolina
Sept. 9th, 1889.

Mr. Elias Barr;

Dear Brother:

I am a member
of Swift Creek Alliance No. and
write to get some information.

1st Is any kind of an agent eligible to
membership? If so please explain. No

2nd If a member sells goods under license
a month or more, then the president calls
on him and he withdraws that he may
pursue his merchandising and after awhile
ceases to merchandise and then after more
than a year has elapsed since his withdraw
al he petitions to another lodge nearer
him for membership, how should the
ballot be taken as for a new member
or one demitted? Yes

3rd If a new member stands ready for
initiation and a sufficient charge is

is brought against him how should
we act. Return his application

4th If we find a member deceiving
us wilfully how must we act if we
must get rid of him, does two-thirds
majority decide against him? Punish him or with
drawal or suspend

Please answer the above questions
by return mail if possible and if not
please answer through the next issue
of *The Progressive Farmer* and you
will oblige us very much.

Fraternally yours,
A. J. Whitley.