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Pres. Elias Car, dear sir we
are at a ~~total~~ loss how to pro-
ceed in a matter before our al-
liance and write for counsel
three ladies have made applicat-
ion for membership on ballot
they was Black balled one black
ball appearing in each case at
first ballot the same at second
ballot an the Brother informed
the president that the ^{reason} was he did
not approve of winners belong-
ing to the alliance and these
being only second and third
class women he cast the Black
ball the ballot was taken at
meeting and there appeared 3
black balls now one of the
ladies had a bastard child
the twelve month or more ago

~~as~~ is now married. The other
two others is of not the
Best family but are not of
ill repute, it is the opinion
of the several of our best
members, and has been said
by some men and women
that they thought of joining
the order but if we taken
in those women they would
not join. now we want to
know what to do, or how
to proceed

Fraternely

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Flat Rock
Sub Alliance
No 1038

Acted Constitutionally
E.C.