

Concord N. H. Feb 15th 1890

Mr. Elias, Care of Rev. N. C. F. A.

Dear Sir and Bro, I hope you will not think it presumptuous in an humble private to confer with you. At the gen. meeting of Cabarrus Co meeting of F. A. I was appointed one of three on a committee on legislation, and after mature consideration I have concluded to write you. There is a great deal of general legislation ^{needed} that can only be effected by cooperation. The plan I want to lay before you is this, that you with others of our wisest and best men confer and agree on our demands on the next legislature and send them to the allies throughout the state, instructing them to demand the support of their candidate before election

I think it possible to secure any measure we want in this way.

The congressmen in most of the southern & western states might be induced to commit themselves in the same way, farmers must oblige but there is bound to be some change in the laws of state a nation before prosperity can come and by the F. A. we must look ~~to~~ ^{to expect} this to be accomplished.

By faith I see justice and equity between all men and professions even politicians, in this godly land of ours shall our dream be realized, yes, if we are true to our trust, much depends upon our leaders,

Now my brother dont throw this aside and regard it as a visionary dream of a diseased brain. we are strong enough in numbers

to say to ~~to our~~ would be legislators you are our servants & you shall.

The rank and file look to the leaders, you plan and we will execute, The advantage of the above plan can be seen at once, if our ^{democrats} ~~various~~ local there will be want of harmony, can be cooperation only in a sort of general way and will have to seek the support of men after they have been elected and are under no obligation. whatever hope that you will use your influence to work up this plan or something better so that we will not lose two years more of time

I am a member of alliance no 200 and have the honor to be its ~~pres~~ it is one of the best alliances in the country

we are working the alliance
for all it is worth we have
a large and enthusiastic membership
and dont think me egotistic when
I say it was little better than
confusion confused when I was
chosen its leader. go there
and do likewise.

Your brother

J. A. Fink