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Hon Elias Carr

Dear Sir & Bro

As a member of the National cotton committee appointed at the convention held in the City of St. Louis Dec 3rd 1889, you urged and advised the use of cotton bagging as a covering for cotton in the future. The farmers of the South: And in both the Progressive Farmer and the Economist carefully from week to week find that this subject is no longer the attention it should be by a National organs in urging it upon the part of those whose duty it is to provide a supply of covering for the covering season. Whether farmers heeded the advice or not stood up manfully in obedience to the injunctions of the committee and did everything and everything they could get other than use jute bagging.

Now the question is: shall the farmers after being put to so much trouble, inconvenience and needless expense as they were last year be driven to the necessity of again resorting to the use of jute bagging and be at the mercy of this Trust company.

To my certain knowledge: had some of the Brothers not had some old guano sacks on hand they would have had to wait several days before having their cotton ginned and as a result the cotton would have been taken in charge of by their creditors and wrapped in jute bagging.

I do not think another example found anywhere illustrating the order and fidelity with which our farmers have obeyed the injunctions of the Trust. Only one instance and that was at the close of our late civil war when our noble men, coming home and seeing the devastation and ruin around them bent unflinchingly to the task of building up the waste places of our Southland.

What my dear Bro is being done in this matter
to have a full supply for the coming season.
Let us not undertake more than we can perform
but let us show to the outside world that
this is no childish freak but the work of
men determined to stand up to the principles
of our great Organization and be free from
the clutches of trusts & conspiracies.

I can safely say that our order is accomplishing
great good in this part of our State not only
financially but mentally, morally and religiously.
Our friends have brought into closer relations one
with another and peace, harmony and brotherly
affection reigns in our midst.

We pray that our great
work be the instrument of awakening
the people on the part of the Brethren
to bring about the reform needed
for peace, prosperity, and safety of our
country.

Fraternally

W A Newbold