

[To: MR. ELIAS CARR, Old SPARTA,
N.C.]



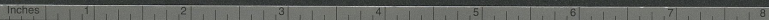
Wachpelah N.C.
Jan'y 9th 1889

Dear Sir & Bro.

Yr two letters to
hand. I have not heard from
Bro. Doy but rec^d. a letter from
Bro. Darden the day before. I can
not arrange to leave home before
25th of this or first of next month.
I am my own "overman" and as
my son is at school will have
to hunt up corporal company
to stay with my family in my
retire home. How do you propose
for me to make the Carvass of
Shall I have Prestr. of Co. Alliance
to call meetings or would it not
be better to have two or three in
a County and let certain Al-

liances send representatives - I
will not do to make any open
canvass. (too much is known
of our doing now) - I have
\$9000 in N.C. by pro ch Bonds (on
wh I drew \$180. Jan'y 1st) and now
\$3600 in Bk. and \$250 in home. I have
not been to Charlotte since 1st and do
not know what may be in Bk. since
I was down - This represents 350 vouchers
from about 300 Alliances - Nearly
every Alliance report "will send some-
som" but they are very slow about
it, In order to catch up with expenses
(as you know my salary only comes from
profits) I shall let the money received
now remain in Bank until May or
June at 4 p.m. it and can then
buy the bonds about as cheap as
now and draw the content July 1st.
I hope by that means to have everything

up by July 1st and then begin to bill
the Business Agent - There is great com-
plaints of the slowness in sending cer-
tificates and I recommend that you im-
mediately authorize the Secy of State
Alliance to employ for 30 days such
assistances as may be necessary to
keep the work of issuing up to
receipt of vouchers - Nearly every
man wants his "by return mail"
and the Secy is almost accused
of stealing the money or myself or
bold of doing it if there is delay -
I think the Secy is at least 30 days
behind - and the grumbling of those
who have sent about not receiving
their certificates prevents others from
paying subscriptions - The fund is now
low enough for the Agent to begin bu-
siness in some departments say
groceries and flour &c. - He should
write to some flour factory Atlanta,



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Pittsburg or other place and get prices
for ton on steel plows. i.e. bull tongues,
shovels. Straight & turn, Sweeps, bars
&c - shipped to different points in such
lots as he may order - Also has in
dog bundles - telling the factory how
the security stands - and if necessary
You can give him a certificate
as to the amount as reported by
me - signed and sealed by Secy -
always getting my report as late as possible -
He should then send a list of his prices
to every Alliance - If he would only
get to work - however small it would
and matter - There is no reason why
he should not make arrangements to
buy groceries - and inform the Alliances
of his prices - But I suggest that this
all be confined to Alliances that
have paid into the fund until the

amount of \$50000 shall have been
received - If the factories will not
trade with him, then our merchants in
the State who would become his agents
on a small pr ct - Of course this must
all be for cash - for the present - i.e.,
he sends the order the goods are shipped
and bill sent him, he sends proper bill
to each Allowance and in 30 days all
is settled - if not you call on me to
settle - I was sorry I did not know
of your ^{com} meeting in Raleigh so as
to have attended - for it is important
that something be done at once -
And although Bro. D. can not operate
legally still he should do what
he can

I fear our friends in disguise will
defeat Alexander for Senator and
that our "Haemeri Legislatores"

will not do which we hope -
In looking over the letter I thought
was from Darden. I see it is from
Evey. It was written on Darden's
paper and in his envelope -
hence the mistake

With best wishes

Yours truly & fraternally
Dr. A. Graham
Foster

I would be glad to have sug-
gestions as to how the Ex-
Com. think the donors
should be made.

E. J.