

April the 6<sup>th</sup> 1890

Elias Carr, Pres. N.C.

Dear Sir & Bro:

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of Jan 1890, just, one of our most worthy and renowned Citizens Col Wm. Pickett of ... County, N.C., and an ex member of the Legislature who was in the Farmers Convention with you in Raleigh on the 26 of Jan 1890 (of which you were President) and who is a successful farmer and has no other occupation, applied for membership in the Bee Bee Sup. Alliance, in nearest lodge to him, and solely on account of personal malice and dislike by an influential member, had him black balled by a few votes. After the lapse of six weeks Col P applied for admission in the ... lodge which was the next nearest lodge. He was admitted unannounced. To this enemy took exception and reported to lodge to County Alliance, which first tried to suspend the #13 lodge for discourtesy to the Bee Bee lodge, but after the speech of Col P on his own behalf, reconsidered the matter and admitted the unsettled question back to the Alliance as aforesaid for further consideration. The ... Alliance

Should get a map from the Bible  
Alliance to remain in Alliance, but in lieu  
of this, on last Saturday we had a meeting  
said Col P was in fact a false enemy  
it) & he being absent induced Col P friends,  
to vote for a resolution appointing a committee  
of three to confer with the F B Alliance, and ask  
to suspend Col P, until he secured a permit  
from P, D and then have him reballeted far and  
no initiated at F B, which would certainly  
defeat Col P as his P D enemies (only two or 3 I  
am proud to say) have own brothers at F B. That  
would black ball him beyond question, I and  
nine tenths of the members of both Alliances  
contend that there is no use of his being reballeted  
for again at Fall Branch. Your decision will  
settle this vexing question. Enclosed you will find  
Alexander's letter which you will please return  
our answer to this letter. Please answer  
in mail as Fall Branch Alliance  
meets next Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> next  
your friend & bro  
Jas. W. Currie