

Ramseur, N. C. (Randolph co)

April 15 1890

President. E. L. Carr,

Old Sparta, N. C.

Dear Sir & Bro-

I write to you for the good & interest  
of the Farmers Alliance in this country & I want to ask a  
few questions if it is not out of order, & this is my question  
Is Stockholders ~~to~~ & Directors of a Incorporated  
Factory eligible to the Farmers Alliance.

Question First. Second. And dont it require a application  
to apply to the nearest Alliance <sup>for</sup> to become a member.

Question Third. And if a person that works as a hard  
hand for Incorporation Co, who is of good moral  
character & is a member of the Co, & by his acts has shown  
to us, that he will make a good member & be of  
advantage to the Farmers Alliance & works for our interest.  
Regardless of what the Co says of us, is such person  
eligible to the Farmers Alliance or not

Mr. Carr - I will try to give you some explanation  
in my weak and feeble way & why I ask the first &  
second question & now on the subject I write a bout  
is confidential to you, for the man that has joined  
the Alliance is one of my nearest neighbors, but



in explanation just write to me  
in you to others ~~who~~ Who can give you <sup>more</sup> perhaps  
I can. Buffalo Ford Alliance. No. 882. J. W. Dossell  
Pres of this alliance he is all so ~~the~~ ~~the~~ organizer &  
just to think about it, looks as if it was useless to  
write this letter for he ought to know what he is  
doing. I will tell you what that alliance done  
last Saturday evening. They Initiation a stockholder  
cotton factory, that lives near to my alliance than  
as to them & when we was organized & I have  
it had the he up till a week ago so ago  
us & said if he could get in ~~to~~ for 50 cts he  
did not mind to pay it first to find out the  
secrets & he would tell them. But I never heard  
him say so my self. But two ~~the~~ other Bro  
of the alliance said they did. But he wanted  
me to take his name to my alliance & I talk with  
him a while & I told him that I did though he  
could not joined. ~~for~~ all though he runs a farm  
& ask him if he ~~the~~ could joined the alliance which  
would he ~~the~~ work ~~the~~ most, for the alliance or whe-  
re he had his money invested & he did not answer directly.  
But after while he said  
with oath that thought we ought to let him <sup>anyhow</sup> joined,  
& he said that they wanted him to joined at Buffalo  
& so he did joined there & they have sent for ~~a~~  
one of the Directors <sup>of the same factory</sup> that he could joined & he lives  
nearer our alliance than to the next see nos.

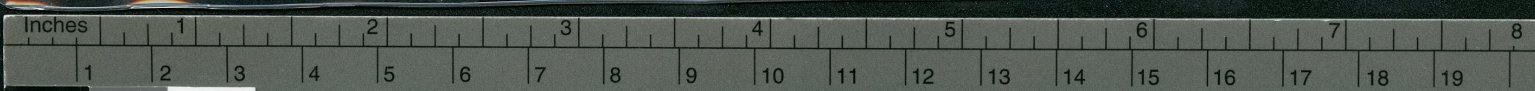




I am at Buffalo. I ask pardon for writing  
 you. But what I wrote is so.  
 And I told my alliance that I was going to  
 write to you. They requested me to <sup>do so</sup> write to  
~~you~~. But the name of the Secretary of  
 Buffalo Ford Alliance No. 882 is. N. E. Cox.  
 And his post office is Buffalo Ford, <sup>Neb.</sup>

The name of my Alliance is  
 Hickory Grove sub-Alliance No. 7375.

Fraternaly, your Bro  
 P. S. Bro. Barr A. H. York  
 please write me a  
 private letter and let me  
 know when they did write or not & oblige  
 Fraternal  
 A. H. York





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And by taking him in I am satisfied it has hurt  
the cause in this neighborhood & I hear several  
farmers taken a bout the way the alliance has  
done at Buffalo by taking him in, that they  
had thought they would join the alliance &  
they said if they understood the alliance they had  
no business with a stockholder of a Factory in the  
alliance & for that reason they should joined at  
presently I am satisfied it would be more ad-  
vantage<sup>ble</sup> the alliance cause if they had not took him  
in. Now Bro. Carr keep my name a secret But  
if you want to know any more a bout just  
write to me & I have a letter wrote for my alliance  
& others on subject of taking him in. Any re-  
son for wanted my name kept a secret would  
cause a big fuss with him But if you see  
that you need my name to it cant do with  
out it. — just put it to it & if they have