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Dear Sir & Mrs:

Your letter to me was delayed as the enclosed letter of Bro. Avery will explain. I think your suggestion very good & they meet with approbation, owing to previous engagements I cannot be in Raleigh before the 13th Feby, and if you have not already advertised our meeting you that day would like to postpone it

Wednesday 13th Feb^y - and
if you have done so. & think
you cannot get through
the business in one day. I
can come down on the 13th
and confer with you. My
County Alliance has had
a hard time to raise fund to
run a L. M. House at Fiddisvie
We have at last gotten in
good condition with funds
sufficient. and I hope now
to induce our brethren to
aid the State in getting
up Agency funds.

Fraternally Yours

J. S. Johnston