

[To: Hon. Elias Carr, Old Sparta, N.C.]

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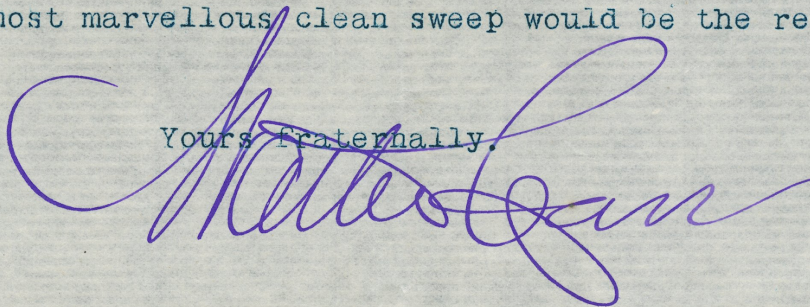
My Dear Kinsman,

Yours of the 3rd inst. was duly received and I had entirely overlooked your request for blanks, etc. I mailed some blanks to you two or three days since, and trust they reached you all right. I have been so much diverted of late by my business that I have not prosecuted the genealogical work with as much energy and attention as I would have liked, but I keep doing a little all the time. You are no doubt aware that I am only a voluntary assistant in this matter, giving Mr. E. I. Carr of Rockton, Illinois all the aid I possibly can in the accomplishment of his great undertaking. The same or a similar field to the one I occupy is open to every one in interest. I do not expect any pecuniary reward for my time and money expended. All I ask is a good history of the family in order that we may know more about ourselves and our relatives, and also our relations to this country and the world at large.

I hope the Farmer's Alliance is making great progress, but I also hope it will not make a mistake and inaugurate third party lines. The Democratic party can be utilized to accomplish the aims of the Alliance better than they can be accomplished by a third party. In my judgment the Alliance

throughout the United States and the Democratic party should combine on Mr. Cleveland as the very best representative at present of the whole people's interest. Any other course is sure to prove disastrous and to play into the hands of the enemy, but if Mr. Cleveland is nominated every faction opposed to the methods of the dominant party of the Fifty-first Congress ^{would} ~~can~~ combine and a most marvellous clean sweep would be the result.

Yours fraternally,



Hon. Elias Carr,
Old Sparta,
N. C.