

Airlie N.C. 4-29-91

My dear Bro Carr

Yours of the 27th cov-
ering a clipping from The Chroni-
cle, which recites some dark
works attributed to "Rit" Of course
it must be authentic. Thanks for
your trouble. Poor Rit is gone. I do
sincerely lament his want of integ-
rity. He could have been so useful
to us, with his intelligence supported
by principle, but alas! alas!

We reached Wilson just a little ahead
of time, found the County Alliance in
session, which we attended, delivered
private lecture, attended to all other
requirements & elected a No! County
lecturer & agreed to pay him ⁴ 3.00 per
day & had withal an interesting &
profitable meeting - The brethren

seemed to be nettled & discouraged
& I confidently look for a good
report from Wilson. I was cordially
invited to attend another meeting
in this County in July or August.
My public lecture was delivered
in the afternoon to a large and
exceedingly attentive audience
(Bob W^m said, he never saw one
more so, on any occasion) We read
Bath's Sunday evening. Spent a pleasant
day with him & went to Dr. Spingler's on
Monday evening. Tuesday morning to
Whitaker's where I found a much
larger audience than anticipated
& Bob W^m thought I made a better
speech than at Parkers or Wilson.
I have had the strictest attention
at every point & feel encouraged
that I may yet make a fair lecture
& bring my undertaking to success-
ful issue. - As usual it be - Am pleased

to know that you succeeded
 in getting out a good setting of
 tobacco plants. I found my work
 progressing satisfactorily at
 home in the hands of my boys.
 Will try to get to see you as soon
 as I may be able. I am under
 promise by invitation to meet
 the brethren & deliver a lecture
 at Scotlandville soon, and
 will probably go to your house
 from there. I want to have
 a day or two's talk with you.
 I think however it is advisable
 to postpone this visit to Scot-
 landville until after the crops
 are planted. Enclosed find
 the article from Ball. I don't
 know what to think of Ball's
 public attacks on Macrene &
 our Dub Times plan. Enjoyed
 my visit to your house, and

Am always glad to meet you
by I care at any time serve
you in any way, command
me. Love to El & the girls

Fratrively yr friend
E. A. Thorne