

Fayetteville, N. C.

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Elias Carr, Esq.

Old Sparta, N. C.

Dear Sir;

You will doubtless remember during the session of 1889, at your request -and at the instance of Mr. Hood of Mecklenburg, by whom I was selected for the purpose-I undertook to lead the opposition to the tax which Col. Cotton wished to impose on the Farmers of your section;

At the end of that fight, we being victorious, in thaking me for my work in behalf of the Farmers of your section, you voluntarily said that you would at all times hold yourself ready to speak a word in my behalf, and to show that in the Legislature of 1889, I was the friend of the Farmers, in all thiggs they resonably asked for, and I know of no unreasonable demand that they made;

I have letters to this effect, from Mr. J. W. Hood of Mecklenburg-L. D. Baucom of Wake-Foscue of Jones-Cherry of Pitt-Marsh of Beaufort-Harrington of Harnett, and others-some of whom say, that I was the Farmers leader from the legal members in the last session, and for this reason I was presented with a gift by the FARMERS of the last House, as a testimonial of their appreciation, the presentation speech being made by Mr. Hood of Mecklenburg, who put it upon that special ground;

I write now to ask a letter to me from you as to what your experience and observation was of my work in the last session on his line, and if you will do so, I beg that you write me by return mail; With high regards,

I am yours respectfully,

*Thomas H. Sutton*

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