

# Beasley Supply Company,

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## Clarke & Beasley Registering Locks,

BANK OF BALTIMORE BUILDING,

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

My Dear Elias,

I have seen the papers and of course learned that you have been nominated by the Democratic party for Governor. Most people will congratulate you upon your nomination, but I cannot, for I really do not believe that either your nomination or your election will add anything to your happiness in this world. It will of course make you more prominent in the State, and many who never knew you will try to persuade you they have been your life-long friends. I am a little fearful that you will drop into the usual way and believe more of them than will be good for your peace and happiness of mind. My feelings towards you have not been changed in the least by your good fortune, and will not change unless, when we meet again, I find your head has grown perceptibly.

I am not and never was much of a talker, but the little ability I have, in that line, is at your disposal, if you think the brain behind the tongue is of sufficient force to elucidate any ideas which, if properly explained to the good people of North Carolina, would have a tendency to induce them to vote more unitedly for you.

Please remember me warmly to Mrs. Carr, and say to her that I hope she will talk to you so sensibly and keep you down so strongly, in the path of common sense, that you won't forget your poor friends when elevated to the supreme position of Governor of your State.

Sincerely your friend,

*W. F. Beasley*

P.S.--- Some years ago I presented you with a single stud. In the coming campaign the contest will be so warm I am confident you will have to shed your coat, and not being willing that you should exhibit a shirt front with only one stud I send you herewith a full set. On them I have had carved the best representation of aspen leaves I could induce the fellow to make. My object in sending them to you is not for them to be used as an advertisement of the business you formerly followed, and that I now know your getting up in the world will induce you to abandon.