

[Old Sparta, N.C.]

Weldon, N. C., April 3^d 1899

Gov Elias Carr,

Dear Gov-

Have just reached here from home and find your favor. High water has prevented us from turning a wheel this year and we have neither bran or hulls on hand. My cattle are living upon wild onions. There is a break in Canal requiring about 10 days to repair, by that time your calves no doubt will be upon your meadows. We have on hand about 5000 bus of wheat, sound but musty. - it will be ground and sold as ship stuff at about 45 or 60. per bus. It belongs to the state and will be disposed of by them. If you need any of this advice and I will do the best possible. As you have seen am out of public life for good. Have some friends to reward and some enemies to settle with and I hope to ~~be~~ live sufficiently long to settle with both with interest compounded -

Am rather blue as to my farming - for the
first time am to day breaking up - My wheat
looks fairly well only a few acres damaged
by the flood. Not mentioning how John was
I hope he has recovered and the rest on all
well. With kindest regards to all.

I am much sincerely
Jas. W. Wilson

The letter has not reached me, but I thank you
in advance - know its will be enjoyed - about we
buy here is sorry.

J.W.