

F. C. VAN STONE,
EXPORTER OF HARDWOOD LUMBER,
20 BROAD STREET, NEW YORK.

CABLE ADDRESS, STONEVAN, NEW YORK.
A. B. C. CODE, LUMBERMAN'S STANDARD CODE.

New York July 9th.1900.

Messrs Carr & Battle,

Tarborough, NC.

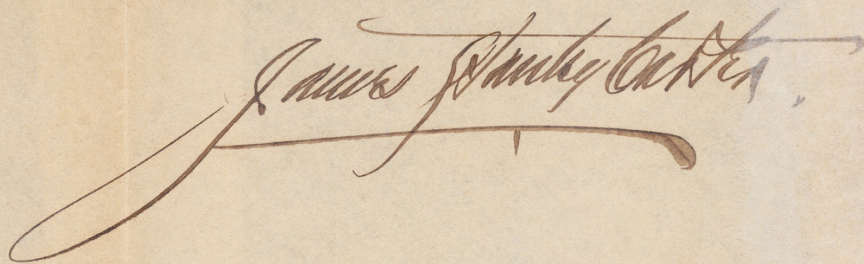
Gentlemen:-

I have received your favor of recent date in regard to the Cedar and also have the samples sent at the same time.

The firm of James S. Carter & Co. has recently dissolved partnership, and I have formed a connection with the above gentleman, in whose interests I will go to Europe in a short time. I intend calling on all the leading lead pencil manufacturers, and will ascertain all the facts, and immediately have the New York office advise you.

We will buy f.o.b. mills. Trusting we may have the pleasure of doing some business with you I am Very truly, Yours,

J.S.C.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James S. Carter". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "J.S.C.". It features a large, sweeping flourish that extends under the name.