Dear Sir;-

The American selicits your examination of the enclosed article relative to a Tennessee Centennial Exposition, to be held in 1896, to celebrate the one hundredth aniversary of the admission of this State to the Union, which occurred June 1st 1796.

This proposition recently advanced by the American, has been received with favor by the press and people of the State.

As you will perceive, the Exposition would relate to the resources, agricultural, mineral and arboreal of Tennessee alone; it would aim to present a "bird's" eye view" of the progress of Tennessee during the first cuntury of its existence, in Mamufactures, Commerce, Agriculture; the arts and sciences etc.. In that aspect, it is purely a Tennessee Enterprise; but, knowing that each of the southern States views with warm sympathy and cordial endersement the efforts of others to advance their material fertunes, Tennessee is confident that its purpose to observe, in a practical way, the centennial of its state-hood, will receive the approval of other Commonwealths.

It is their conviction which encourages the hope that you, as the representative of your State, will indicate good wishes for our enterprise now in hand. It is proper to explain that a communication to this has been addressed to each of the Southern Governors, in the knowledge that the publication of evidence of their generous approval

of our plans would have a most happy effect among our people in the execution of the proposition now before them.

Requesting your prompt consideration of this matter, the American tenders assurance that any manifestation of interest in the project would be highly appreciated and useful. With respect,

Very truly yours,

THE AMERICAN

His Excellency, Governor Elias Carr.,

Raleigh, N. C.

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