Nashville, Tenn. Jan. 23rd 1894

Dear Sir;-
The American solicits your examination of the enclosed article relative to a Tennessee Centemial 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 resourcm es, agricultural, mineral and arboreal of Tennessee alone; it would aim to present a "bird's" eye view" of the progress of Temnessee 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 fortunes, Tennessee is confident that its purpose to observe, in a practical way, the centenaial of its state hood, will receive the approval of other Commonwealths.

It is their conviction which encourages the hope that you, as the represeatative of your State, will indicate good wishes for our eater prise now in hand. It is proper to explain that a commanication to this has been addressed to each of the Southern Governors, in the knowledge that the publication of evidence of their generous approvalof our plans would have a most happy effect among our people in theexecution 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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