W. S. CHADWICK, PRESIDENT. President's Office,

Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad Co.,

New Bern, N.C., Sept 3rd 1896

Governor Elias Carr,

Raleigh N.C.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed herewith I hand you balance sheet from the Auditor of this Company showing the operations of the same for the fiscal year ending June 30th 1896, which I trust will be satisfactory to you.

The treasurer of the Company has a cash balance on hand and in bank on Sept Ist 1896 \$45,623,50.

With regard to the dividend to be declared by the Company, I am of the opinion that it would be better for all concerned to make it two per cent instead of one and a half per cent on the Capital Stock if it agrees with your wishes will you kindly advise; as to this as early as it may suit you to do so?.

Yours very truly

President