



*Oak Ridge, N.C.* March 22nd, 18 97.

Col. Elias Carr,

Old Sparta, N. C.,

Dear Sir:-

As this is the month for my board to come due I will have to call on you for money to pay it, and one dollar for washing, which makes ten dollars.

Also, please enclose me about five dollars extra for summer under-wear. Had a letter from home the other day saying that I must get me a suit of clothes this month, and must I send to you for money to buy them here or let her get them there, as she spoke of? I think I could get cheaper ones here and besides I could suit myself better. Will not need them just now. Will write when necessary.

Hoping to hear from you at your earliest convenience, I remain as ever,

Yours very truly,

*J. A. Coker*