

Creek P.O.,  
Warrington County, N.C.  
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Mr. Elias Carr

My dear friend

Your rent

cotton for the D. S. place  
is ready, will have it carried to  
Warrington about Thursday next  
& will leave it with Mr. J. M.  
Gardner subject to your order  
I have just seen William Wren  
the man that rents your place  
he wants it for another year, & has  
offered me fifty dollars for it.  
Mr. Wren Harris also wants it &  
says he wrote to you about it  
& that you refused him to see  
I told William I could not  
take his offer until I saw Harris  
& he said he was going to write  
to you today, so I thought I

would let you know how the  
matter stands, Harris says he will  
pay more for it than William  
but I have not seen him since  
William's offer, Harris is a white  
man and a good democrat,  
William owns a little store in  
the fall & winter & the stand  
& farm to him is well worth  
seventy five dollars, though  
I think for farming alone fifty  
dollars would be a fair price,  
I will see Harris in a few  
days & will let you hear from  
me, Hoping you are well  
& with kind regards to  
yourself & family I am as  
ever your friend &c  
R.W. Alston