

Norfolk Va Dec. 18th /94.

Gov: Elias Carr
Raleigh, N.C.

Dear Sir:— We note what you say in yours
of 17th inst, relative to the notes of Mrs
Overby to you, held by us as Collateral
Security. and in reply have to say that
we would be obliged if you would, as
you suggest, give us other Collateral
in place of your claim against her.

We must say that although we are
"fond of the ladies" as old Gov. Vance
used to say. we don't want to have any
business transactions with them. We are
bound by the law, as you know of course,
to collect, or put in process for collection,
all notes, & other obligations, against all
makers thereof, when due, which may
be held by us as Collaterals, & therefore
we dislike to hold as Collateral, any
obligations against a woman. We
make it a rule never to have
any business dealings with women,
if we can prevent it. We trust that
you understand & appreciate our motives
in the matter. Yours truly
C. W. Handy & Son