FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, HENRY W. BATTLE, PASTOR, PETERSBURG, VA., August 31. 1895. His Excellency Elias Corr Movemor of North Cardina. Dear Governor: I have been here - the home of my son, at the bedsede of my sick wife, since the 1st of March the is still unable to sit rife, but I hope that we can return home before very long.

Rauson's treatment of me, as you Know, greatly emborasses me, but I have no clear of leaving the party on that soon as circumstances will permit it well afford me pleasure to Cooperate with you in party movements and patriate public serviers. Thave today seen, with much regret The ways of God are part fending out. We can truly bord in humble submission to his will. Jours very bullen A. Battle