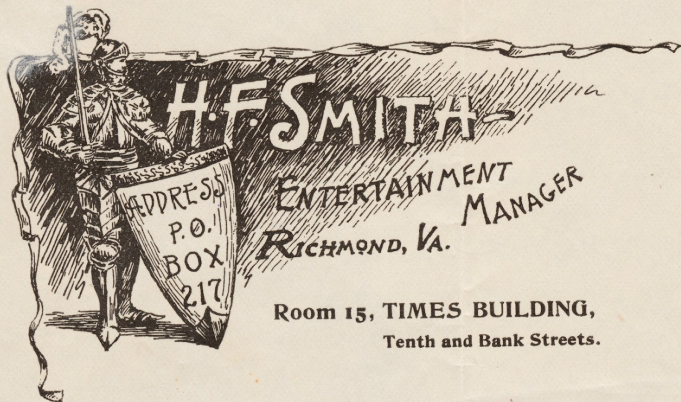


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Gov. Elias Carr,

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Dear Sir:-

The unquestioned success in North Carolina of Mr. Polk Miller with his dialect recital, and the popularity of Mr. Leo. Wheat as a pianist, of the same State together with the fact that the number of newspapers in North Carolina and some of the best of the citizens of your State, having requested that Messrs Miller & Wheat make a tour of the principal cities and towns of North Carolina and give their delightful entertainment, has prompted me to think that the entertainment might be made doubly successful if placed under the auspices of some cause which had the thorough sympathy of the people. Dr. Robt. S. Young of Concord, suggested the Vance Monument Fund and upon his recommendation I submitted a proposition a few days ago to the Hon. R. H. Battle who informed me in communication dated Jan. 17th, that he would refer the matter to you as chairman of the Executive Committee of the Vance Monument Fund. I write to say that I am holding the month of March open pending your decision. That in Feb. Mr. Miller's time is entirely taken in Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York and in April he returns to Mississippi and Tennessee, also that in order to place the matter before the people of North Carolina thoroughly through the newspapers and other mediums of advertising, arrangements should be completed at the earliest possible moment.

Trusting to hear from you in the premises at the earliest possible moment, I am,

Yours respectfully,

will agree to give the influence of the
name of the Association and assist in
advertising thro local committees & news-
papers but will not overcome any
part of expenses. Our terms will be ^{equal} ~~an~~ ^{division}
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