

My residence being  
out of the city,  
in Mill work, I  
think your purpose  
would be better  
served by intrusting  
it to some person  
living in Charlotte  
Mr. H. C. Jones, Miss  
Armitstead Burwell  
Mrs. Clement, or  
Mrs. B. L. Dewey.

Charlotte, N.C.

Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>

Gov. Elias Carr.

Sir,

Thank ap-  
precating the honor  
your appointment  
confers on me,  
I regret & exceedingly  
my inability to  
accept the same

Thanking you for the Com-  
pliment & kind attention  
of the appointment.

I am very Respectfully  
Yours -

M. R. McDowell