

Gunston N. C.

Feb. 22. 1896.

Gov. Elias Carr,

Raleigh, N. C.

Dear Sir,

Your valued favor of the 19th inst. received and carefully noted. Whilst I feel myself unequal to the task, yet for the admiration I had, and have for the late lamented Senator Vance I will accept your trust and do the best I can to make the occasion a financial success.

I have not been able to select the necessary committees yet, but will at once, and report to the Secretary their names. I shall want to know the admission fee as early as possible and also to know if we will be allowed to make special rates with the young ladies of the female schools here. Allow me to sincerely thank you for the trust reposed in me and to say I shall give the matter my

best efforts and most careful attention.

Very respectfully,
Wm. John L. King.