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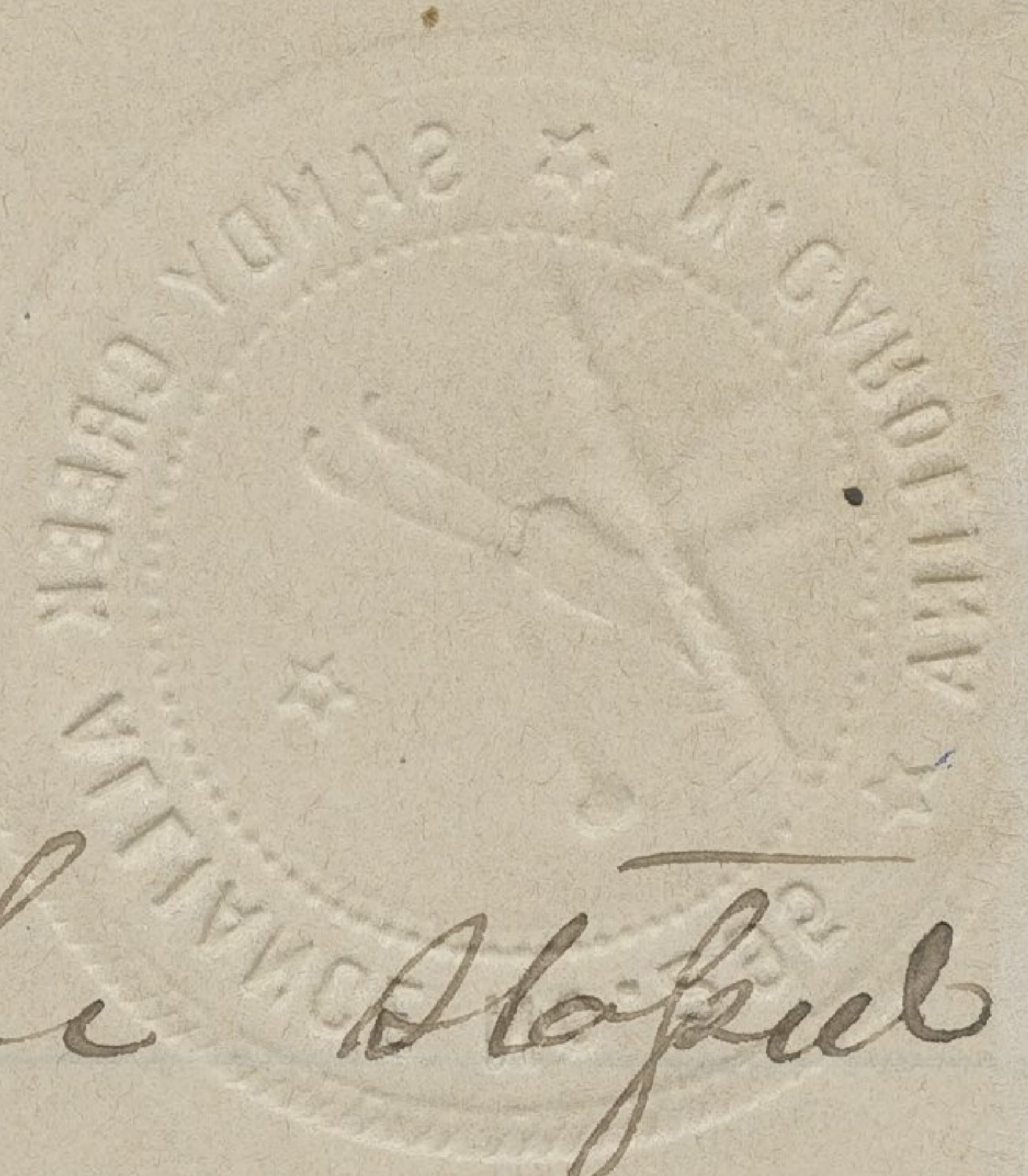
Dear Sir & Bro

yours of 22^d rec^d & noted

it may be that you cannot
understand our case there
has been a man Black Balled
and there is great dissatisfaction
about it + he is without doubt
under as good character as any
man in the Alliance + he has
been Black Balled before + the
parties doing it acknowledged it
and gave the reason for
doing so + a majority of the
members believe it was the
same parties that cannot
deny it but will not own

it but demand the proof
There is but one way to
prove it that is to ask
each member present at the
time how he voted. I cannot
see the use of a witness
unless he can be questioned
if a man can not be questioned
about what he or others do
then there is nothing you
can turn a man out of
the Order for if a man
is to make his own statement
and not be questioned then
the Alliance is a cloak
for rascality and no man
can say aught against him
Our committee are the good
of the Order has reported
the Black Ball illegal

but cannot say who
the parties were without
asking the witness who cast
the ballot which you say
they know are right to
use the parties charged
ought not to belong to the
Order but under your
rule they can not be turned
out. I am sorry to
differ with you but if
we can not question a witness
what is the use of one
if we have no witness what
is the use of a committee
if we have no committee what
is the use of a constitution
if we have no constitution
what is the use of an
Alliance under your
rule in our case the
Alliance is a failure



and had better be stopped
at once. I hope you
will think over the matter
& if you see how we can
remedy the case let me
hear from you at once

Yours & C
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