



Carpsboro N.C.
Aug 7th 1890

Elias Carr Esq.

Dear Sir & Bro

By order of this body. I am ordered to write to you for instructions. We had a brother in our order who was a Country Merchant or selling goods to the public, and we suspended him last January, and our last meeting Aug 2nd he sent in a petition to join again, claiming to have more interest in farming than merchandising. But on investigating the matter, it was deemed necessary to correspond with you in regard to this petition. The gentleman is a good moral man, an excellent farmer but sells goods to the public under license. He owns & carries on a 5 horse farm. His business as a merchant is under a Grocery style. He desires to come back in the order and we wish you to instruct us what to do. He states that he wishes to furnish his household with goods and sell some few of his own produce. Let us hear from you.