Batesville, Ala, August 31<sup>st</sup> 1891

Mr. Edward McIntyre

Savannah, Ga

Dear Sir

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of South Carolina, will hold its \_\_\_\_Annual Convention in the City of Augusta, Ga., commencing on the 21<sup>st</sup> of October \_\_\_\_\_\_. & the Synod of Georgia will meet in the month following. It is my earnest desire to attend both of these meetings; \_\_\_\_ forum because at its convention in Effingham Count, GA in Nov, 1840, I was solemnly ordained to the work of the Gospel Ministry, this being consequently the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of my ordination. Being a member of the latter body, since 1870 & having failed only once in that time to attend its \_\_\_\_\_\_, it is my desire to keep up my record from \_\_\_\_\_\_. But inasmuch I am very much \_\_\_\_\_\_ in financial matters, so that I cannot afford the expense of transportation, I am constrained to apply, through you to the C R R authorities for an extension of their courtesy to enable me to attend these meetings, \_\_\_\_\_\_ by the aid of Dr Boineau & yourself. I received courtesy of the officials of the C R R on my attendance at the meeting of the Georgia Lyons held last year in Fla for which I shall ever be grateful to you & them, & a similar \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the present occasions will be most highly appreciated.

I write this early to ascertain the result of my application in time to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_preparations, if your officials should respond favorably.

Awaiting their decision, I remain

Most Respectfully, Yours John P Margart Batesville Barbour County, Ala 1891