

# TO THE PEOPLE OF LANCASTER COUNTY:

We are advised that a certain report is being circulated in Lancaster and vicinity, to the effect that Mr. Harry Hirsch, a member of our firm, is held and detained in New York City by the Federal Government as a Slacker or a Spy. This report is infamously false, without a tissue of truth, and could arise only out of calculating malice. Mr. Harry Hirsch is in New York City engaged in legitimate business; and neither he, nor any of us, yields to any man in loyalty to the United States Government as citizen and patriot.

During our residence among you we are happy to believe that we have won general esteem and many warm friendships; and we decline to rest passively under this unwarranted and outrageous charge.

A reward of One Thousand Dollars, \$1,000.00, will be paid for the apprehension and conviction of the person, or persons, who originated the slander.

## L. HIRSCH & SONS

Lancaster, S. C., August 8th, 1917.