

Watauga Democrat.

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Having read your editorial in your issue of the 9th inst. and knowing that you would not intentionally do an injustice to the inhabitants of any section of the good old North State, I take the liberty of correcting a grievous wrong done the citizens, not to mention the Republicans, of Mitchell county.

"You stated 'That not content with having taken forcible possession of his newspaper and changed its politics from Democratic to Republican, a vigilance committee has now chased Editor Smith, of the Mitchell County Record out of Mitchell county altogether.' that he held 'obnoxious political tenets' and 'had been accused of what is vaguely termed immorality.'"

You further add insult to injury by stating that he is in danger of being 'mistaken for a prowling revenue officer, or otherwise fail of a safe deliverance,' meaning, I suppose, that it is unsafe for revenue officers to try to execute their duty in Mitchell county.

Now, Mr. Editor, you have either been grossly misled by some lying correspondent in whom you placed, or rather misplaced your confidence, or you have wilfully, for purposes best known to your self, misrepresented the true situation in order to cast a slur upon the citizens and Republicans of Mitchell county, than whom no truer, more honest nor virtuous a people ever rallied to the cause of purity in home or public life.

The true facts in the case are these: About one year ago one F. S. Starrette, claiming as his home Mooresville, N. C., a man whom we afterwards found to be a mongrel cur, whelped from the lowest depths of the infernal region, came to this county to start a newspaper; he came penniless and the citizens, Republicans and Democrats alike, rallied to help him; they assisted him with money, with subscriptions, with advertisements and even so far as to endorse his note with which he paid for his newspaper outfit.

The paper was strictly non-political, non-sectarian and advocated prohibition in the strongest terms; its motto 'The Uplifting of Mitchell County,' its name 'The Mitchell Observer.'

That the paper was well supported is attested by the fact that the subscription list numbered over thirteen hundred, but in spite of this he failed to meet the notes given on the outfit and still the citizens gave him a hearty support.

He was prominent in the church, a teacher in the Sunday school and was received with a cordial welcome in the homes of the best families in this section, until rumors began to circulate in regard to his morality; the rumors became alarming and forthwith the citizens met and appointed a committee, composed of two Democrats and three Republicans, to investigate. The committee summoned the editor to meet them and laid the charges before him, and without a blush or even an expression of sorrow for his conduct, he admitted to the heinous crime of debauching young boys in a manner too vile, beastly and revolting to be mentioned or even thought of by manly minds.

He was given twenty-four hours to leave town, and it is needless to say he left; he did not tarry or 'stay upon the manner of his going'; he left in a few hours, and that he was allowed to leave with a whole skin, speaks volumes for the forbearance and Christian charity of the citizenship of a long suffering and deceived people.

The mortgage on the printing outfit was foreclosed and is now in the hands of the hands of the sheriff awaiting a purchaser. I hope that with this explanation of the true facts in the case you will see fit to publish this letter verbatim et liberatim, in order to correct the impression obtained through your columns which has done an honest and God-fearing people a grievous wrong.

DAVID H. S. TAPPIN. Bakersville, April 10.

The Return of Uncle 'Jeff.'

Hon. Jefferson Zig Zag Davis has returned again to Congress from his native heath. That feeling of 'goneness' at the national capitol is once more relieved.

With the ozone of the plains in his nostrils, and the plaudits of his constituents still ringing in his ears, the renewed enthusiasm generated may lead our Uncle Jeff to still greater achievement. He may even give us another oration similar to that which marked his maiden appearance in the arena of national life.

Uncle Jeffries, it will be recalled, was forced to snatch his personality from the scene of action in Washington and return to Arkansas where certain anti-Davis emissaries had been committing depredations on his flock of native admirers. With the weak places in his political machinery all mended and re-oiled the Senator from Arkansas is now enabled to give more of his attention to the weal of his fellow men in those other states which are not in position to demand first attention.

No doubt the lethargy witnessed on all hands in Congress must have been disappointing to him of the plains, fresh from a rattling of dry bones—for the pulsation of new life in the ranks of the jaded. With one or two resounding flights of eloquence and an injection of that 'whoop 'em up' western spirit, it is very likely the blaze law-makers will awaken to the realization that some sort of legend must be left to their 'sleepy hollow.'

It will be remembered that Uncle Jeffries, after making his debut, introduced a resolution which provides for the total annihilation of trusts. It will be further remembered that Uncle Jeffries said he'd get the resolution out of the hands of the Senate committee who guarded its slumbers, or 'know why.' Now that the time for getting it out of the hands of the senatorial morgue has arrived, we await with keenest anticipation the commencement of that process of knowing why. Press correspondents had best have their pencils trimmed and their ears alert, for this son of the tall and unowned prairies will, without a doubt, start a 'hot time in the old town.'

"If Thaw is ever set free," said Evelyn Nesbit Thaw's counsel with reference to a statement by the esteemed Harry that he would win his wife back when he got loose, "he will not be able to see Mrs. Thaw for the dust she will raise getting away from him." Nobody can blame Evelyn, but it is pretty hard on the poor orangutan at Mattewan prison.

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A STATEMENT.

Reports having reached me that the Lenoir Mills of which I am part owner and Manager, were using adulterated material in the manufacture of the flour at these mills, and further that this fact has been detected by some person in authority, and in consequence of which, I as the owner and manager of these mills was arrested and put under heavy bond. I desire to say when these rumors first reached me I was inclined to treat them as unworthy of an intelligent or serious notice, however having been informed that this report has spread rapidly over the country, I now in justice to my friends and my own reputation as an honest business man denounce this report as an infamous, baseless falsehood, unworthy of consideration for a moment. The affairs of the Lenoir Mills are conducted in an open honest manner and are subject to the inspection of all fair minded persons.

For the benefit of any one who may be inclined to believe this groundless rumor, I will give a reward of \$5,000.00 who will find any adulterations in the flour manufactured by the Lenoir Mills. What the motive behind this slander of me I do not know neither do I care to only denounce it as false.

LENOIR MILLS, by O. P. LUTZ MANAGER Lenoir, N. C. April 8th. 1908.

To the Public:

A report has been current through the country that the Lenoir Mills has been charged with using 'Tae' in the adulteration of their flour, that a special detective has discovered the same, in consequence of which Mr. O. P. Lutz the managing proprietor had been arrested and put under heavy bond, pending to trial of such allegation. I claim to be the ardent friend of every industrial establishment in Lenoir and having heard this report in a distant part of the county in the interest of justice I have investigated Mr. Lutz was disposed to pay no attention to it, believing that such unfounded report would fall of its own weight and absurdity. I have no motive in writing this other than to protect as honorable and straightworthy a concern as does business in Lenoir from unjust and infamous imputation and I will say that there is not the slightest ground for so untruthful report, and Mr. Lutz authorizes me to say, which I do cheerfully, that he will thank his friends to emphatically deny such a slander.

Very truly, J. G. HALL. 4-9-4 times.

Entry Notice No. 2478

State of North Carolina, Watauga county, office of entry taker for said county. Granville Triplett locates and enters to acres of land on the waters of Elk creek in Elk township, beginning on a sourwood in or near Marshal Triplett's line, then west to the old 98 acre tract, then south to Louis Triplett's line, then east to the Nance Triplett entry, then north to the beginning, for complements, so as to include all the vacant land. Entered March 21, 1908.

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"Hold on jus' half a minute, I want jus' one word with you."

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