

**JACK TRIED TO BRIBE THE JURY WITH MEAL AT HOTEL**

**Well-Known Local Character Wanted**

**Big Damages, and Made Appeal in Own Behalf Before Superior Court.**

Although Professor Jack Williams, well-known local character, and the man who ran the hogs out of Monroe, made a hard fight to win his own case in Superior court Tuesday, he failed to receive a favorable verdict from the jury. From the start to finish the Professor handled his own case, and even made an appeal to the jury.

The court stenographer took down Jack's speech in shorthand, and at the request of a number of court attendants, The Journal is printing it. The speech was of a rambling nature, and it was hard for Jack, with his meager attainments, to confine his remarks entirely to the issue at stake. The speech follows:

"Gentlemen of the jury, and Your Honor, I have never made a speech before the jury before but I am called on today as a United States man and the United States says don't fool with no lawyer and I believe it. Jurymen I am asking for damage against the Jackson Cotton Mill for the injury to my leg and my time and what my time would have come to up to Saturday at eleven thirty. Jurymen you see that they have formed a conclusion amongst themselves up here and you see where somebody has drawn \$15.25 of my wages without any leave or license—that is they way they do us. If you jurymen is going to allow John Sikes or any other man to go down and issue papers without any cause or any grounds or any notice and then come up here and claim they give them ten day's notice—that is the way they do the poor cotton mill people—the cotton mill men and the ladies—don't you see they have rotten floors and bad places to kill them and they break their legs—and jurymen can't you decide to make them do better and I ask you to give me justice and right to the best of your ability. I am not able to explain it to you for I am no lawyer but I know this—the United States would allow it and you have got to decide this but I can hand that claim up to the United States and they will pay it at once but I am here for the court to give them a hearing over it and I ask you for damage to my leg for it is hurt and will hurt me the longest day I live and I don't expect I will ever be able to hold another section down in the mill and they have agreed to pay me \$10.90 a week and they have not. Here is what their arbitration was men. Here, you jurymen take and take it in the room with you—you have got better eyes than I have. That is the pay roll. The pay roll comes every week and these tickets show how much they have taken out. They took out \$118 or \$120 of my time. I have

got it here but I can't find it. "I seen that many and I will just leave this matter to you as good, honest citizens and upright men to decide this in the favor of the old man, crippled Jack Williams, who is fighting the court for his rights and asks you twelve men to give me damage and to give me \$65,000 damage and if you find you can't afford to give me that why make the damage heavy enough so it will pay the expenses of this court and you jurymen's fees, and also when you are done with the case why you jurymen go down to the hotel and get you a meal of victuals on Jack Williams. I mean to give you a meal of victuals—I would rather give it to you than to some lawyer and I want you jurymen to understand I am an honest man and I want to give you a meal of victuals for the lawyers fee, so bring back a verdict and have them pay me house rent for Mr. Merritt didn't allow me to pay any rent and he told me not to ever say anything about rent until he did and Mr. Walton—you see he didn't know anything and when he got up here on the stand he didn't seem to know anything. Men you see it—he had John Sikes to mislead you and John Sikes advised Mr. Knight to dispossess me and he had no right to the property at all. The mill company sent me up to be a super and I wasn't concerned with this contract—it was made before he come and I contend that he didn't have any right to turn the house into the office. Like we agreed—gentlemen—eight men there in the mill who know how to run all them spindles and all them cards, and when they seed the floor was rotten and I got hurt they seed that and as good free masons and fellow men and they sympathized with me enough to give me a life time job so I could make a living without begging for it and now you men decide in favor to give me the house rent free and I ought to have damage for the mill company makes plenty of money and is able to pay it. It has paid enough to pay all you jurymen. I look in the face of you good honest men to give me damage no matter what John Sikes claims for he is liable to prove a alibi or anything else. I think he has showed it in the court and also English—he was here so you needn't believe anything he says. I have tried them and when a man will take his pen and forge a thing against a man and slip down to the office and draw \$15.25 you know he is guilty of swearing, so that there has been plenty of evidence to show you what he will swear to. And there is no use in it—that shows it is a waste of court. "Now when Mr. Knight was up here he said they couldn't show any date of the papers that has been filed away in the office—claimed they had been sent away off yonder. They ain't been sent anywhere—I bet I can shake around their old rat's nests and find them and you can make it a murder for them to keep that rotten floor and try them in the next court for murder in the second degree. That is what it ought to be and that fellow John Sikes knows it. They have given the officers trouble and the

lawyers trouble. They don't think nothing of playing crack-a-loo down there. There is a common game with the little boys. There was some playing out by my house Sunday and they play down there every Sunday—that is their Sunday occupation and they don't none of them catch them and if you can catch them you can make them pay for it and the mill company ought not to allow them to do that around there. I ask you jurymen as fine citizens and fine gentlemen of Union county to help me fight this hateful cause down for I is ruining young men and young ladies and I ask you today to help the said Jack Williams to do this and so the officers in this town won't have any more trouble. So I ain't got no more to say until I hear from John Sikes."

**RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM & BAILEY**

**Mammoth Shows Are Now Combined And Announce Exhibitions at Early Date.**

The world's biggest amusement institution, Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Shows Combined, is to exhibit afternoon and night at Charlotte Monday, November 3rd. The consolidation of the "World's Greatest Shows" and the "Greatest Show on Earth" in one circus of colossal size, constitutes the amusement surprise of the country. Nothing to approach this gigantic, new circus has ever before toured America. It has been formed by merging the pick and the cream of all that was biggest and best in the two famous shows. It would be folly to attempt to enumerate its many wonders. Some idea of the enormous scale upon which features are presented may be had when it is stated that a quarter of a million pounds of elephants take part in a single act; in other words—six times as many of the big-eared giants than have ever before been seen in one main tent exhibition. All else to be seen is in proportion. The arena starts embrace all the world's foremost circus performers. There are three hours of novelties and big sensational acts. The menagerie is far and away the most colossal ever traveled. For instance—a herd of eight giraffes are exhibited in place of the two or three shown in the past. The great tournament which opens the main-tent program, is the most magnificent thing in pagentry yet produced in America. Hundreds upon hundreds of gorgeously costumed characters and beautiful horses take part in it. The morning street parade is the longest and most brilliant ever given anywhere. It is a stupendous super-circus that baffles description.

**Fresh Paint.**  
"Waiter," he called, sniffing the air suspiciously. "what is this smell of fresh paint around here?"  
"If you'll just wait a few minutes, sir," replied the waiter, "them two young ladies at the next will be going in a minute, sir."

**Influenza Again Appears Among Us**

With influenza again, among us wisdom and foresight dictate that every family should prepare to prevent and combat this disease. In the interest of humanity, physicians and laymen who were so successful last year in treating Influenza, Colds, Grippe, Croup and other diseases of the respiratory organs are recommending as the most effective treatment, the external remedy



Brame's Vapometha Salve, when applied to the chest and throat penetrates the pores of the skin and breaks up the congestion, at the same time healing vapors are carried direct to the infected membranes of the nasal passages, causing the phlegm to be loosened and inducing restful sleep. Brame's Vapometha Salve may be obtained at every drug store, or it may be had from the manufacturers direct, the Brame Drug Company of North Wilkesboro, N. C. Sold in three sizes, 30c, 60c and \$1.20. Complete directions accompany every package.

**NAVY WILL RELEASE THREE MILLION POUNDS OF SUGAR**

**Secretary Daniels Takes Steps to Relieve Sugar Shortage in United States.**

Advised that the Navy Department has in reserve 3,000,000 pounds of sugar, Secretary Daniels Tuesday intimated that he would release one-third of the stock or 3,000,000 pounds for public use to relieve the situation resulting from a nationwide shortage of the commodity. The present supply of the navy, Secretary Daniels said, was sufficient for six months, as only a three months surplus usually is kept on hand. Mr. Daniels indicated it would be unjust to retain more than that amount now when the entire country is experiencing a shortage. The War Department, however, unlike the navy found that its supply was running low, the supply being estimated as barely sufficient to last until December 15. Quartermaster General Rogers accordingly wired all zone supply officers that sales of sugar to any one person in the service must be limited to not more than six pounds per month and to not more than 24 pounds per month for each family. Secretary Daniels also said he had sent a message to all ships and stations of the navy calling for strict economy in the use of sugar, as wastefulness by the navy, even of its abundant supply would "not only be unpardonable but would reflect discredit upon the navy itself." **Pride goeth before a fall.** Curiosity is frequently an excellent quality.

**REAL CIRCUS DAY**



Tuesday, November 4, Marks the Coming of The Sparks World's Famous Shows to Monroe—Giving Two Complete Performances.

Circus day dawns with an indelible stir in the air that sets the small boy's heart to beating faster, and awakens pleasant memories in the minds of the gray beards who have not forgotten childhood's happy days. The people of this city and community will undoubtedly be treated to a tremendous surprise in the above show, as report has it that it is not only triple in size this season, but that it still retains those features that made it such a welcome visitor in past years, viz: Its freedom from all semblance of gamblers and fakirs, the high-class moral entertainment afforded and its honorable methods of doing business. The management of the Sparks World Famous Shows have not only ventured into a field of greater endeavor, but in so doing, it is said, have outdistanced tented rivals in a manner that leaves nothing to the imagination, with the additional telling advantage of being triple in size. All new in the matter of equipment and presentation, and still retaining the wonderful trained wild animal exhibition, which has done much to cause this show to become famous, it is the most remarkable amusement enterprise of its kind in the world today. The big street parade, while a feature of marvelous beauty and enormous expense, but is a slight remainder of the great pomp, opulence and bewildering brilliancy to be witnessed under the mammoth tents during the exhibitions. In other words the show is not all on the streets.

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**FORDSON Tractor Demonstration**

Twenty experts from Henry Ford and Son's factory will give a FORDSON Tractor Demonstration at Vann Sikes' farm, one mile east of Monroe, on

**Monday, Oct. 27**

beginning at 10 o'clock and lasting throughout the day. Actual demonstrations in plowing, harrowing, etc., will be made, and all farmers who contemplate buying a Tracor now or ever should be present.

**Refreshments Served**

A light lunch will be served on the grounds. So come prepared to stay all day.

**Other Demonstrations**

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