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ASSAULTED THE EDITOR

A Sensational Episode On Middle Street Saturday.

While in a Paroxysm of Rage Over An Imagined Insult W. W. Clark Attacks C. L. Stevens.

Editor C. L. Stevens was assaulted by attorney, W. W. Clark and Mr. D. W. Halley yesterday morning in front of G. N. Ennet's book store. The cause of the altercation was the publication in the New Bern Journal of Saturday morning of a card signed by L. G. Daniels and also the Editor in the same paper.

Mr. Clark appeared before Mayor Ellis in the police court Saturday afternoon and pleaded not guilty to the charge of assault with deadly weapon.

Messrs G. N. Ennet and A. E. Hibbard testified that after a brief conversation between Messrs Stevens and Clark which they did not understand, they saw the latter slap the former and then hit him with his fist. Mr. Stevens made an attempt to defend himself and at that time Mr. Halley who had been attracted to the scene struck at him, Clark then picked up a music rack and hit Mr. Stevens with it, following up the retreating editor with a slap or hit which made Mr. Stevens fall through Mr. Hibbard's show window.

Mr. Stevens then went into the store and Mr. Tom Waters got hold of the lawyer and took him away.

Mr. Clark spoke in his own defense and said in substance:

This morning while at breakfast I noticed as I read the New Bern Journal a communication signed by L. G. Daniels and also read an Editorial which I thought reflected on the Democratic delegation to Greensboro as well as myself.

When I got to my office I found my father in the office reading the same paper and shortly after, Mr. Thomas Daniels came in. We talked over the card and the Editorial and I said I was going to the Journal office and see Mr. Stevens and asked them to go along with him for I wanted some witnesses to the conversation.

Father said that would not be wise for if any violence should occur the presence of witnesses would make it appear like a premeditated assault. I left the office and upon reaching Middle street I saw the editor standing in front of Mr. Ennet's book store. As I passed Waters store I spoke to some men in the store to come out on the walk. I went on and when I got up with Mr. Stevens I asked if he was the author of the editorial in this morning's paper he said he was. I asked him if he had any personal references and he said he had none in particular, I then asked him if he had any in general and if I was one he said yes and a few others. I slapped him with one hand and hit him with my other fist and as he retreated I hit him again. I picked up a music rack which was standing in front of the store and struck at him and he fell through the window I don't know whether I struck him hard enough to push him through or not but it did not seem to me as if I did. When he got himself out and started into Ennet's store, Tom Waters came and pulled me away.

He made references during his testimony to Mr. Daniels and Mr. Stevens which was merely an expression of not relevant to the case at all.

Mr. Nunn, who conducted the prosecution for Mr. Stevens asked the defendant in cross examination what it was that he took objection to. He said it was the entire Editorial but more particularly that part in which it said that the Delegates would go to Greensboro without character or influence.

Mr. Tom Waters was the next witness and he asked if he might corroborate the essential parts of Mr. Clark's testimony but this was over-ruled as incompetent. He gave the testimony much the same as those who had preceded him.

One incident occurred during the cross examination of Mr. Waters which as Mr. Nunn explained at first was not allowable he would ask it in order to bring out a fact which he wished to be known. He then asked the witnesses of knowing what Mr. Clark's political reputation was. This brought out a vigorous objection from the attorney who seemed a bit nettled that his political integrity should be assailed in so rude a manner. He told Mr. Nunn that if he would step outside he would show him what his political reputation was and that every one in the room who was acquainted with him knew what his politics are. Some verbal parrying was then indulged in but the Mayor called them down.

There were several witnesses for Clark but he did not call any but Waters to the stand.

The case was submitted without argument and the Mayor deciding that the attack with the music rack was an assault with a deadly weapon. He bound the defendant over to Superior court in the sum of \$50 which was furnished by Mr. Thomas Daniels, Sr.

The case of Mr. D. W. Halley, the other man who assaulted Mr. Stevens. The defendant pleaded guilty and made no attempt at a defense. He regretted his action and said it was purely an act of his impulsive nature and while he felt "sorry" on account of the editorial he had an intention of taking it as a personal insult. Judgment was suspended and he was taken to the county.

The attack was an extremely vicious

one inasmuch as Mr. Stevens was not well; having been confined to his room the greater part of two days the past week and suffering very greatly from weakness. The card was over the signature of a man well known in this community.

His place of business is on a thoroughfare easily accessible to Mr. Clark, but instead he makes the editorial a cloak for his cowardice, not daring to make any assault on a person whom he deemed his physical equal.

The lawyer's references in the court to his political character can be rebutted in the court of the great Democratic party of New Bern.

New Method of Securing Political Recognition.

W. W. Clark of this city is the inventor of a new method of securing political recognition. Just where Mr. Clark got the idea, must be his, but the invention seems to be an infringement upon some of the designs lately exhibited by Capt. Bunch McBea, of A & N C conspiracy fame.

There is also a similarity of process to that employed by one Bill Day, of Raleigh, who recently enforced his argument with a cane upon the head of a defenseless newspaper man.

Mr. Clark's method of securing political recognition, as emphasized on Saturday morning, was to unprovokedly attack a man who was physically incapable of resistance. And to add further emphasis, an assistant was taken along to see that the work was successfully punctuated.

The self-important and vain individual, too often thinks that a newspaper has him in mind whenever it publishes anything. Mr. Clark seemed to flatter himself that the Journal has had to go to him for editorial matter, when the truth is that his political importance is of the zero mark. But Mr. Clark must not flatter himself that two against one is the open sesame to full Democratic fellowship in Craven county. It looks forcible, but it is not political genius, and Mr. Clark ought to use his brains and not his fists and those of his friends in order to make enough points to win Democratic recognition.

C. L. STEVENS.

How Delegates Were Appointed.

Editor Journal: From the heated references in the paper and on the streets to the various names on the list of delegates to the Democratic State Convention I am sorry to see a continuation of the ill feeling so manifest in the County Convention last Saturday.

The members of the convention understand how the delegates were appointed, but those who were not present labor under the impression that I, as chairman made the selection upon my own responsibility.

I distinctly stated to the convention that I would appoint to represent Major Steadman's strength in the vote the men selected by the Steadman leaders and that I would appoint to represent Capt. Glenn's strength in the county vote the men selected by the Glenn leaders.

I followed this plan and published the list as handed me, making only one change, that of substituting the name of O. H. Gulon in the place of my own.

Mr. Gulon is known to be a Davidson man, is prominently mentioned in the Speaker's report of the next House of Representatives and is, I think, entitled to the privilege of attending as a delegate.

I think Mr. Editor, all our harmony talk has borne little fruit and am sorry higher considerations are lost sight of, in the effort to inject bitterness and personalities in the matter.

Every delegate named, I am informed, can qualify under the test fixed by the Democratic Executive Committee, viz: A vote for the Constitutional Amendment and State ticket in 1900. Let us hope that all, in the future, will stand by the Old Ship in storm and in sunshine.

S. M. BRINSON.

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New Cars Built.

The A & N C shops turned out six new log trucks yesterday. They were built for the use of roadmaster Carlyle in the transportation of crosses, large numbers of which are being placed on the road where needed.

This makes 106 of these cars built since the present administration took charge of the road. The cars are constantly engaged in hauling logs for miles along the line.

The new mail and express car which is being made in the shop for the transportation of the mails is rapidly approaching completion.

The car is of the standard type. It is 60 feet long in the clear, built on six wheel trucks, 8 feet wide and finished in natural wood.

The car was built according to specifications furnished by the government and when finished it will compare favorably with any similar work in the country.

Scraping Germ Rampant

The air seems to be saturated with a belligerent spirit. That day is lost in which some little static encounter is not reported at police headquarters.

The peaceful hours of Sunday were rudely broken up by an exhibition of temper. After some little discussion Louis Rosen a Hebrew merchant on Middle street knocked H. Klein, a Hebrew drummer down and inflicted bad wounds on the drummer's head.

The two men were arrested and arraigned before Magistrate S. R. Street yesterday morning on the charge of disorderly conduct. Rosen was taxed the costs—Klein was dismissed.

The case had been settled and all appeared to be quiet when Middle street was again all tore up over another scrap. The same parties, Rosen and Klein had together again and Rosen demonstrated his Jeffries punch. Klein again fell under the influence of too much punch and as a result of the two fights his face looked like a map of the Rocky Mts.

The two appeared in the police court and there it was shown for the second time that Rosen was the aggressor.

Rosen was fined ten dollars and costs for disorderly conduct and Klein was dismissed.

Two boys in the Cooby and Williams machine shop had a little misunderstanding yesterday and resorted to the manly art to settle their differences. No complaint was made and no arrests followed.

Two insurance men came to blows in the frog pond section of the city last night. The cause of the difficulty and the result could not be learned.

Saturday Night Hold up.

About six o'clock Sunday morning a colored man was seen walking along George street near the Queen street corner of the cemetery giving evidence of being severely injured. He was assisted to the house of Susan Bow who lives on the opposite corner and there told that he had been assaulted and robbed. His appearance and the condition of his clothing which had been torn or ripped open showed that he was the victim of some hard usage.

Dr. Laasler was called and found the man suffering from serious injuries on the head but found no broken bones. The bruises and contusion were on the head.

Policemen R. P. Montague and W. H. Griffin were summoned to ascertain if there had been any assault. The man told the policeman that his name was John Gawn, a Portuguese and that he had been asked to drink with three men whose names he did not know and they took him to an alley near the cemetery, and was there assaulted and robbed. He was thrown over the cemetery wall and laid in the place all night or from about 1 o'clock. He said that he had about ten or twelve dollars in his pocket having been paid off on Saturday night.

The facts of the case were reported at the police headquarters and the police worked out some good clues to find the assailants. It was found that three negroes named Tom White, Will Thompson and John Thomas were believed to be the guilty parties. White was seen with Gawn late Saturday night. It is said that Thompson was badly cut on the hand by Gawn. Circumstances also relating these men with the crime are very conclusive and it is believed they will be arrested in a short time.

While looking for these men officer A. L. Bryan met with a painful and possibly serious accident Sunday night. He was endeavoring to get to a flat on which were some men among whom he thought were the ones he was looking for. He was obliged to walk a plank to the boat and it being dark he was unable to walk steadily. He stumbled and fell on a raft below and sustained injuries from which he is suffering very much.

The condition of Gawn was considered as very critical. His physician thought it would be several days before anything definite could be stated as to the outcome. The injured man had a high fever and was in great pain last evening.

Nurses Graduate.

Norfolk, June 15.—The ladies graduating class for 1904 of St. Vincent's Hospital Training school was greeted by a very large and appreciative audience. The elaborate program for the occasion was carried out in excellent order.

The class was composed of Miss Nancy Alexander, Miss Cornelia Whitaker, Miss Carrie M. Cannon, Miss L. Marie Higgs and Miss Ida Bragg. Miss Nancy Alexander was the Valedictorian of the class. Col. Cabell and Judge Brooks were the orators.

The gold medal offered by Dr. Julius F. Lynch to the member of the class who should produce the best paper on Typhoid fever, was awarded to Miss Carrie M. Cannon of Mayville N. C. When Col. George C. Cabell had completed his elegant presentation speech of the medal to Miss Carrie M. Cannon the receptive room rang with the loud applause of the many friends of the young lady.

Dr. F. E. Field presented the ladies with the diplomas.

After the most pleasant rendition of a vocal and instrumental program, all retired to parlors of the refreshment prepared by the Venerable sisters of the hospital.

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HEINOUS CRIME.

Goldboro Negro Terrifies People of Adams Creek, and Ends His Career by Criminal Assault on Small Child.

Some time ago a young negro, looking to be about 15 or 19 years of age, and claiming to hail from Goldboro, showed up in the Adams Creek neighborhood. He gave the name of Alex Sutton, and posed as a young colored gentleman of leisure. Soon after his arrival in the above neighborhood, which by the way is a very quiet, law-abiding one, strange and unusual things began to happen. Small articles of property, left exposed would turn up missing. Disturbing gossip began to circulate around among the residents which are mostly peaceable industrious colored people, and in the course of time this strange negro was suspected to be the author of all the mischief, but as no direct proof could be established, the injured ones bided their time for further developments, in the meantime giving the leisure colored gentleman the cold shoulder.

Wednesday night the residence of Leander Gilbert, a white man was broken into, the family were awakened but the would-be burglar made his escape. Thursday night the home of a very worthy old colored man by the name of Morgan, was broken into, the miscreant getting into the bed room before his discovery. In this case an escape was also made.

Suspicion rested on the negro Sutton and a watch was accordingly set for him, and a search was made but without success.

Late in the forenoon, Friday, some children were playing in a field near the home of Morgan, already mentioned, when a great screaming was heard. Morgan, who was working near by went to the rescue. As he neared the place from whence the noise issued, he saw the negro Sutton leap from a ditch and speed away. Morgan followed the man and meeting a white man who had a pistol they continued the pursuit and soon captured the fleeing one.

Returning to the ditch a little colored girl about six or seven years old was found in a serious physical condition, the victim of a brute's passion.

The negro was taken before Justice of the Peace Claude Taylor, who sent him up to New Bern jail to await trial at the next term of Superior Court.

Special deputy Orlando Hyman, a colored man who brought Sutton here yesterday morning said that feeling was pretty strong down there among his race against the negro and that there was a good deal of talk among them of lynching.

Sutton is now in jail here but will have nothing to say, neither denying or confessing the crime. But there is no doubt of his guilt as he was seen running from the scene of the crime even before the outcry ceased.

Confidences are Not News.

The general public does not realize the attitude the real journalist holds towards his work. A story in illustration is told by Lincoln Steffens, of McClure's Magazine. Recently while gathering material for one of his articles on the misgovernment of cities he chanced to be in the smoking compartment of a train on his way to the particular city then under consideration, with two strangers. These men began to talk of inside political matters in that city and in the course of their conversation revealed many important political secrets. Mr. Steffens overheard all and said nothing. The next morning he introduced himself to one of the men, told him of his purpose and asked him if he had any further information to impart. The politician was completely confounded and rushed to tell his friend of his exposure. Two very anxious politicians awaited the publication of Mr. Steffens' article and no doubt heaved great sighs of relief when they discovered that he had used none of the information thus given him. Confidences are not news.

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Death of Mr. E. L. Jones.

Beaufort, June 16. Thursday night at 10:30 o'clock Mr. E. L. Jones one of Beaufort's most beloved friends and citizens passed peacefully away to his home where there will be no more sorrow or pain and will await his loved one and friends over there.

Mr. Jones leaves a wife, brother, three sisters and one son who is now in St. Louis to the World's Fair.

Owing to the absence of his son, Mr. E. L. Jones the remains will be held over until Sunday. The family have the sincere sympathy of the entire town and country.

GALILEE.

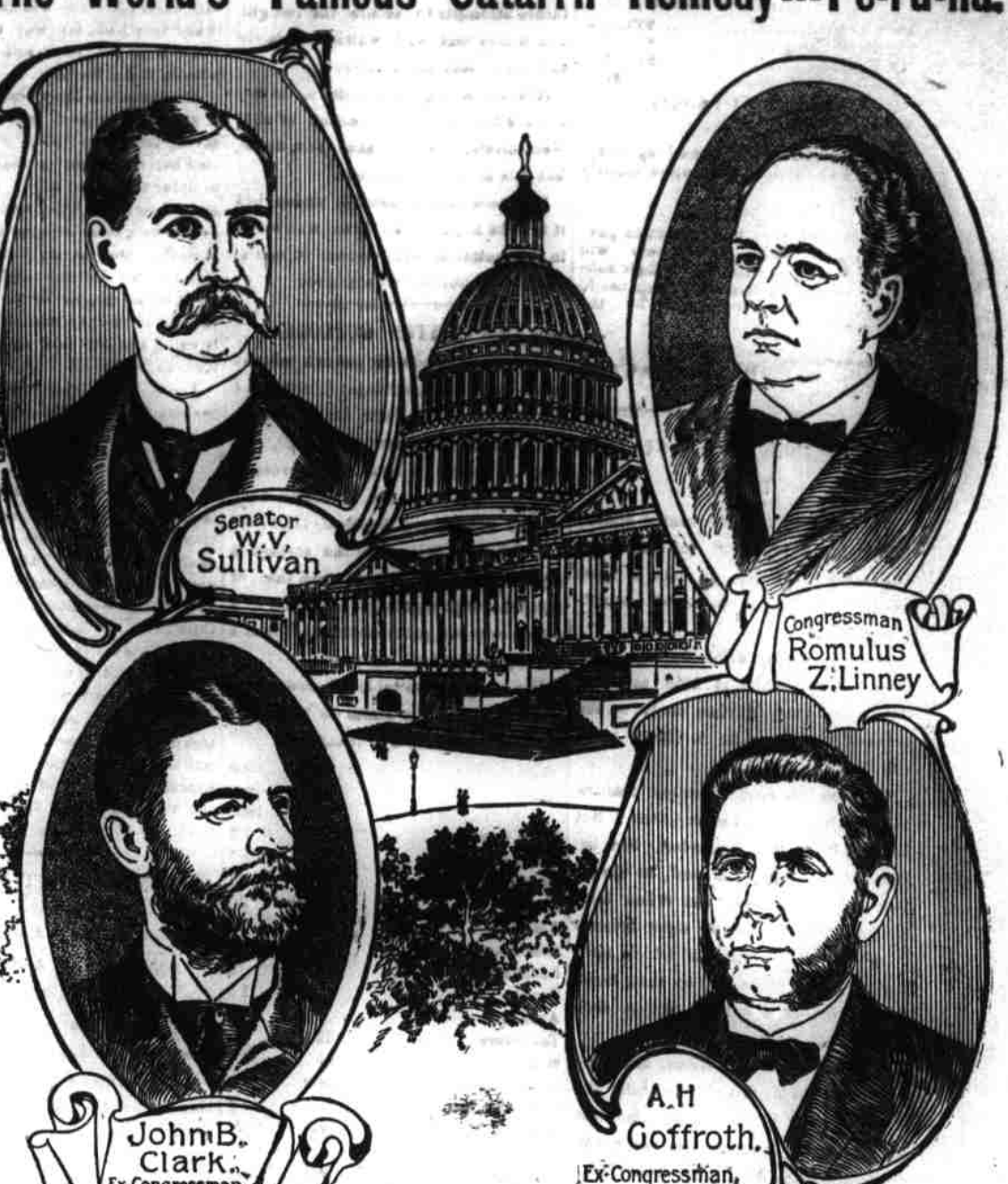
Crops are looking fine and the farmers are getting the best of the grass this week. They have got their crops clean and in good order.

Little Lilla, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Everington is very sick. Dr. Rhem is attending her.

Most of the talk is railroad with us now. The survey was made through Galilee Thursday from Neuse river on the way to Washington. The line ran in contact with our public school house. Our farmers began this week to get off their potatoes, but the low price Friday had stopped them. They will wait another week.

Sunday June 20th will be Children's Day. Everybody invited to come and bring their punnels. Raceless begin at 9 p. m. with a free lemonade treat for everybody. GOOD LUCK.

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