

Madison A.C. August 12<sup>th</sup> 1868

Judge Fairglen

Dear Sir your favor of the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. at New York  
has been received that you will be a guest here on  
the 8<sup>th</sup> of September I hope you can do something for me  
and before that time I will state my case  
I am a carpenter by trade and in the year  
1860 I had a contract of some building on the  
and I employed one Peter Deller a painter  
to do the painting for said contract and  
lived in Forsyth county adjoining North Carolina  
county where the work was done  
I was to pay him \$175 for to do the work for  
said contract and had him well doing the work  
I can prove the contract he finished the work  
some time in the latter part of the summer 1861  
and I paid him the amount of contract  
to pay him and had his receipts for that amount  
said Deller was to do said job as good as he could  
and in the fall of 1863 he sued me in Forsyth  
court and I attended court and there he had his  
laws put by the help of the great majority  
so he could not have it but I had heard  
that I had not owe him anything and  
he said I owe him for extra work he done  
nothing for me but the contract which I  
promised to be money to get judgement against  
me last fall term of Forsyth court and I  
never had any notice of its being true

The execution is now in the hands of  
The Sheriff of Rockingham county and he  
has had it for several months and would collect  
It if he could help. It though he thinks he will  
compete to collect if I cannot get ~~any~~ <sup>any</sup> man  
here that to collect untilt ~~you~~ <sup>you</sup> come  
here the case I wish you to stay the ~~collection~~ <sup>collection</sup>  
untilt you come to Greensboro or ~~you~~ <sup>you</sup> will  
go before the clerk of Rockingham ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~make~~ <sup>make</sup>  
affidavit to those facts or ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~have~~ <sup>have</sup> the county seal  
I dont want nothing but right and if  
you will stay the collection of this judgement  
you will die when the case comes up for trial  
that I dont see said better one cant  
The judgement is only for seventy five dollars  
though that is more than I wish to pay for  
nothing all I ask for you is a trial for  
there has never been any trial at all the  
case come up in another county in terms of the  
law and we have under different laws  
and ~~it~~ <sup>it</sup> is no notice of its being true all I  
ask is a trial and if the court thinks I am  
wrong ~~or~~ <sup>or</sup> better I will pay him  
So Judge please to write to me a grand and  
advise me what to do for I tell you I dont  
care to better one cant  
Yours most truly  
Jos. J. Robertson

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Mrs. S. Robinson

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