

Baraboo Wis Sept. 16/94
Albion. W. Tourge
Dear Sir

editorial

The enclosed slip from
the Milwaukee Sentinel of the 10 inst
I send with the hope that it might
come in your way and you would
think it proper, to correct the marked
statement - I send also by this
mail a marked copy of the Baraboo
Republic, containing an article over my
name, which was ^{written and} in the hands of the
printer before the date of Sentinel ~~editorial~~
editorial, in which I state the case very
diffusely -

This is the middle of Sept - and
I am looking anxiously for the first
number of The National Citizen -

Yours &c

Chas. H. Williams

JOHN BULL IS SOLICITOUS.

The arrival of three Englishmen sent to this country for the purpose of investigating the lynching outrages in the South is an event not likely to be wholly pleasing to Americans. It is going to strike some of them that it is a meddlesome act characteristic of the British character and one that is to be resented. Granted that the object of the delegation is commendable in every respect it is not clear what good will come of this attempted outside interposition. The people of this country have for years condemned the inhuman and lawless perpetration of deeds of violence known as lynchings, and sought to prevent their occurrence. Public sentiment on this subject has been aroused to a far greater pitch here than it has in England. There is not the slightest doubt that everything possible will be done to stamp out the evil and there is no good to be done by bringing the matter to public attention.

It looks as if the English committee has come on a mission that will be barren of results. They will undoubtedly carry back some lurid tales of American lawlessness to their own country which will be disseminated far and wide and lose nothing in the telling. Anything that discredits the United States will be popular in England and the lynching missionaries probably have this in mind. There is no particular harm in their coming here beyond the inclination that it shows on the part of Englishmen to make the most of our faults. There is surely no especial good to be gained by their visit. One would think that this committee could have done its work unostentatiously, but on the contrary on its arrival the event is immediately heralded to the world. The evident intention is to announce that America is to be reformed and that for this reformation Englishmen are obliged to take the initiative.