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State of North Carolina }
Superior Court }

James M Stock
and having been first duly sworn
and mentioned as to his rights de-
poses and says:

Joined the organization
known as the White Brotherhood which was
changed to the Arch. Union Society. I think
in the winter of 1867/68, at Company Shop
Camp No 3 - Geo. Frolinger was the chief
of the camp - ^{at that time and later afterwards} Geo. Neuhorn, Geo Robinson
Henry Robinson, Mr James & his
son George, Ruffin Andrews, John
Andrews, D. J. Andrews, Geo. W. Song
Green Andrews, - old man Fogleson
and others which I do not now recollect were members.
Easley, & Ruffin Fogleson - That night
we went over the river to a negro man's
Sandy Cellars, - and gave him 89 lashes
in disguise except me - Geo Frolinger
Geo Neuhorn, Henry Robinson, Geo
James, Murphy Andrews, Old man Thornton
(William I think) Geo. W. Song - were also along -
I was not in another mile - I think - till
the sight of this hanging of Cellars in
this town - I was sent for to pilot men
who said they were coming to whip him
I came and such them grab by evidence

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Maria Lovers. They had a vote there
 as to what they must do ^{with him -}. They decided
 by holding up the right hands. A man-
 jury are for hanging ^{him}. I knew
 that James Bradshaw was along
 with a signal from the Hae Fields
 I knew James Bradshaw, Mike
 Thompson, Jesse Thompson and a man
 named Dier ^{was along}. Think there were about 80 voting
 George Meban, Henry Robinson, and a
 man named Rogers ^{think it is George} - ^{William} Rogers son
 dont know his given name - ^{think it is George} ~~There~~
 from my camp and some others voted a
 guinst the hanging - We came over here
 and went to his house ^{took him out (I mean outlaw)} and went in to get
 some one else - named ~~Henry~~ ^{Henry}
 Holt - did not get him. Took the bed
 cord from his ^{bed and went on to the} Court House - some
 then rode off - some 3 or 4 carried
 there was a big crowd around but only three or four went out
 him along and hanged him - I myself
 with him to the limb where he was hanged -
 and ^{some others} rode off us soon as they
 started from the ^{crowd with him} Court House toward
 the tree - I did not see him hanged
 and dont know who did the hanging -
 Bradshaw gave the orders to his crowd
 and ours obeyed him not having any
 at least I do not recollect that he was along -
 chief along. Mr. Scott Brown was along
 with us - James Bradshaw afterwards

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asked me if I was along the night
 outlaw was hanged - I also heard
 Jesse Thompson speak of it. ~~He wanted~~ ^{I saw}
 him in Mississippi. He said the thing
 had caused a heap of trouble and he
 wished he had not been along.

While we were coming along from ~~Wyal~~
 Wyal Outlaw's house some one said -
 "Jim Stockard where's my horse." That was

(Healt's) George Rogers. This was just as we went out to our horses at
 Outlaw's house - we did not know our horses some of them
 were dispersed - mine was not -
 I went to the place for the purpose
 of a pilot the message was sent to me
 by John R. Stockard who said I was wanted
 to show where Wyal outlaw & Jerry
 Keat lived that they wanted to give them
 a whipping or something. He did not say
 who the message was from or who
 I was to meet. I knew James Bradshaw
 he made a speech to the crowd I was told
 by other men that he was there was told
 so by Mike Thompson & others and after
 ward knew it was him. It was the
 rule to pass sentences in one camp
 and transfer order to another camp
 who would execute it. I don't know
 where this order came from
 Bradshaw's camp and John Trolinger
 Camp as I understood executed

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This hanging Murray's camp
was to have ~~been there that night~~
but they did not come

I have heard since that others came
late in the night ~~at the time of this~~
~~hanging it was remarked that some~~
~~one was watching and would likely attempt~~
~~but ^{some one rode into the crowd} afterwards ~~learned it was Jacob Long~~~~

I met with John S Dixon in Tennessee
and had some conversation with him
about this hanging Geo Mebane told
me that Murray's camp was to ~~be~~
with us

Jacob A Long was chief of the County
It is and was the general understanding
that Josiah Turner was chief of the State
Dr John A. Moore & Dr Tarpley were members
of our camp
~~were taken~~

I was ^{not} present when any vote was
taken to whip Caswell Holt

I was near Wyal when he was taken down
The street nearly all went in the house

I had just turned and saw a match struck
for the purpose of writing as I learned
afterwards, ^{about the time of the hanging} while we were carrying Outlaw
he rode from Henry Holt's to the tree where
he was hanged behind some one of the party
all had on the usual disguise

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Geo Fausette another one of our Camp
was along at the hanging and I think

Thornston was along also

After the hanging I went to John R Stockard
and staid all night told him about it
The only reason assigned for this act was
that he was blustering around I inquired
of Geo Rogers what they were going to hang
Wright for he said he did not know

Our Camp passed an order that a letter
should be written and thrown into Maj
Bradham's porch John W Long was detailed
to perform this duty, I was told this
by some of the Camp when the crowd
came up where I + others were back of
Mrs Mariah Faust Mike Thompson told
me that that was Bradshaw's Camp this
including Company Shop Camp did
the hanging that persons were
detached as sentinals on the different
streets on the night of the hanging of outlaw
William Moon James Cussey and George
Fausett, were also members of the Camp -
to which I belonged - I think some of the
Fogelmans were along the night we whipped
Sandy Sellers. - Geo Rogers, Geo Methane
Henry Robinson and myself voted against
the hanging of Outlaw - Bradshaw, both

the Thompsons and nearly all of Brad
Shaw's Camp voted for hanging him.
Jim Johnson, David Johnson and another
Johnson whose name I don't know.

I know George Rogers and he is the one
whose given name I did not recollect
before - while the crowd were assembled
near the Court house just before the hanging
of outlaw some one was observed approaching
who it was feared were watching our
proceedings some one rode out to meet
them and came back & reported that Jacob
Long and some one else were the persons

This affidavit has been read over
to me and I make the same voluntarily
of my own free will and accord as my
free confession

Geo. W. Hickory

Subscribed and sworn
before me this 17th day
of December 1871

A. W. Tourgee - Judge
Superior Court - 7th Dist.

Off. of James M.
Stockard.

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