

Kittanning, Pa.,  
April 14<sup>th</sup> 1876

This is to certify that a communication in the Grand Torch Light newspaper, signed by myself, was written by Col. J. S. Smith, Chairman of the County Democratic Executive Committee. I was invited to give his name by hand to sign a card in regard to an explanation of an order made to J. C. D. Saunders for wood done on Court House road. When I got to his office he showed me a paper and requested me to sign it. I could not read his hand writing well but saw <sup>en</sup>ough to know it was a resignation of the office of County Commissioner. I told him I did not want to resign, then he showed me another paper which he said was an explanation of the Saunders matter. He then Smith read it to me; it was read different from what it was

published in the said week night  
in the summer paper was passed  
by the Board. Mr. Cole did not  
make a speech and say the <sup>it</sup> copy  
was strictly according to contract  
Mr. Smith's statement in regard to  
Garriel Jones is false also in  
part.

Wreston T. Hunt  
I was and subscribed to before  
me an acting Justice of the Peace  
in and for Granville County,  
the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 1876.  
O. P. Eaton  
J. P.