

Kingsville O Apr 26th 1889

Judge Gourgee. Dear Sir

Your Father died this morning about five o'clock, and they expect to bury him tomorrow afternoon about four o'clock and they are not going to notify any of his people at all about it not even his own son, and we think it is horrible. They are in a hurry to get him under the ground so they can appoint the daughter as administratrix of the estate so they can gobble everything themselves. (Please excuse the word "gobble" but it is the only word in the English language that is suitable). If you care anything for your own rights, and your Father's memory you will come immediately and upset their plans. All the neighbors are furious at their want of respect to the dead and the living.

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Perhaps you may call us all a
set of meddlers but we cant help
it, we think that simple justice to the
dead calls for something to be done. ~~We~~
We will ~~all~~ be with you for the right
and truth. Respectfully yours
"your ^{el} Father's friend."

P.S. If you care to know more ask
the people who live in the old "Merril"
house they can tell you more than
I can,