

United States Post Office,

A. W. SHAFFER,  
POSTMASTER.

Raleigh, N.C., January 5<sup>th</sup> 1890.

My Dear Judge,

I gladly give you the best I know how - in the inclosed affidavit. If the form is bad or the matter defective - and you will formulate what you want - I will try and subscribe a copy in my own hands. If I have failed to "fill the bill," I certainly have examined the form. Success to you.

By the way, Mr. D has given me a promise - to write a review of Gange & Serullon, of some sort, is possible - but I remember that in "Butter's Dow" I had to produce a copy to get it published and fear I may have to do so again, but will try.

Ashes, in company with a dozen others here - has a weakness for your writings, though he don't publish it. He is not even fond of paying for books. We are all well. Have it been confirmed yet.

"Loge" and upchurch were at Wash last week - for the 3rd or 4th time - trying to get Hawley & Sherman to vote against me. As the latter closed out his republicanism years ago - has not had a republican club in his office for 4 years - Cursed out Harrison for a "dish-faced son of a b." turned his portrait to the wall and draped

his office for Jeff Davis - expecting to run independent with such a Democratic opposition next fall - I think his influence ought to be small. "Loge" was shown up so clearly in his candidacy for this office last summer that I am unable to fathom his purposes unless they fear my influence next fall. Surely Mr Harrison would not appoint upon the recommendation of the Senators who defeated his first nomination. It would have to be Sam Young. Somehow they got me omitted when all the principal Postmasters of N.C. were confirmed <sup>to</sup> ~~last~~ before last, - 3 weeks ago.

How would it be for you to write Hawley & Sherman?

Kindest regards to all.

Tell Mrs D. A W Co promised me that account "next week," meaning tomorrow, et seq.

A.W.C.

Truly yours,

A.W. Chaffin