

United States Post Office.

A. W. SHAFFER,
POSTMASTER.

Raleigh, N.C., March 24th 1890.

Dear Mrs Dodge,

Many thanks for your letter of 22nd. That remark of the President was a compliment, but I am unable to see where the "compliment" comes in as having been bestowed by the Senate, of which Sen Hawley speaks. Do you see it? If as he says, it seems to me that instead of being a compliment to me, the Senate ought to be congratulated that it escaped making an egregious booby of itself. I wonder just what it was that brought it to its senses? If I could believe that it had reached any such determination I should conclude it was my letter, sent to every Rep. Senator. As I can't, I think it was the Judge's letter to Hawley, who is laboring under the impression that he is the Senate. I fear I am rapidly acquiring the belief that Hawley is a hypocrite.

Well, I intend to justify the good opinion of the President by running this office right up to the hounds. and, by the way, Mr Wau-
maker is not the least among the men entitled to my gratitude,

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for the gang had completely captured Mr. Clarkson, He was against me, and no reason I could give for refusing to put a negro at the Gun delivery was satisfactory to him. He wanted our arms because the people didn't want our arms. My first interview was with him, I told him if he would tell me he wanted this office run as a political Machine, I would tell him at once what I would do. That made him worse than ever, and I thought my goose was cooked. So I concluded to see Mr. Warranham. I had not been with him five minutes before I saw that he took in the whole situation at the first glance. It was like a bush of sunlight from Egyptian darkness. In all my life I have never yet seen a man drive such black through such a tangle and come out so clear and scathless. It is no wonder that he can handle the great Philade News and the P.O.D. God bless him!

Ask the Judge whether he had not better abandon the Negro since the World of 22nd - discords that 12 Winchester have been bought by them? Is it not likely to stampede the whole north into Canada? See top 3rd column. 1st page. "What! Is This So?" "Alarming news." &c.

I hope the Judge will get his pension without difficulty, that
it will date back to the dawn of Confederate history and
send him to Europe for a year of rest. He deserves it.

Well now - you must not think I expect you to answer
my long letters - not that I do not enjoy their reading,
but that I do not expect to monopolize your time. I
shall write either of you whenever the spirit moves me
there. You will easily see whether such require answers.
If they do not - don't let them bother you.

Ever truly yours,

W. H. Chaffin.