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Hon. Allison W. Frazier
Waysville

New York

Dear Sir

I don't suppose you care what the Southern Press says of you but it is some times interesting to read their productions. I enclose you a clipping from the "Mountain Eagle" published at Jasper Mo.

I remind you
letter of some weeks ago certifying you
kindly mention of my book "Old Shanty"
for which please accept my thanks. Whenever
I can serve you please command me

Very Truly

P. R. Bailey

ANOTHER SOUTH HATER

SUCH PEOPLE DESERVE THE STRONGEST EPITHETS FROM SOUTHERN TONGUES.

There lives in the North those who are constrained to keep ill feeling between the South and North alive forever, while it is the duty of every man who loves America to exert himself to bury everything that tends to keep alive or create hostilities between these two sections. Our fathers had just cause to bear arms against each other, but since we are again united under the Stars and Stripes and under the same Constitution—and it the greatest on earth—we should with love, with pride, and with honor show our patriotism to other nations; and no better way to do this exists than by condemning those who are still so little at heart as to continually give the public articles which are intended to keep animosities existing until the present generation shall pass away at least.

The Montgomery Advertiser in the following piece has said nothing but what all Southern journals should heartily endorse:

FIGURES VS. ASSERTION.

Some years ago Albion W. Tourgee, of New York, who is something of a literary cut-throat, wrote a book of the suggestive title "A Fool's Errand," and on the title page he added "Written by one of them." His whole career leaves no doubt of his having formed a proper estimate of himself. The work dealt with the South was a tissue of misrepresentation from beginning to end. He is a weekly slanderer of the South through the Chicago Inter-Ocean, occupying a column or more of that sheet every Sunday under the signature of "a Bystander." One of his latest charges is a statement that nine-tenths of these negroes of the South are mulattoes. Perhaps he forms his estimate from what comes under his own observation in the North. With that moddle of calculation we do not propose to enter an objection, but do deny in the most positive terms his reflections on the white and black races of the South. We have no census returns available as to the comparative number of the negroes and mulattoes in the South, and therefore, can form no accurate estimate. There is a cause in point, however, which he believe will prove a fair showing for what is known as the black belt of the South. The County of Lowndes, in this State, has a white population of 4,466 and of colored, 27,084. The vital statistics prepared by the health officer of the county shows during the year 1892 deaths of white people to the number 24, and of colored 459. This shows a death rate of 5.59 white per 1000 and of 15.83 colored per 1,000. There were 759 black children born in Lowndes county during that year, and 5 mulattoes. Here is ample proof of the untruthfulness of Judge Tourgee's statement. So far from showing ninetenths of the colored births to be mulattoes, the evidence for a black belt county shows less than seven-tenths of one per cent.

If Judge Tourgee wants to do real service to the country and get at the truth, he might find a large field for investigation in seeking to ascertain how many negroes are now seeking pensions on the score of being dependent children of white federal soldiers. The Memphis Commercial a few days ago stated that whenever the federal soldiers went in the South they left "a plentiful crop of desolation and mulattoes." Judge Tourgee is evidently the same sort of a person he said he was when he wrote, "A Fool's Errand."