

North Carolina  
Railroad Commission,

Raleigh. Aug 31<sup>st</sup> 1899

My Dear Govr,

Am so sorry to so often fail  
to meet you. And first one thing and then  
another prevents me from going to see  
you - Rufell will no doubt suspend me  
but as for getting my chair, this is another  
matter. When you visit this city you will  
find me doing business at an old stand.

Am help removed by a power before whom  
when he presents himself - <sup>he will</sup> and hears  
the words pronounced "Deport ~~from~~ <sup>me</sup>  
I never knew you deport from me  
you son of a bitch into utter darkness  
prepared for him Dec and his angels.  
Clark is out in a cord saying that he ad-  
vised the course as pursued by Rufell he  
lies - six weeks ago he told RO Burton  
in the supreme court room that if he was  
Rufell and believed them charges he would  
remove Maj Wilson - which he has a per  
fect writ to do under the act.

Burton will swear to this - I have no

lawyer so far engaged - I have written my own  
reply, which you will see and approve of I  
feel very sure - It is respectful but firm  
after seeing please make any suggestions.

I have never seen a matter creating so  
general a feeling - I do not flatter myself that  
it is for any good feeling in my behalf, but  
looked upon as an outrage upon a citizen  
by the City Executive, which has our poor old  
State come to. Ohio is full of fiery wrath  
and indignation - When you get out &  
you will <sup>to go</sup> again to start the Hayseed, for Rufus  
Butler Clark Avery, Josipides & et al some more  
matters are hot and getting hotter - will keep you  
advised - I am as ever as before - have a good  
appetite for solids & liquids - The latter is only  
enjoyed with company and I am lonely,  
With kind regards to all

I am most sincerely

John W. Wilson