

A.D. Sayre, specimen copy of head, in crayon from life, plate \$5.

"List of Premiums: Awarded at the Second Annual Fair of the Montgomery Agricultural and Mechanical Association, 1871," *The Southern Argus* (Selma, AL), 24 November 1871, 1

**Essay—Italy.—A. D. Sayre.  
Reading Reports.  
Delivery of Distinctions.**

All the young gentlemen acquitted themselves with credit; but we think the following may be especially mentioned, as having deserved the rapturous applause with which they were greeted by the audience: Cadets J. L. Cobbs and John W. Ray, declaimers; Cadets Malcolm Graham and R. A. Ashley, orators and Cadet A. D. Sayre, essayist.

The oration of Cadet Graham on "The character of Stonewall Jackson," was well written and very finely delivered.

"Commencement Exercises of the Hamner Hall High School," *The Montgomery Advertiser* (Montgomery, AL), 29 June 1875, 3.

SALEM, VA., June 13—Commencement at Roanoke College has just closed. There are 16 graduates from seven States. L.L. Smith of Maryland received the first honor; E.J. Renick of Virginia, the second, and A.W. Pope, of Texas, the third. E.J. Renick won the medal in metaphysics; G.J. Eppright, of Texas, that in mathematics; A.D. Sayre, of Alabama, that in Greek.

"Commencement at Roanoke College," *The Observer* (Raleigh, NC), 14 June 1877, 1. (Also published in *Richmond Dispatch*, *The Dallas Weekly Herald*)

Commencement exercises of Roanoke College, Va., began Sunday morning with the baccalaureate sermon by Rev. Wm. T. Hall, D. D., of Virginia. At night Rev. S. H. Repass, D. D., of Virginia, addressed the Young Men's Christian Association. Monday night six speakers contested for the medal in oratory. L. F. Smith, of Tennessee, received the medal. Tuesday morning Prof. J. B. Greiner, of Virginia, addressed the alumni. Hon. Clarkson N. Potter, of New York, was prevented from filling his engagement to address the literary societies by his recent accident in being thrown from his carriage. Judge Walter R. Staples, of the Virginia Court of Appeals, Hon. H. A. Edmundson and H. E. Blair delivered addresses. The college grounds and buildings were brilliantly illuminated. The medal in metaphysics was presented to E. J. Renick, of Virginia; in mathematics to G. J. Eppright, of Texas; in Greek to A. D. Sayre, of Alabama. J. W. Ownby, of Texas, will represent Roanoke College at the State oratorical contest in Richmond in November next.

"Telegraphic Summary, etc.," *The Baltimore Sun*, 14 June 1877, 1.

In the commencement exercises of the twenty-fourth session of Roanoke College, Salem, Va., Prof. Wm. A. Yonce, A. M., presented the Faculty medal in Greek to A. D. Sayre, of this city, his grade, as given by the Committee of Examination, being 99 23-29, the highest ever attained on a medal contest at Roanoke.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 17 June 1877, 3.

A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, won the faculty medal in Greek at the Roanoke (Va.) College commencement.

"Alabama News," *The Times-Argus* (Selma, AL), 22 June 1877, 3.

**THANKS.**—Some friend has sent us an invitation to attend a celebration given by the Ciceronian Literary Society of Roanoke College, Va., on Friday evening, February 22nd, 1878. We find on the invitation that A. D. Sayre is one of the debaters, and H. Chamberlain, anniversarian. Both of these gentlemen are from Alabama. Roanoke College ranks high among the institutions of Virginia.

*Greenville Advocate* (Greenville, AL),  
31 Jan 1878, 3.

The commencement exercises of Roanoke College, at Salem, Va., took place yesterday. The Latin salutatory was delivered by W. H. Shahan, of Fellowsville, West Va.; the Greek oration by J. B. Stephenson, of Monterey, Va.; a German oration by W. C. Dreher, of Columbia, S. C., and the valedictory by A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, Ala. Among the interesting ceremonies of the day was the laying of the corner stone of the Bittle Memorial and Lewis Hall. Lieut. Gov. James A. Walker, of Virginia, delivered the address on this occasion, in which he paid appropriate tributes to the heroism of the late war in connection with that of the early days of the republic, made conspicuous by such men as General Andrew Lewis and other pioneers in the march of civilization.

"Dispatches Last Night," *Wilmington Daily Commercial* (DE), 14 June 1878, 1. (Also published in *The Baltimore Sun*.)

AT THE HOTELS.  
*Lamar House*—H. Lawrence, New York; Jno. B. Swift, Cincinnati; M. Kidd, Knox county; A. D. Sayre, Montgomery, Alabama.

*Knoxville Daily Tribune* (TN), 16 June 1878, 4.

## SALEM, VA.

### Commencement at Roanoke College.

SALEM, June 13.—The commencement exercises of the Roanoke College took place to-day in the presence of a large and brilliant assembly. A Latin salutatory was delivered by W. H. Shahan, of Fellowsville, W. Va.; Greek oration by J. B. Stephenson, of Monterey, Va.; German oration by W. C. Decher, of Columbia, S. C., and the valedictory was pronounced by A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, Ala.

Among the interesting ceremonies of the day was the laying of the corner-stone of the Bittle Memorial, and Lewis Hall. Lieut. Gov. Walker, of Virginia, delivered an address on this occasion. He said in substance, that almost a century has passed since Gen. Andrew Lewis was laid to rest. Born in the mountains of the West Augusta, a pioneer in the march of civilization, reared amid the hardships of his neighbors and friends, such men as George Washington, Patrick Henry, and Thomas Jefferson, Andrew Lewis was at once a man full grown—morally, mentally and physically. Had he been born in a later day he would have led great armies as successfully as he did his neighbors to victory over the Indians at Point Pleasant, on October 11, 1774. To his courage, his fortitude, his patriotism, his honesty, his self-sacrificing devotion to his duty, he owes the proud place Virginia accords to him as one of the six figures which surround the Father of his Country on the monument at Richmond. In dedicating "Lewis Hall" in connection with the "Bittle Memorial Building," we bring two centuries together, and unite the representative of two eras of our history; the sturdy pioneer with the polished, graceful scholar; the intrepid Indian fighter with the patient, laborious college professor; patriot soldier, with the consistent, devoted minister of the Gospel.

Commencement day closed with the reunion banquet, which began at 8 this evening and lasted until a late hour. Toasts were given and responded to by a number of prominent gentlemen. The exercises of the week have been a grand success.

*The Times-Picayune* (New Orleans, LA), 14 June 1878, 1 (Also published in *The Selma Times* [AL]; *Alexandria Gazette* [VA]; *The Norfolk Virginia*)

Mr. A. D. Sayre, son of Mr. Daniel Sayre, has returned from Roanoke College, Va., where he recently graduated. Last year he took the Greek medal, and on graduating the honor of delivering the valedictory was awarded him. He is gladly welcomed home by his friends, who wish for him a long and useful career.

"Local Intelligence," *The Weekly Advertiser* (Montgomery, AL), 18 June 1878, 6.

S. D. Wilson vs. A. D. Sayre. Rule to stay fl. fa.

"Court Proceedings: Before Judge Stanton, July 20," *The Union Leader* (Wilkes-Barre, PA), 25 July 1878, 2.

Linck's Hotel. — John Thomas, Wartrace; George A. Matthews, Trenton; C. E. Skeggs, S. Ball, Anderson, Ind.; T. B. Connell, F. S. Higgins, Louisville; J. F. Pierce, Pierceville, Ala.; A. D. Sayre, Montgomery, Ala.

"Personal," *The Tennessean* (Nashville), 22 Aug 1878, 4.

On last motion day, A. D. Sayre, C. P. Jones and E. O. Elmore, Esqrs., three young law students of Montgomery, were admitted to practice in the Supreme Court, after having passed a highly creditable examination before a committee composed of Messrs. Watts, Moore and Arrington.

"Montgomery County," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 21 July 1880, 3.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15TH.**  
**10 A. M., Triennial Reunion, Address by Hon. John Paul, M. C., Harrisonburg, Va.; Prof. L. R. Holland, Secretary Board of Education, Richmond, Va.; A. D. Sayre, A. B., Montgomery, Ala., and others.**

"Exercises at Roanoke College," *Staunton Spectator* (VA), 31 May 1881, 2.

On motion of Messrs. G. W. Townsend and A. D. Sayre, counsel for the defendant, the case of the State vs. William C. Ozier was postponed by his Honor, Judge Arrington, until the 29th inst. This is a case of breach of promise to marry, from the lower part of the county, and excites considerable interest. The parties concerned are very respectable white people, and have each summoned a great many witnesses.

"Local Intelligence," *The Weekly Advertiser* (Montgomery, AL), 22 March 1881, 1.

COMMENCEMENT AT ROANOKE COLLEGE, VA.— The commencement exercises at Roanoke College begin on Sunday, June 12, with the baccalaureate sermon by Dr. Thos. L. Preston, Richmond, Va., and the annual address before the Young Men's Christian Association by Rev. F. P. Mullaly, D. D., of Lexington Va. C. A. Bower, A. M., of Liberty, Va., will address the alumni on the 14th, and Hon. Daniel Agnew, L.L. D., late chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, will deliver the address before the literary societies on the evening of the 15th. The next day is commencement, with addresses by the graduates of '81. The triennial reunion of Roanoke students meets on the 14th and 15th, when there will be public addresses by George E. Nelson, A. M., of Baltimore, Hon. John Paul, M. C., of Va., Prof. L. R. Holland, A. M., secretary of the State board of education of Virginia, and A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, Ala. The reunion supper is set down for the evening of the 14th. The college grounds will be illuminated during the evenings of the week.

*The Baltimore Sun*, 3 June 1881, 6. (Also published in *The Times-Picayune*; *Boston Evening Transcript*)

A. D. Sayre, Esqr., of this city, delivered an address at the commencement exercises of Roanoke College, yesterday, as may be seen by the Press dispatch from Salem, Virginia.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 16 June 1881, 3.

*Roanoke College, Virginia.*

SALEM, VA., June 15.

The Roanoke College Alumni Association was addressed last night by C. A. Bower, Esq., of this State, whose subject was "The Nineteenth Century." The triennial re-union was addressed to-day by Hon. John Paul, of this State, and by A. D. Sayre, of Alabama. The former spoke on "Resolution" as an element of success, and the latter on "The Adoption of Education to Individual Peculiarity." The literary societies were addressed to-night by Hon. Daniel Agnew, LL.D., of Pennsylvania.

*The Selma Times*, 16 June 1881, 1. (Also published in *The New York Times*; *The Montgomery Advertiser*)

THURSDAY, JUNE THIRTY.

10 a. m., Public exercises of the Alpha Tau Omega: Historian, A. D. Sayre, Esq., Montgomery, Alabama; poet, M. S. Stevens, Randolph county, Alabama; literary address, Hon. W. J. Samford, Opelika, Alabama; "Future of the Fraternity," W. H. Lamar, Auburn, Alabama.

"Auburn: commence Programme Agricultural and Mechanical College," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 17 June 1881, 1.

**Roanoke College.**

By telegraph to the Herald.

SALEM, VA., June 15, 1881.

The triennial reunion of students and ex-students of Roanoke College took place at 10 A. M. to-day, and was addressed by A. D. Sayre, of Alabama, and John Paul, member of Congress from the eighth district of Virginia.—Mr. Sayre urged the importance of educating men with a view to their adaptability to the profession or station in life which they propose to fill. Mr. Paul's

*Bristol News* (TN), 21 June 1881, 2.

The case of the State vs. William C. Ozier, charged with seduction, was called for trial in the city court yesterday. Judge Arrington having been of counsel for the defendant before going upon the bench was by law incapacitated to try the case, and Gen. J. T. Holtzclaw, by consent presided.

Messrs. A. D. Sayre and G. W. Townsend, counsel for defendant, applied for a continuance upon the ground of absence of material witnesses, which continuance was granted by the court. This case will most likely be tried at the October term as Gen. Holtzclaw granted attachments for witnesses upon both sides returnable to that term.

"Supreme Court Decisions," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 14 June 1881, 3. (Also published in the *Russell Register* [Seale, AL].)

**COMMISSIONER'S SALE.**

IN pursuance of, and in accordance with the terms and directions of a commission issued and addressed to the undersigned by the Hon. Francis C. Randolph, Judge of the Court of Probate in and for the county of Montgomery, bearing date the 18th day of July, 1881, we will proceed to sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the Artesian Basin in the city of Montgomery, Alabama, on the 15th DAY OF AUGUST, 1881, between the legal hours of sale, the following described realty, to-wit:

The east half of lot 4, on south side of Loudie street, and running back one hundred and twenty-five feet, according to Barker's survey; which said land is to be sold under the decree of said Court, for the purpose of a division between and among the several owners thereof, who are as follows, viz: Amanda Williams, Shadrick Thweatt, Mary Smith and Jane Thweatt.

**BERNARD W. YOUNG,  
WILLIAM E. ATMORE,  
A. D. SAYRE,  
EDWARD C. ELMORE,  
LESTER C. SMITH,**

**Commissioners.**

July 30

*The Weekly Advertiser* (Montgomery, AL), 26 July 1881, 4.

The case of William C. Ozier, was tried in the city court yesterday, Gen. J. T. Holtzclaw, presiding as judge. Defendant was represented by Messrs. A. D. Sayre and G. W. Townsend, and the prosecution by Solicitor Ferguson and his assistant, Tennent Lomax, Esq. The innocence of the defendant was clearly established, and the jury rendered a verdict of not guilty. The charge was that of seduction. The parties were all white and the case elicited considerable interest.

"Local Intelligence," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 1 November 1881, 4.

In the case of the State vs. George Weaver, tried in the City Court yesterday. the jury is, at this writing, hung. Weaver is charged with assault with intent to kill, and this is the third trial of his case, the other two having miscarried. Judge Arrington being disqualified from sitting in the case, Thos. H. Watts, Jr. was called on to sit as substitute, and presided with dignity and grace. Solicitor Ferguson prosecuted and Messrs. Reuben C. Shorter and A. D. Sayre appeared for the defense.

"Local Intelligence," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 4 April 1882, 4.

#### **Personal.**

A. D. Sayre, Esq., a young attorney of this city, left for Washington last Saturday.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 23 Jan 1883, 4.

**A. D. Sayre, Esq., has returned from a protracted visit to Washington City.**

"Personal," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 8 February 1883, 4.

The Committee on Permanent Organization made the following report through the Chairman, Hon. F. W. Sykes: For Permanent President, Hon. Leroy P. Walker, of Madison; 1st Vice President, Col. N. N. Clements, Tuscaloosa; 2d Vice President, Hon. C. C. Langdon, Mobile; 3d Vice President, Col. J. H. Caldwell, of Calhoun. For Secretary: James M. Wright, of Russell; Assistant Secretaries, J. Hensley Grubbs of Morgan, and A. D. Sayre, Montgomery.

"Proceedings of the Democratic and Conservative State Convention of Alabama," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 8 June 1882, 1. (Similar articles published in *The Selma Times*, *The Troy Messenger*, *The Moulton Advertiser*, *Greensboro Watchman*, and *The Livingston Journal*, all in Alabama.)

#### **Appointments**

The following appointments were made by the Governor during the past week:

A. D. Sayre, Montgomery, Clerk City Court.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 25 Feb 1883, 4.

#### **Clerk of City Court.**

Mr. C. J. Watson has resigned the clerkship of the City Court, a position which he has held for the past two years. He has faithfully discharged the duties of the important office, and has made an efficient official. Mr. A. D. Sayre has been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Watson's resignation, and his selection will give entire satisfaction.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 27 Feb 1883, 2.

**Mr. J. M. Fitzpatrick, Mr. A. D. Sayre clerk of the City Court, left last night for Nashville to attend the national drill and musical carnival. Mr. Alva Fitzpatrick will perform the duties of clerk of the City Court during Mr. Sayre's absence.**

"Personal," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 22 May 1883, 4.

**Mr. A. D. Sayre, the efficient clerk of the City Court has returned from a visit to Nashville and will be found regularly at his office during business hours.**

"Personal," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 1 June 1883, 4.

#### **ROANOKE COLLEGE.**

**Commencement Day Exercises—Degrees Conferred and Prizes Awarded.**

SALEM, VA., June 13.—The thirtieth session of Roanoke College has just closed, and except for a serious interruption in January on account of small-pox the session has been prosperous. The attendance shows a gain of 10 per cent. The commencement exercises took place today according to the following programme:

The degree of A. M. was conferred on the following: Class of 1870, Manasses J. Smeltze, Salinas City, Cal.; class of 1872, Robert Hager, St. Paul; class of 1877, John D. Fray, Madison C. H., Va.; class of 1878, J. A. Brown, Blountville, Tenn.; John E. Bushnell, Prosperity, S. C.; H. Chamberlain, Denver; H. W. Delaplane, Circleville, O.; W. C. Dreher, Columbia, S. C.; John P. Haislip, Roanoke College; M. L. Keedy, Hagerstown, Md.; J. S. Moser, Mt. Jackson, Va.; A. D. Sayre, Montgomery, Ala.; J. B. Stevenson, Harrisonburg, Va.; J. W. Strickler, Gladesboro', Va.; Wm. Wunderlich, New Orleans; Edward J. Young, New

*The Baltimore Sun*, 14 June 1883, 1. (Also published in *The Norfolk Virginian*, *The Atlanta Constitution*, *National Republican* (Washington, D.C.), *The Weekly Virginian*.)

**Mr. A. D. Sayre, clerk of the City Court leaves this morning for Nashville and Louisville. Mr. E. C. Elmore will attend to the duties of the Clerk's office during Mr. Sayre's absence.**

"Personal," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 30 August 1883, 4.

**A. D. Sayre, Esq., has returned to the city from a visit off. So has O. W. Ferguson, Esq.**

"Personal," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 12 September 1883, 4.

### An Address.

We, the undersigned, citizens of Montgomery, having organized ourselves into a Tariff Reform Club, make this declaration of our principles. We hold—

1. That the right of every man to sell the product of his labor where he can get most in exchange, or to buy where he can buy cheapest, using the world for a market, is an inherent right founded in a principle that is essential in its exercise to the permanence and well being of any State and to be restricted only by the right of government to levy taxes for the purpose of raising a revenue sufficient to defray the expenses incurred in the exercise of its legitimate functions.

2. That the only kind of commercial policy that can assure stability in all kinds of business, increasing capital and increasing the wages of labor, is the establishment as far as is practicable of Free Trade between nations as between the States of the Union.

3. That the only tax levied upon commodities imported from foreign countries, which sound economic sense will justify, and that a free people ought to tolerate, is a tax laid for purposes of revenue only.

4. That the system of protective tariff laws under which we now live stands without a warrant in the Constitution of the United States is unjust and oppressive in its operation and odious in its influence upon the industrial organization. The greatest burden now borne by the American people is the obnoxious system of taxation known as a protective tariff.

We hold further in conformity with the foregoing principles that a country prospers in proportion as the necessities of life are abundant and cheap and not in proportion as these necessities are scarce and dear. We believe that the protective system, based as it is upon the self-evident absurdity that the more heavily you tax a people, the more prosperous they become, has immeasurably retarded the growth of the Union; that it has diminished in its effects the value of capital and has everywhere lowered the wages of the laboring classes; that it has strangled a large number of the best industries of our country, noticeably our merchant marine, and now menaces the entire business interests of the Union. We think the time has come when steps should be taken to ensure that the industries of the United States shall enjoy the genuine protection of a system of unrestricted exchanges. We think Alabama more than any other State in the Union, perhaps, is to be profited by an enlightened change in our commercial policy.

ders of inexhaustible coal and iron fields, her immense cotton acreage, her varied resources in other kinds constitute her the natural and easy rival of any among her sister States and fits her, if she were free, to compete with England herself. Alabama has everything to gain and we feel sure nothing to lose by a wise reformation of the tariff. Such a reformation means for Alabama an influx of capital and skilled labor, the population of her farm lands, the establishment of cotton and iron manufactories, and the consequent rapid advancement for her to a position of unwonted rank and influence.

The immediate purposes for which the club has been organized are these:

1. To secure thorough public discussion in this State of the existing tax laws of the Union, and if possible, to establish among the people of this State the doctrine that every man has the right to exchange the products of his labor free from hurtful restrictions of any sort.

2. To secure Congressional legislation for placing on the free list the raw materials required for American manufactures.

3. To secure Congressional legislation for the gradual reduction of duties upon manufactured articles until every enactment is repealed that gives a bounty to the manufacturer at the expense of the consumer.

The policy of the club will necessarily be aggressive, for its attack is upon an abuse entrenched in law. There are however, none of themembers who think a system of absolute free trade is possible for the Union at any very early day. They all recognize the unwisdom and the danger of dealing hastily and summarily with the abuses of the tariff. They invite the support of their fellow citizens throughout the State in demanding an immediate simplification and reduction of the tariff and its continued gradual reduction to a reform basis. All of their fellowcitizens who entertain like views with themselves are cordially requested to join with them in the work of reform.

Clifford A. Lanier, Wm. L. Chambers,  
H. C. Tompkins, Chas. W. Ferguson,  
Wm. B. Jones, C. L. Mathews,  
Geo. D. Noble, W. W. Screws,  
J. W. Hale, J. F. Johnson,  
Joel White, Geo. W. Craik,  
H. M. Hobbie, W. H. Lawson,  
Berry Tatum, E. P. Morrisett,  
Julius B. Gay, J. T. Glaze,  
Thos. H. Clark, Thos. H. Watts, Jr.,  
T. Gardner Foster, H. C. Davidson,  
Sam. B. Marks, S. C. Marks,  
W. H. Dingley, W. S. Reese,  
R. H. Somerville, C. R. Williams,  
W. A. Gayle, H. Stringfellow, Jr.,  
A. D. Sayre, M. A. Baldwin,  
P. T. Sayre, Alex. Troy,  
H. L. McKee, J. B. Gaston,  
and others.

A. D. Sayre and wife, nee Miss Machen, of Eddyville, Ky., are at the Louisville Hotel.

*The Courier-Journal* (Louisville, KY),  
18 Jan 1884, 6.

**ITEMS FROM THREE CITIES.**

From "The Advertiser," "The Age"  
and "The Register."

**Montgomery.**

Advertiser 23d.

Mr. A. D. Sayre returned to this city Monday accompanied by his bride, who was the accomplished and charming Miss Minnie Machen. They were married at her home in Kentucky on Wednesday last.

*The Selma Times*, 25 Jan 1884, 2.

FRANKFORT Yeoman: Mr. A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, Ala., and Miss Minnie Machen, daughter of Hon. Willis B. Machen, were married on the 17th, at the residence of the bride's father, in Eddyville. The bride is one of the most interesting of the belles of Southwestern Kentucky. The groom is a promising young lawyer, and the nephew of Senator Morgan, of Alabama.

"Marriages," *The Kentucky Advocate*  
(Danville, KY), 25 Jan 1884, 5.

Miss Minnie Machen, of Eddyville, who gave an elocutionary entertainment here a year or two ago, was married Jan. 17, to Mr. A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, Ala.

"Kentucky Knowledge," *Semi-Weekly South Kentuckian* (Hopkinsville, KY), 29 Jan 1884, 2.

A. D. Sayre, sworn: Am clerk of City Court, and have been about one year, and in June 1883, and at July term '83; am proper custodian of all indictments, never received one against E. J. Goodwyn, nor has he ever had returned to him any indictment against Goodwyn.

"City Court—E.J. Goodwyn against Southern Express Company," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 1 March 1884, 4.

**Thanks.**

Owing to the late hour and the pressure on our columns on Saturday night, we omitted to acknowledge the courtesies extended to us during the Democratic county convention, by the Secretaries, Messrs Tennent Lomax, A. D. Sayre, and George M. Marks. We return our thanks to these gentlemen who filled the difficult position so efficiently.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 29 April 1884, 4.

Messrs. Tennent Lomax, A. D. Sayre and G. M. Marks, acted as temporary secretaries.

"Proceedings of the Democratic and Conservative County Convention," *The Weekly Advertiser* (Montgomery, AL), 29 April 1884, 6.

A. D. Sayre made a motion that the Secretary be instructed to furnish the press the proceedings of the meeting and roll of officers and members of the battery.

"Meeting to Organize an Artillery Company," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 2 July 1884, 4.



Received from A. D. Sayre,  
 clerk, judges' fees..... 136.50

"Montgomery County Finances—  
 Receipts and Disbursements," *The  
 Montgomery Advertiser*, 3 July 1884, 4.

**Beat Meetings.**

**BEAT 3.**

A meeting of Democrats of Beat 3  
 was held at the Court House last night  
 pursuant to published notice. The  
 following were chosen delegates to at-  
 tend the county convention to select del-  
 egates to the Congressional convention:

Jno. B. Fuller, D. K. Weir, H. C.  
 Tompkins, J. M. Falkner, Daniel Loper,  
 Berry Tatum, Jno. C. Hardwick, T. J.  
 Williams, L. A. Shaver, Jas. A. Farley,  
 A. E. Coupee, W. T. Hodge, Josiah  
 Morris, E. B. Joseph, A. D. Sayre, W. C.  
 Fuller, H. C. Davidson, E. A. Graham,  
 A. D. Crawford.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 19  
 August 1884, 4.

**Personal Points**

*Alexander's*--A.D. Sayre, Montgomery, Ala.  
*The Courier Journal* (Louisville, KY), 8  
 September 1884, 5.

**Registered at the Maxwell House:**

A. D. Blanchet, Jr., J. H. Birdwhistell,  
 H. M. Levy, New York; Jas. L. Glenn,  
 Clarksville; Asa Faulkner, McMinn-  
 ville; Mrs. E. K. Moss, Miss Moss, New  
 Orleans; C. M. Compton, San Jose, Cal.;  
 A. D. Sayre and wife, Montgomery, Ala.;  
 T. W. R. Campbell, Tullahoma; Sam P.  
 Claybrooke, Williamson; T. A. Vaughan,  
 Philadelphia; Scott D. Davis, W. R.  
 Phillips, Lewisburg; Jno. P. Houston,  
 Miss Mattie Ligon, Miss Emma Houston,  
 Athens, Ala.; W. M. Copeland, Evans-  
 ville.

"Personal," *The Tennessean* (Nashville,  
 TN), 23 September 1884, 4.

**THE FIELD ARTILLERY.**

**John H. Clisby Elected Captain.**

The Alabama Field Artillery held a  
 meeting last night and elected John H.  
 Clisby, the well known business man of  
 this city, captain. The following is the  
 full list of officers:

Captain, John H. Clisby.  
 First Lieutenant, W. B. Taylor.  
 Junior First Lieutenant, J. G. Thom-  
 as.

Second Lieutenant, J. A. Ware.

First Sergeant, S. T. Westcott.

Second Sergeant, John Peacher, Jr.

Third Sergeant, A. K. Wagner.

Fourth Sergeant, T. D. Semple.

Q. M. Sergeant, J. M. Riggs.

Color Sergeant, A. S. Taylor.

1st Corporal, A. D. Sayre.

2d Corporal, W. C. Wright.

3d Corporal, S. T. Campbell.

4th Corporal, W. H. Rives.

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 September 1884, 4.

**County Finances.**

Statement showing receipts and disbursements  
 of Montgomery County for six months, end-  
 ing December 31, 1884.

**GENERAL FUND:**

July 1st, 1884, balance on hand.....	\$10,536 52
Received since that date from Wm.	
Bellinger, sheriff, judge's fee.....	51 80
T. S. Herbert, sheriff, judge's fee.....	55 10
F. S. Ferguson, solicitor, judge's fee....	36 00
A. D. Sayre, clerk.....	106 00

*The Weekly Advertiser* (Montgomery, AL),  
 6 Jan 1885.

**THE STATE OF ALABAMA.**  
**Montgomery County.**

We the undersigned, whose duty it is made by Section 4618 of the Code of Alabama, to witness and certify the execution of John West, do hereby certify that we attended said execution, and that said John West was this day hung by the neck until he was dead in the Common jail of said county in pursuance to his sentence, given under our hands this 13th day of March, A. D. 1885.

**F. C. RANDOLPH,**  
Judge Probate.  
**A. D. SAYRE,**  
Clerk City Court of Montgomery.

"John West's Execution," *Montgomery Weekly Advertiser*, 17 March 1885, 1.

**HOTEL ARRIVALS.**

The following is a list of travelers registered at the principal hotels yesterday, and up to the hour of going to press, who remained over night in the city:

Maxwell House

A.D. Sayre and family, Montgomery, Ala.  
*The Tennessean* (Nashville), 18 May 1885, 8.

**HOTEL ARRIVALS.**

The following is a list of travelers registered at the principal hotels yesterday, and up to the hour of going to press, who remained over night in the city:

Linck's Hotel

A.D. Sayre, Montgomery.  
*The Tennessean* (Nashville), 19 May 1885, 8.

Montgomery Advertiser.

Hon. W. H. Barnes, president of the State Bar Association, has appointed and announced the following committees of the association:

On Correspondence.—F. G. Brömberg, Esq., Mobile, chairman; A. D. Sayre, Esq., Montgomery; Z. M. P. Inge, Esq., Mobile; John D. Brandon, Esq., Huntsville; John D. Burnett, Esq., Evergreen.

*The Selma Times*, 27 Aug 1885, 2.

**New Street Railway Company.**

Yesterday a declaration of incorporation for the formation of the "Montgomery Street Railway Company," with a capital of \$30,000, was filed in the office of the Secretary of State by Messrs. Jno. W. Watts, R. L. Irwin, W. T. Chandler, Geo. W. Townsend, Augustus Rogers, A. D. Sayre and Thos. J. Scott. All of these gentlemen are well known here and are possessed of the necessary push and energy to bring about success in their enterprise. After the usual thirty days' notice, books of subscriptions will be opened to the public and the stock will probably be readily taken.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 12 July 1885, 5.

Hotel Arrivals  
Maxwell House

A.D. Sayre and wife, Montgomery, Ala.  
*The Tennessean* (Nashville), 13 Sep 1885, 8.

**Chancery Court.**

One case was argued in the Chancery Court yesterday, that of Patsie Williams vs. Mary Boyle. The case was argued by A. D. Sayre, Esq., for the complainant, and Geo. F. Moore, Esq., for the defendant. The Chancellor has not rendered his decision in the case yet. The court will meet at the usual hour this morning.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 8 April 1886, 8.

**Chancery Court.**

In the Chancery court yesterday the case of Waldo P. Wilson vs. Barry L. Holt, was submitted for final decree on written arguments.

A reference was held by the Register in the case of Patsie Williams vs. Mary Boyle, A. D. Sayre appearing for the complainant and Geo. F. Moore for the defendant. The reference was continued until to-morrow.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 18 April 1886, 5.

### **An Invitation to Dinner.**

Not being able to see them personally I respectfully invite the following named gentlemen to join me in a dinner at Jackson's Lake on Saturday, the 31st inst. The train going North leaves the Union Depot at 8:30 a. m.:

Thos M Arrington, F C Randolph, T S Herbert, V M Elmore, E R Holt, T Lomax, H B Metcalf, C L Mathews, Frank Hall, J P Armstrong, W H Hubbard, Darry Semple, Gordon Macdonald, Robt McKee, W B Jones, W A McBryde, C H Williams, Chappell Cory, Joel Barnett, R S Williams, C K Duncan, A D Sayre, Alva Fitzpatrick, Thos Williams, Green Mashburn, R M Williamson, Jerome Cochran, Harris Gunter, Hal T Walker, T N McClellan, H C Davidson, J L Cobbs, John Nicross.

Busily engaged in the City Court, it is impossible for me to invite these gentlemen personally; therefore I adopt this method. This entertainment is given to my brother officers of the courts, with whom, for several years past, I have been on terms of intimacy and kindness.

**F. S. FERGUSON.**

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 29 July 1886, 8.

### **Card From Capt. F. S. Ferguson.**

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Nov. 13th, 1886.

EDITORS ADVERTISER: Major Semple has issued a circular to the members of the Legislature of Alabama in which, among other things, he charges, by inference, if not in terms, that persons convicted of gaming or card-playing in the City Court of Montgomery have been fined in sums less than the minimum fine fixed by law. This assertion, if he makes it, I deny—and appeal to the records of said court. It may be that in a small number of said cases the fines have been remitted or reduced by the court, but in all such cases the reasons have been given for such remitter or reduction on the minutes of the court. This course is fully authorized by law. I state this in behalf of Judge Arrington, against whom, alone, this attack can now be directed. To sustain my assertions, I appeal to A. D. Sayre, Clerk, Wm. Bellinger, Ex-Sheriff, Thos. S. Herbert, Sheriff, and all the officers of the court.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 14 November 1886, 3.

A true bill.

**JOHN N. BROWDER,**  
Foreman of the Grand Jury.

Presented in open court by the foreman of the grand jury in the presence of thirteen other members of the grand jury this the 25th day of February, 1886.

**A. D. SAYRE,**  
Clerk of the City Court of Montgomery.  
Filed this 25th day of February, 1886.

**A. D. SAYRE,**  
Clerk of the City Court of Montgomery.  
[Friday, March 5, 1886.]

The State (4799) vs. Bogan. Keeping gaming table.

Came the defendant in open court and pleaded guilty as charged in the third count, and the fine of twenty dollars being paid the defendant was discharged.

The State of Alabama, Montgomery county:

I, A. D. Sayre, clerk of the City Court of Montgomery, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the indictment, with indorsements thereon, and of the judgment entry in the case of the State vs. Bogan.

**A. D. SAYRE, Clerk.**

Dec. 2, 1886.

"Major Semple's Reply to Judge Arrington's Card," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 3 December 1886, 2.

One silver ice spoon, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Sayre.

"1861-1886: Silver Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Warren D. Brown," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 14 Dec 1886, 1.

### **Judge T. M. Arrington.**

Judge T. M. Arrington on yesterday took the oath of office before Justice Jackson and entered upon his new term of six years as judge of the City court of Montgomery. He enjoys to the fullest extent the confidence of his fellow citizens, who recognize in him an able, impartial and honest judicial officer.

Mr. A. D. Sayre was re-appointed clerk and took the oath of office before Justice Jackson. He has filled the position admirably and to the entire satisfaction of all who have had business with the office.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 2 March 1887, 4.

## A TEST CASE.

### The Claim of Court Officers Against the Fine and Forfeiture Fund.

A case to test the claim of officers of court has been argued before the board of revenue and remains to be determined by the courts. The case has already awakened considerable interest.

The code provides that in cases where persons are convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary the clerk shall issue execution for the costs, and upon the return of the execution "no property found," the parties are given a claim upon the fine and forfeiture fund for the costs. This was the only resource of officers for the payment of their fees up to the time of the passage of the convict bill by the general assembly two years ago. By section 31 of that bill it is provided that the money received by the state from the first twelve months' hire of the convict in the penitentiary shall be appropriated to the payment of the costs of conviction. Under the classification of convicts, and by reason of the ruling of the Auditor the food bill of the prisoner is part of the costs to be paid out of the first twelve months hire, of the convicts, the money realized therefrom has been found insufficient in a large number of cases to pay the fees of officers and witnesses in full. The officers, therefore, would lose a large amount of the fees allowed them by law unless for this unpaid balance they are allowed a claim against the fine and forfeiture fund. The officers, that is, the sheriff, clerk and solicitor, held a consultation and decided to present their claims for these unpaid balances to the board of revenue to be registered against the fine and forfeiture fund, and the claim of Ex-Solicitor Ferguson was selected to make the test case on. Tennent Lamar, Esq., representing the officers, presented the claim to the board of revenue and argued the matter before them and said board declined to allow the claim, preferring to have the matter determined by the courts. Thereupon Capt. Ferguson, A. D. Sayre, Esq., and Tennent Lomax, Esq., as attorneys for the officers interested, filed an application for mandamus before Judge Hubbard, and by agreement the case has been set down for hearing to-day. Messrs. Moore & Finley, the county's attorneys, will appear and contest the application. As already said, the claim of Capt. Ferguson was selected to make the test case on and the matter involves quite a large sum, as the other officers will file their claims at once should the mandamus be finally awarded.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 27 Jan 1887, 5.

## SHERIFF'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of two executions in my hands from the Circuit Court of Montgomery county, Alabama, in favor of Shemel Gresham and A. D. Sayre vs. John W. Watts and one from the chancery Court of Montgomery county, Alabama, in favor of V. M. Elmore for use of officers of Court vs. John W. Watts, I will proceed to sell on the third Monday in July, 1887, it being the eighteenth day of said month at the Artesian Basin in the City of Montgomery, Ala., to the highest, best and last bidder, for cash, during the legal hours of sale, the following real estate as the property of Jno. W. Watts, situated in the county of Montgomery, Alabama, to-wit: Two-thirds interest in 17 acres of land south of and adjoining D. S. Troy's residence; four lots in Wattsville; house and lot on the N E corner of Jackson and Pelham streets; lots 43, 44 and 45, south side of Alabama street; lots 45 and 43, north side of Alabama street; lot eight (8), west side of Union St.

T. S. HERBERT, Sheriff, M. C.

June 17, 1887.

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*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 17 June 1887, 8.

## In the Circuit Court.

The case of Rike vs. Morrill involving some complicated points was tried in the Circuit Court yesterday. Morrill is the well known Montgomery constable and the suit grew out of his surrender of property as a constable of Justice Townsend's court to a constable of the court of Justice Jackson. In a former action, the plaintiff Rike had recovered a judgment before Justice Townsend against Mr. Gilmer and an execution had been levied on certain personal property of the defendant by Morrill. The defendant then brought suit in detinue before Justice Jackson against Morrill, on the ground that the judgment of Justice Townsend was absolutely void, because his office was not in the beat of his jurisdiction. Justice Jackson sustained the point, and Morrill surrendered the property in controversy to Constable Abrams of Justice Jackson's court. Rike then brought suit against Morrill on his bond as constable for unlawfully surrendering the property.

Mr. A. D. Sayre represents the plaintiff and Messrs. Moore and Finley the Defendant. The case was ably argued and Judge Hubbard reserved his decision in the case.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 21 June 1887, 1.

# ACROSS THE LINE.

Just a Little Too Much.

AND DUKE IS ASKED TO SKIP.

A Colored Editor and His Paper

BRING ABOUT A PUBLIC MEETING,

Which Adopts a Series of Resolutions.

AS POINTED AND EMPHATIC AS THEY ARE BRIEF.

The "Montgomery Herald" is a weekly newspaper published in this city, and edited by a colored man named Jesse Duke. He is a rather short, stout, pure-blooded negro, though not coal-black. His antecedents are known to the extent that he came here from Selma, they say "between suns." He was prominent in politics in Dallas, and was an Arthur delegate to the last National Republican Convention, and has been openly charged by his fellow delegates with having made \$900 out of Mr. Blaine's supporters. He was for a long time mail agent on the road between Montgomery and Selma, and went out with the advent of President Cleveland. He was still figuring in Dallas politics at the last congressional election, but has had his home in Montgomery for a long time. For more than a year he has been editing the Herald and taking a more or less prominent part in public affairs among the colored people of Montgomery. He is the possessor of unusual intelligence and immeasurable assurance. He is married, reads and writes with some lapses in his grammar, and contrives generally to make his presence in a community felt.

But it seems that Montgomery is no longer to be honored by so distinguished and accomplished a politician, journalist and citizen. On last Saturday his paper came out and contained, among other things, an original article of such tenor that public opinion, patient as it is in Montgomery, could not brook.

THE HERALD'S ARTICLE was as follows:

"Every day or so we read of the lynching of some negro for the outraging of some white woman. Why is it that white women attract negro men now more than former days? There was a time when such a thing was unheard of. There is a secret to this thing, and we greatly suspect it is the growing appreciation of the white Juliet for the colored Romeo, as he becomes mere and more intelligent and refined.

"If something is not done to break up these lynchings, if will be so after awhile that they will lynch every colored man that looks at a white woman with a twinkle in his eye."

Since the appearance of the article public indignation has grown in volume. The quiet of the Sabbath day was not disturbed, however, by more than a discussion of the best plan to pursue. It was concluded to wait until Monday and then quietly call on Duke and demand that he leave the city and leave for good.

Yesterday morning a

#### PUBLIC MEETING

was held in Justice Fuller's office, which is located on south Court street, a few doors below the Herald office. About seventy-five good citizens were present, many of them prominent in the several walks of life. An infinite number of resolutions were proposed, and many mild suggestions were made. At the suggestion of Dr. I. L. Watkins, who presided, and of some other cooler heads present, a committee was appointed to wait on Duke and give him eight hours to leave town coupled with a warning not to come back. The committee went to the Herald office, but the

#### BIRD HAD FLOWN.

Lawyer Garner, a colored attorney, whose office is in the same building, informed them that Duke had left town on Friday last. He didn't know where he was and was solicitous that they give him a chance to explain. The committee returned to the meeting and reported the result of their trip. At the suggestion of the cooler heads, a committee of ten were appointed to meet at the Southern Warehouse in the afternoon and adopt, in deliberation after calm discussion, a course of action that would meet the end in view and go no further than the situation demanded. The meeting then adjourned.

In the afternoon at 5 o'clock, the Committee of Ten and twenty others met at the Southern Warehouse's office. There was nothing secret about it and both the morning papers had reporters present who acted as secretaries. The sentiment of the meeting was that the situation demanded simply that the city and county be

#### RID OF DUKE,

and the shortest cut to that end was the best. No violence was proposed or discussed, and no thought was expressed that he would hesitate to obey the summons. Some suggestion had been made by the committee that visited Duke's office to break up the type and paraphernalia of the room, but it was abandoned on learning that it was not the property of Duke but of A. S. Loveless.

The sentiment of the afternoon meeting was decidedly against any mob violence of any sort. That the sentiment was as dignified as it was determined, is shown by the following resolutions which were

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Resolved, That we, the white people of Montgomery, denounce this as an intolerable insult, to which we will not submit.

Resolved, That the editor, Jesse Duke, is a vile and dangerous character, who seems bent on inculcating doctrines among his race that are a menace to society and to every white woman in the land.

Resolved, That the above does not call for an apology on his part or a promise not to re-

peat it, but stamps him as a scoundrel who has crossed the limit of toleration in this community.

Resolved, That he cannot live in Montgomery or Montgomery county and is hereby warned to keep away or take the consequences.

Resolved, That the owners of the Herald are warned not to allow such language used in its columns again.

A committee of three were appointed to circulate the resolutions for additional signatures as it was desired that the matter should have the dignity and deliberation of a public protest against a common insult. The signatures are as follows:

J A Whiting  
E Beebe,  
W H Newbol  
A D Sayre,  
J K McDonald  
C Y Bogacki  
W L Hutchins  
H B Hale.

The same committee of ten were instructed by resolution to be at the depot and meet the regular trains, and if Duke came in on any of them to serve him with the notice embodied in the resolutions set forth.

The following resolutions were adopted in reference to the colored university:

Resolved, That since the Herald an infamous sheet, published in this city by colored men and owned and edited by the most intelligent and "educated" of their race, who are signers to calls for aid to assist in bringing to our city the colored University, has seen fit to express in its columns sentiments relative to the elevation and education of the colored man being an attraction and a preference toward him by the white ladies of this community; that as citizens of Montgomery we deprecate any further efforts being made to introduce any such "Educated" Romeos in our midst and request that all subscribers among the white people of this city withdraw their subscription or other countenance or aid in any manner whatever at once for the building of or bringing to this city any such University.

Resolved, That the Governor of Alabama is earnestly requested to do all in his power to prevent the capital city of our State from being made a breeding place for any such "education."

The Montgomery Advertiser,  
16 August 1887, 1.

### A Pleasant Card Party.

Last night a pleasant card party was given by Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Sayre, at their residence on Amanda street. It was given complimentary to Miss Mamie Sublette, of Louisville, Ky., who is visiting Miss Lucy Warran, on Court street.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 6 December 1887, 8.*

### BOARD OF REVENUE.

Proceedings of the Meeting Yesterday—To Meet as a Jury Commission.

The County Board of Revenue met in regular session yesterday, the full Board being present.

Funds in the hands of the County Treasurer belonging to the fine and forfeiture fund amounting to \$473.38, was disposed of, the bids ranging from 54 to 55 cents on the dollar. Mr. A. D. Sayre, Clerk of City Court, was the principal buyer.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 6 Dec. 1887, 1.*

### GEO. W. TOWNSEND.

Call for His Candidacy, and His Reply.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., July 31, 1888.

Geo. W. Townsend, Esq., City.

DEAR SIR:—As you have so faithfully and efficiently served in the office of Justice of the Peace in Precinct No. 8, we request you to again become a candidate for the place believing that in the future, as in the past, you will administer justice "without fear, favor or affection," and endeavor to dignify and render more honorable that important judicial station. Yours very truly.

Messrs. David Clopton, Thomas M. Arrington, W. M. Shoemaker, A. D. Sayre, Alva Fitzpatrick, and others:

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 4 August 1888, 7.*

Mr. A. D. Sayre and family have returned from a visit to Mrs. Sayer's parents at Eddyville, Ky.

*"Personal," The Montgomery Advertiser, 1 October 1887, 5.*

### Sad Death.

Daniel Morgan Sayre, little son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Sayre, died at the family home on South Court street Sunday and was buried yesterday afternoon.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 24 July 1888, 7.*

### OUR EXPOSITION.

A Petition From Citizens to Have Montgomery Exempted From the Gambling Bill.

To the Honorable Senators and Representatives of the General Assembly:

GENTLEMEN:—We the undersigned stockholders and subscribers of the Exposition to be held in this city next fall, desirous of presenting for the entertainment of the visiting public all attractions usually had on such occasions, not in violation of our State law, most respectfully ask that you use your utmost endeavors to have the city of Montgomery exempt from the provisions of the bill entitled a bill for the better suppression of gambling.

We are aware that the bill does not prohibit selling of pools on races or other events occurring in this State, but we are anxious to show the greatest liberality in the management, that the public may be pleased and our Exposition a success.

This is signed as the representatives of the city of Montgomery and county officials, heartily endorsing this petition:

J. H. Clisby, Alderman, Ward 2; E. B. Joseph, Alderman, Ward 4; Thos. H. Carr, President Council; F. C. Randolph, Judge of Probate; A. D. Sayre, Clerk City Court; W. D. Wescott, Sheriff, Wm. J. Dickerson, Tax Assessor.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 23 Feb 1889, 4.*

**THE ROLL OF HONOR.**

**LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS TO THE MONTGOMERY EXPOSITION.**

The Column Foots Up Over Thirteen Thousand Dollars With the Figures Still A-Climbing—The Exposition Must be a Success in the Hands of the People.

J. M. Falkner.....	10.00
A. D. Sayre.....	10.00
J. T. May.....	100.00

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 17 March 1889, 7.*

**A SOUTHERN WELCOME**

**AWAITS THE INTER-STATE FARMERS' ASSOCIATION IN MONTGOMERY.**

But the People Must be Alive to the Demands of the Great Association—A Large Committee on Reception and Entertainment Appointed Yesterday.

J. H. Hartley, S. B. Stern, Simon Gassenheimer, Tennant Lomax, A. D. Sayre, W. W. Herron, J. P. Bullock,

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 18 July 1889, 4.*

**MEMORIAL DAY.**

**Order of Procession and List of Marshals and Committees.**

The procession will form promptly at 3:30 o'clock p. m. on the 26th inst., in front of the Methodist Protestant church, and will proceed without delay to Oakwood Cemetery, along the following route, and in the following order:

**Marshals**

J. F. Johnson, G. D. Noble, Robert McMaster. Joseph Simon, J. T. Brame, Jr., A. S. Knowles, W. W. Pearson, T. Scott Sayre, G. W. Barnett, A. D. Sayre, George F. Moore, Leon Goetter, A. B. Campbell,

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 21 April 1889, 2*

**Other Richmonds.**

Editors Advertiser:

Several days ago you stated that Mr. H. H. Matthews was an applicant for appointment to the office of clerk of the city court, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. A. D. Sayre, the present efficient clerk, who will hold over until his successor is appointed.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 10 Aug 1889, 2.*

**The City Court Clerk.**

Mr. H. H. Matthews has been appointed clerk of the city court, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. A. D. Sayre.

Judge Arrington made the appointment, and it was announced in court yesterday morning.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 14 Aug 1889, 8.*

**A. D. Sayre has resigned the position as clerk of the city court of Montgomery, and will resume the practice of law.**

*"State News," The Columbia Recorder (AL), 15 Aug 1889, 2.*

### PERSONAL.

Mr. J. A. Weiss, the jeweler, has returned from New York.

Col. H. A. Hurbert came down from Blount Springs last night.

Messrs. A. D. Sayre and J. M. White have returned from New York.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 5 Sep 1889, 2.*

The law firm of Callaway & Pearson is dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Pearson and Mr. A. D. Sayre, former clerk of the City Court, form the new law firm of Sayre & Pearson, office in the Moses Building.

"The Day's Doings," *The Montgomery Advertiser, 3 Oct 1889, 5.*

### Democratic Executive Committee of Montgomery County.

A meeting of this committee is called for 12 o'clock, M., on Saturday, March 15th, 1890, at the office of the chairman in the Southern Warehouse (office of Alliance Journal). Business of importance will come before this meeting, calling of next county convention, etc., and a full attendance of members is necessary.

A. D. SAYRE,  
Secretary.  
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W. H. LAWSON,  
Chairman.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 27 Feb 1890, 7.*

### THE DEATH PENALTY.

IMPOSED UPON GREEN BRAXTON IN THE CITY COURT.

He Was Convicted of the Murder of Mr. Louis Pugh—The Jury Was Out Only a Few Moments—A History of the Crime.

The case of the State vs. Green Braxton, colored, indicted for the murder of old man Louis Pugh, last May, near Pine Level, in this county, was tried on yesterday in the City Court of Montgomery.

The State was represented by Solicitor Lomax and Hon. A. A. Wiley; the defendant by G. W. Townsend and A. D. Sayre, Esq.

The jury, after an absence from the court room of a few minutes, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree and fixed the punishment at death.

The defendant was stolid and received the announcement with indifference. Not a muscle of his face moved.

The trial attracted unusual interest, and the court room was filled all day with spectators and witnesses.

#### DETAILS OF THE CRIME.

The crime for which Green Braxton is to pay the penalty on the gallows was shocking in the extreme, and yet it was not unlike many murders that have become part and parcel of the criminal record of the State.

One night last May Mr. Louis Pugh, an aged and highly respected citizen of this county, was murdered at his home, near Pine Level. Mr. Pugh's only companion on that fatal night was a little grandson about 7 years of age. Shortly after they had retired, the old gentleman fell asleep they were startled by a rattling noise at the front window of the room in which they were sleeping. Mr. Pugh got up and lit a lamp and placed his gun at the head of his bed. The noise ceased for a few moments and then the window was suddenly burst open. Mr. Pugh jumped up and reached for his gun, but before he could get it he was shot down. His little grandson awakened, and startled by the report of the gun, jumped up in his bed. A voice from the outside called to him to get up and put out the lamp or he would be killed too. The terrified boy obeyed, but as he got back in bed he was fired on and wounded. He rolled over and fell on the floor behind the bed, where he remained perfectly quiet.

The murderers, supposing that they had killed both occupants of the room entered and proceeded to plunder. They carried off a trunk in which Mr. Pugh kept his money and rifled it of several hundred dollars. After giving the murderers and robbers time enough to get off the little boy left the house and ran off to the home of an old Negro man near by and reported what had occurred. The old negro took the wounded boy in his arms and carried him to his father's house.

The officers of the law at once began an investigation of the case. Green Braxton suddenly disappeared from the neighborhood, but was finally captured, after a long chase. The evidence adduced on the trial was clear and convincing, and left no doubt of the defendant's guilt.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 30 Nov 1889, 4.*



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The following are the members to date:

ville, T. J. Scott, W. W. Screws, M. Sabel, Jr., A. S. Stewart, A. D. Sayre, L. Seligman, M. M. Sweatt, H. C.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 2 March 1890, 4.*

**THE DECISION RESERVED.**

**Out City Court Clerk Mathews' Application For Mandamus.**

The application of H. H. Matthews Clerk of the City Court of Montgomery for mandamus requiring the State Auditor to draw his warrant on the State Treasurer in his favor for solicitors fees in felony cases, was heard yesterday afternoon before Hon. T. M. Arrington, Judge of the City Court of Montgomery. A. D. Sayre, Esq., appeared for the applicant and the Attorney General for the Auditor. The Judge reserved his decision for the present.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 16 Mar 1890, 5.*

**COUNTY POLITICS.**

**RTHER A DULL CAMPAIGN FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY.**

**Only Representatives and Senators to Be Elected and Nobody in the Field.—Probable Candidates.—Meeting of the Executive Committee To-Day.**

The Montgomery county campaign for 1890 has not aroused much life or interest yet.

If it is sort of an off year our county politics and [the campaign will be comparatively dull all the way through.

The only elections to be held in the county this year are for Representatives and a State Senator. Several gentlemen have been mentioned as "good timber" and "probable candidates," but there have been no announcements made so far.

Messrs. A. D. Sayre, Thomas H. Clark, E. B. Joseph, Alva Fitzpatrick, J. R. McLendon, J. M. Anderson and Joel Barnett and perhaps others have been mentioned as probable candidates for the lower House of the Legislature. Four Representatives are to be elected. Hon. A. A. Wiley and Col. James N. Arrington have been mentioned as probable candidates for the Senate.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 15 Mar 1890, 7.*

**MONTGOMERY DIRT.**

**Real Estate Transfers Made During the Week.**

Deeds filed for record in the Probate office during the past week show the following real estate transfers:

A. D. Sayre and wife to Mary L. Judkins, lot 2, on Cobbs street, Rosenstok plat. Consideration..... 250

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 23 Mar 1890, 7.*

#### FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

Mr. A. D. Sayre is Now Announced as a Candidate.

Mr. A. D. Sayre is now in the field as a candidate for the Legislature. Mr. Sayre was for many years clerk of the City Court of Montgomery and had the reputation of being the best court clerk in Alabama. He resigned that position some months ago to give his time and talents to the practice of his profession, the law. He is a young man of fine character, sound judgment and splendid qualifications for public service. He is well known and popular throughout the city and county, and if elected, he will make an able and creditable representative.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 26 Mar 1890, 4.

MONTGOMERY—Convention April 30. Candidates for the Senate, James N. Arrington, Esq., and Col. A. A. Wiley. Thos. H. Clark, A. D. Sayre and Alva Fitzpatrick are announced candidates for the House.

"State Politics," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 28 Mar 1890, 8.

In Beat 3 there was on many tickets an informal expression of choice for members of the House, and it footed up for B. H. Screws 356, A. D. Sayre 295, A. Fitzpatrick 126, Thos. H. Clark 111, J. R. McLendon 73, and G. N. Gilchrist 15. In Beat Four there was a

"Montgomery County: Result of the Contest for Delegates to the Convention," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 20 April 1890, 2.

Mrs. A. D. Sayre and children left yesterday to spend the remainder of the summer at her old home in Kentucky.

"Personal," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 11 July 1890, 7.

#### THE RUMORED SLATE.

A number of interesting rumors were floating around town yesterday evening, and one was that the Alliance men had already made out a legislative slate to be run through for the Legislature to-day. There are four Representatives to be nominated, and the rumored slate was J. N. Gilchrist, E. R. Moore, and J. M. Townsend from the country, and A. D. Sayre from the city.

"Just before the Battle," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 30 April 1890, 2.

The Chair announced that B. H. Screws, A. D. Sayre and Walton W. Hill had received a majority of votes cast, and declared them to be nominees of the Democracy of Montgomery county for Representatives in the Legislature.

"Unterrified! Montgomery Democracy in Convention," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 1 May 1890, 2.

#### THE "NEW SOUTH"

Organized a Branch Board In Montgomery Yesterday.

A meeting of the Montgomery stockholders of the "New South Building and Loan Association" of New Orleans, was held in the director's room of the Bank of Montgomery at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Dun's Commercial Agency. The following officers were unanimously elected:

M. P. LeGrand, Jr., President,  
Millard M. Sweat, Secretary.  
W. H. Hubbard, Treasurer.  
A. D. Sayre, Attorney.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 29 Aug 1890, 7.

Mrs. A. D. Sayre and children have returned from their summer stay at Mrs. Sayre's old home in Kentucky.

"Personals," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 20 Sep 1890, 7.

Hon. A. D. Sayre, of this city, on motion of George F. Moore, Esq., was admitted to practice in the United States Courts.

"U.S. District Court," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 6 Nov 1890, 6.

#### Impeachment Proceedings.

On the report of a grand jury of Cherokee County, made to the circuit court of that county at the July term 1889, and certified to me, I instituted, in the Supreme Court, September 6, 1889, impeachment proceedings against R. R. Savage, Judge of Probate of Cherokee County, charging him with habitual drunkenness while in office. He appeared by counsel and moved to squash the information on various grounds, which motion was overruled. He then pleaded not guilty to the charge, whereupon an order was entered of record by consent, appointing A. D. Sayre, Esq., of Montgomery, as commissioner to take the testimony in the cause; and on the first day of February, 1890,—the cause having been submitted prior to that date—judgment was entered removing the respondent from the office of Judge of Probate and disqualifying him from holding office under the authority of this State, for the term for which he was elected. See the case reported, 89 Ala. 1-12.

"The Attorney-General's Biennial Report," *Daily Advertiser* (Montgomery), 23 Nov 1890, 7

#### THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

A Full List of Senators and Representatives Elected August 4th.

Montgomery—B. H. Screws; A. D. Sayre; J. N. Gilchrist; W. W. Hill.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 9 Nov 1890, 4.

#### THE INAUGURAL

OF GOVERNOR-ELECT THOMAS G. JONES ON MONDAY NEXT.

The Ceremonies Will Be Worthy of the Man and the Occasion—The Soldiers and Citizens Will Witness the Inauguration.

S. D. Bloch and J. C. Compton Committee on the part of the Senate; A. D. Sayre, Thos. K. Jones, and J. A. Waters Committee on the part of the House.

*The Montgomery Advertiser*, 27 Nov 1890, 2.

### THE EFFECT IN ALABAMA.

A Comprehensive Expression of Opinions  
From Leading Citizens of the State.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., April 29.—President Harrison in his Southern tour received the most emphatic and enthusiastic reception in Birmingham and Alabama. His speeches were cheered to the echo and his presence honored with every conceivable demonstration, but that his tour has added any to his political ambitions may best be judged from the communications solicited by the correspondent of THE COMMERCIAL from the State senators and legislators of this State. Among the lot only one declares for Harrison, and he does not honor his communication with a signature. However, a perusal of the views appended will best show the spirit in which President Harrison was received:

A. D. Sayre—Harrison's Southern tour will discover nothing so much as the generosity of the Southern people. Politically it will accomplish nothing for Harrison or his party, because the expanding South finds no future promise in the narrow mind that advocated the force bill, nor in the narrow policy which seriously impairs the purchasing power of her great products. Blaine, of the trio, is in statesmanship and feeling most Southern.

"Two Vital Errors," *The Memphis Commercial*, 30 Apr 1891, 1+.

The Council then proceeded to the election of the Board of School Examiners, and the following gentlemen were elected:

Dr. B. J. Baldwin, and Messrs. W. W. Screws, S. M. Levin, Chas. Moritz, Alva Fitzpatrick and A. D. Sayre. Messrs Sayre and Levin were elected for the long term.

"Mayor Crommelin Takes the Oath," *The Montgomery Advertiser*, 19 May 1891, 2.

### BAR ASSOCIATION

Of Alabama Elect Officers and Have a  
Grand Banquet.

Special to the Daily News:

MOBILE, ALA., July 10.—The Bar Association met yesterday at Point Clear.

The following officers were elected: A. B. McEachin of Tuskaloosa, president; Thomas Seay of Greensboro, first vice president; D. P. Bestor of Mobile, second vice president; E. P. Morrisette of Montgomery, third vice president; Amos E. Goodhue of Gadsden, fourth vice president; George W. Peach of Clayton, fifth vice president; Alex Troy of Montgomery secretary and treasurer. J. M. White, W. S. Thorington, A. D. Sayre, Tennent Lomax and Alex Troy, all of Montgomery, Executive Committee. H. C. Tompkins of Mont-

*The Birmingham News*, 10 July 1891, 3.

### MRS. NEWTON WON.

She is Released From Custody Upon a  
Successful Habeas Corpus Issue.

As stated by yesterday's News, Mrs. N. E. H. Newton, of Montgomery county, applied to Judge Sharpe by a writ of habeas corpus for her release from Coalburg prison. Her lawyer, Hon. A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, was successful.

Mrs. Newton, as already stated by the News, shot at a negro gang of laborers about to commence grading on her place. She was tried and fined \$500. But the City Court of Montgomery failed at the time of fixing the fine to name an alternate punishment in case of her failure to pay.

On account of this technical error, it was held that Mrs. Newton could not be imprisoned.

*The Birmingham News*, 26 Aug 1891, 5.

## MRS. NEWTON RELEASED

On a Writ of Habeas Corpus in Birmingham Yesterday.

Mr. A. D. Sayre returned last night from Birmingham, where he went to represent Mrs. Newton in a writ of habeas corpus suit.

Some months ago Mrs. Newton was tried in the City Court here on a charge of assault to murder and was convicted.

She was not sentenced at the time, but the case was appealed to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court confirmed the decision of the lower court, after which she was arraigned and sentenced. Mr. Sayre sued out a writ of habeas corpus on the ground that she should have been sentenced when convicted. The case was heard before Judge Samuel Green, of the Jefferson City Court, and Mrs. Newton was released.

*The Montgomery Advertiser, 26 Aug 1891, 7*

Your committee to select delegates to the Judicial Convention report the following named persons, to-wit:

Tenant Lomax, W. V. Metcalf, S. A. Solomon, J. R. Stewart, J. B. Slaughter, W. D. Westcott, Henry Jones, A. D. Sayre, W. V. Bell, J. W. Bullock, H. H. Matthews, R. C. Mason, T. Scott Sayre, J. T. Cone, John Randolph, F. G. Browder, T. B. Jones, T. M. McDonough, J. N. Arrington.

"All for Jones," *The Montgomery Advertiser, 17 Mar 1892, 7.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

### FOR THE LEGISLATURE.

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for re-election to the House of Representatives, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention.

A. D. SAYRE.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 31 Mar 1892, 3.*

## Mr. A. D. Sayre.

In another column will be found the announcement of Mr. A. D. Sayre that he is a candidate for re-election as a member of the Lower House of the General Assembly.

Mr. Sayre has served one term in the House and made there an enviable reputation for ability. No man in the House left a stronger impression of sobriety and good sense in all that he said in debate and in the votes he cast. He is a more than usually able lawyer; he is widely conversant with public affairs and his entry into the present contest gives assurance that if he is nominated the county will have an able and conscientious representative on the floor of the House.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 29 March 1892, 7.*

The candidates for the various county offices are as follows:

For Assemblymen: Thos. H. Clark, A. D. Sayre, Walton Hill, J. H. McLeod, W. D. Dillard, Francis B. Lloyd.

"Looks Like Randolph," *Montgomery Advertiser, 10 April 1892, 4.*

## DEMOCRATIC COUNTY TI

For Probate Judge.  
F. C. RANDOLPH.

For Sheriff.  
W. R. WALLER.

For Tax Collector.  
E. S. ARMISTEAD.

For Tax Assessor,  
W. J. DICKERSON.

For Treasurer.  
AMOS JONES.

For Representatives.  
A. D. SAYRE.  
T. H. CLARK.  
W. W. HILL.  
F. B. LLOYD.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 26 April 1892, 4*

### Second Judicial Circuit.

The Second Judicial Circuit Convention was called to order in the Recorder's court room at 12 o'clock yesterday by Mr. Lomax, of Montgomery. After calling the Convention to order, Mr. Lomax nominated Mr. A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, as temporary chairman, who was elected by acclamation. Mr. Lomax then nominated Mr. Williams, of Pike, as temporary secretary. He was also elected by acclamation. Mr. Lomax then moved that the Convention adjourn until 12 o'clock to-day, which was carried.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 9 June 1892, 2.*

## IN THE COURTS.

### AN IMPORTANT PETITION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.

**The Circuit Court Takes up a Railroad Damage Suit for \$25,000—Two Important Decrees in the Chancery Court Yesterday—Other Matters.**

In the United States Circuit Court yesterday the petition of E. P. Axtell, of Jacksonville, Fla., for an intervention to file a claim for attorney fees for the receiver of the Mobile and Girard Road in certain cases he had in Florida, was argued. Leave was granted for the intervention and the matter was referred to Special Master A. D. Sayre, who will take testimony and report thereon at a later day.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 29 June 1892, 2.*

## MOUNT CARMEL.

### The Annual Barbecue and Political Speaking Friday.

Hon. A. D. Sayre and others were there, but on account of the lateness of the hour they did not speak.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 12 July 1892, 5.*

### The House.

The House of Representatives consists of 100 members, all of whom were elected first Monday in August. The following are those elected as far as heard from.

Montgomery—A. D. Sayre, Thos. H. Clarke, W. W. Hill and F. B. Lloyd.

*"Election Echoes," Montgomery Advertiser, 7 August 1892, 4.*

## Notice of Final Settlement.

**The United States of America vs. The Mobile and Girard Company et al.—United States Circuit Court Fifth Judicial Circuit for the Middle District of Alabama.—In equity.**

Benj. W. Walker, the receiver in the above entitled cause, having filed his petition asking for a final auditing and settlement of his accounts and discharge as said receiver, and the same having been referred to me as special master in the cause for report, notice is hereby given that a reference of the matters contained in such petition will be executed by me at my office in the Moses Building in the city of Montgomery on the 23rd day of November, inst. This the 23rd day November, 1892.

**A. D. SAYRE,**  
Special Master.

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*Montgomery Advertiser, 18 Nov 1892, 5.*

# THE CITIZENS' CHARTER.

They Will Make One for the City  
of Montgomery.

IT WILL GIVE THE MAYOR MORE POWER

sentiment Tends to Make the Mayor Absolute Head of City Government—Committee Appointed to Prepare Charter—Council Invited to Meet Wednesday.

The opposition against the new city charter adopted by the Council last Monday night came to a head when a number of prominent citizens met last night to talk over the matter.

The meeting was held in the office of Marks & Massie, on Dexter Avenue, with the following gentlemen present: Drs. J. B. Gaston, B. J. Baldwin, J. H. Blue; Messrs. Jno. G. Crommelin, A. D. Sayre, Thos. H. Clark, Jno. B. Fuller, A. P. Tyson, R. B. Snodgrass, Charles Sterne, A. A. Wiley, C. A. Lanier, E. P. Morrisette, G. W. Craik.

Montgomery Advertiser, 7 Jan 1892, 2.

## FOR CHANCELLOR.

Candidates for the Vacancy Are Being Announced.

The work of the Chancellor is a very continuous and laborious one, and but little time can be lost. The names of those men being mentioned for the vacancy created by the death of Judge Foster who will be presented to the Governor are: Messrs. A. D. Sayre and D. T. Blakey, of Montgomery; John P. Hubbard, of Pike; J. C. Richardson and John Gamble, of Butler; Jere N. Williams of Barbour and Fleming Law of Bullock. They all have strong and influential following and there has been no intimation of what the Governor will do.

Montgomery Advertiser, 31 Jan 1892, 5.

## TWO NEW CIRCUITS.

Mr. Walker from the joint committee on the subject made the following report: To the Senate and House of Representatives:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred the practicability and advisability of redistricting the Judicial Circuits of the State, and to report by bill or otherwise some relief for those portions of the State requiring more courts, beg leave to submit the following report:

We find on investigation that a similar joint committee with similar powers and duties was created during the session of 1890-91 of the General Assembly, and that after a very thorough investigation made by them at that time, sitting as they did through the recess, and taking proof from all over the State, they reported the creation of two additional judicial circuits not only advisable, but necessary for the administration of justice.

From the information obtained by this Committee we are confirmed in the opinion then expressed by that committee with considerable increase of argument and reason why this growing demand for two new judicial circuits should be created. We believe it to be absolutely necessary and that the necessary relief can not be had in any other practical way, hence your committee herewith reports two bills of similar import to be introduced both in the House and Senate as a report to both Houses of this committee; and in order to insure if possible a speedy consideration by both Houses of this important matter.

Your committee reports a bill changing the time of holding the Circuit Courts of the 2nd, 3rd, 8th and 9th circuits, also defining the same and fixing the place of holding said courts. To create two additional judicial circuits in the State of Alabama, one of them to be numbered and called the 11th Judicial Circuit, the other to be numbered and called the 12th Judicial Circuit, and to fix the times and places of holding the courts in said circuits and to provide for a judge and solicitor for each of said judicial circuits.

Your Committee having thus reported recommend the immediate passage of the said bills by the General Assembly. Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Walker, Chairman; H. Austill, E. B. Almon, J. W. Inzer, W. L. Stansel, on part of Senate; A. S. Fletcher, T. L. Sowell, John McQueen, George A. Joiner, A. D. Sayre, N. H. R. Dawson, P. L. Holt, Neil McCarron, A. A. McDonald, S. P. Rather, Thos. E. Knight, Wm. A. Smaw, on part of House.

The report was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

"The General Assembly," Weekly Advertiser (Montgomery), 7 Feb 1893, 2.

### **Non-Resident Notice**

No. 1131. W. C. Agee, vs. Charles Scheerer, et. als. In the City Court of Montgomery. In equity.

In this case it is made to appear to the Court by the affidavit of A. D. Sayre, Attorney for the complainant, that the defendant, Charles Scheerer, R. H. McClellan and F. B. Pickering, are non-residents of the State of Alabama, and that Charles Scheerer and R. H. McClellan reside at Galena, Illinois, and that F. B. Pickering resides at Tonawanda, in the State of New York, and further, that, in the belief of said affiant, the defendants are of the age of twenty-one years.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 19 April 1893, 5.*

### **Organized Under the New Law— Election of Officers.**

The Board of Education had its first meeting last Friday night when the members were sworn in by Alderman Jno. H. Clisby. After this formality was gone through with, the Board adopted rules and regulations for its own organization and government and prescribed rules governing the examination and election of teachers. Dr. B. J. Baldwin was elected President, Mr. Chas. T. Moritz, Vice-President, and Mr. A. D. Sayre, Secretary.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 28 May 1893, 7.*

The following persons were placed in nomination as a Board of Education for the respective terms set opposite their names.

Dr. B. J. Baldwin for a term of five years.

Mr. Charles Moritz for a term of four years.

Dr. J. L. Gaston for a term of three years.

Mr. J. L. Cobbs for a term of two years.

Mr. A. D. Sayre for a term of one year.

*"City Council," Montgomery Advertiser, 19 May 1893, 8.*

### **Notice to Teachers.**

An examination of applicants for places in the Montgomery Public Schools, including a principal for the Capitol Hill School at a salary of \$1200 per annum, will be held at Sayre Street School building Wednesday, June 14th, beginning at 8:30 a. m. For information address C. L. Floyd, Supt.

A. D. Sayre,  
Sec. School Board.

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*Montgomery Advertiser, 31 May 1893, 2.*

### **FETTERS MAGAZINE.**

**The June Number Contains a Contribution From a Montgomery Lady.**

The June issue of Fetter's Southern Magazine contains "The Beast That Bought Me," by Mrs. A. D. Sayre, of our city. It is a bold and fearless character sketched perfectly, sustained throughout, and is decidedly the finest creation as yet brought out by Fetter. How refreshing to meet with such a story now-a-days when so much is belabored and bestrutted. The author knows the paths of the deep woods and has culled for us a dewy branch.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 26 May 1893, 10.*  
[Fetter & Bush Publishing Co., Louisville]

The June number of Fetter's Southern Magazine is the setting for a sweet and beautiful story, written by Mrs. A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, Alabama, whose maiden name was Minnie Machen, daughter of ex-U. S. Senator, Willis B. Machen, of Lyon county. The words and thoughts of the story, unpoetically entitled "The Beast That Bought Me," are indicative of that sunny and poetical temperament which was so winsomely portrayed in the fair face, as many will remember it, of the Kentucky lady who penned the plot.

*Kentucky Advocate (Danville), 13 June 1892, 1.*



Hon. A. D. Sayre has written to the Age-Herald an able article in exposition and defense of the election law which bears his name. It will be given to the public at the first opportunity.—Age-Herald.

*Jacksonville Republican (AL), 15 July 1893, 2.*

Hon. A. D. Sayre, the author of the election law, has given to the *Age-Herald* a clear analysis of the statute which is now receiving so much attention from persons who claim that it disfranchises electors in Alabama. He shows conclusively that the objections are more against the officers who are to execute it than the provisions of the same. Its execution must be intrusted somewhere and if the sanction of an oath will not make men do their duty, it is time there is some change in all systems of voting. Mr. Sayre says, "If that presumption must be indulged, then the further fact must be recognized that the people of Alabama need Sunday schools rather than election laws."

The Sayre election law is not perfect, but it is a step in the right direction. It can be remedied in the future. The great contest which called Cleveland a second time to the White House was largely due to the Australian system of voting. It enabled white men in the North to go to the polls free from the intimidation of the manufacturer. It prevented the briber from getting any evidence that the elector delivered the goods in accordance with his agreement and lessened the chances of using money to corrupt the people.

*The West Alabamian (Carrollton), 26 July 1893, 2.*

**Mrs. A. D. Sayre in Fetter's Magazine**  
Fetter's Southern Magazine for August is the notable issue among magazines of the month. It appears with a new editor, Gen. Basil W. Duke, a new form, a new cover and new letterpress. To the outward eye it is now one of the most attractive of the monthlies. The editor has a striking article on the "Naturalist Audubon" and there are a number of strong contributions besides.

To Montgomery people nothing in the current number will prove so interesting as the illustrated article by "Minnie Maehen Sayre" entitled "The Renegade." The story is short and need not be retold here; but to lovers of the short story,

in the writing of which Americans so finely excel, "The Renegade" may be commended as far and away the best production of this gifted writer and one of the very best short stories of the present generation. It is written with a compressed force and grace of style, with one imaginative power, that gives assurance that the Southern people have a new novelist in their midst.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 30 July 1893, 11.*

## A CHICAGO FAILURE.

**A. R. Bick Lumber Company Makes  
An Assignment.**

**Josiah Morris & Co. and Other Firms in  
Montgomery in the List  
Of Assignments.**

**Special to the Banner.**

MONTGOMERY, ALA., August 14.—Following the assignment of Josiah Morris & Co. Saturday night Messrs. J. B. Trimble & Co.'s Savings Bank posted an announcement this morning of assignment to A. D. Sayre, for the benefit of creditors.

*Nashville Banner, 14 August 1893, 5.*

# NOTICE!

Persons indebted to the late firm of J. B. Trimble & Co., will make payment to me. Prompt settlement of these claims will be insisted on. A. D. SAYRE, Assignee.

Montgomery Advertiser, 18 Aug 1893, 2.

## J. B. TRIMBLE & CO.

### A. D. Sayre Resigns as Assignee and Creditors Meet.

A. D. Sayre, Esq., to whom J. B. Trimble & Co. made an assignment of their assets for the benefit of their creditors, has tendered his resignation to the Register in Chancery, and the creditors held a meeting and recommended that the assets be turned over to Mr. George Stuart of the late firm of J. B. Trimble & Co., for the benefit of the creditors. This takes the estate out of the courts and is believed to be the best arrangement that could be made.

Montgomery Advertiser, 23 Aug 1893, 7.

## IN THE COURTS.

### A. D. Sayre's Resignation Accepted—Successor to Be Appointed.

The application of A. D. Sayre to resign the trusteeship of J. B. Trimble & Company, bankers, was heard by the Register in Chancery, V. M. Elmore, yesterday, and the resignation accepted. Register Elmore will probably appoint a successor to Mr. Sayre to-day.

Montgomery Advertiser, 2 Sep 1893, 7.

## To the Democrats of Montgomery County:

I am a candidate for your nomination for State Senator from Montgomery County.  
A. D. Sayre.

Montgomery Advertiser, 4 March 1894, 10.

# THE LAST PROPOSITION

IT IS GENERALLY DISAPPROVED  
BY DEMOCRATS.

It is Not Believed to Have Been Made in Good Faith and There is No Assurance That They Would Abide the Agreement If the Result Was Unfavorable to Them.

Hon. A. D. Sayre, the author of the Sayre election law, passed by the last General Assembly, said: "That is the same old proposition in some new dress; it was made with no idea of its being accepted by the Democrats. I have no idea that it will be accepted."

Montgomery Advertiser, 2 Sep 1893, 17.

## COUNTY POLITICS.

Montgomery Journal.

The announcement of Hon. W. H. Lawson for the senate is the latest development in county politics.

This makes two, if not three, avowed candidates for the nomination, Hon. A. D. Sayre and Walter Hill. It is not certain however, that Mr. Hill will be in the contest. Mr. Lawson is a monometalist, while it is understood Mr. Sayre and Mr. Hill are bimetalists. These facts would not be significant if Senator Morgan's re-election to the federal senate was not an issue in the coming campaign. The Journal has no information however, that Mr. Lawson would vote against Senator Morgan because of his views on the monetary question. It is understood, however, that both Mr. Sayre and Mr. Hill are for Mr. Morgan's re-election.

Selma Times (AL), 1 March 1894, 2.

**For Senator.**  
For Senator—A. D. Sayre, 750; W. H. Lawson, 185.

“Almost 1,000 Majority,”  
*Montgomery Advertiser*, 13 May 1894, 6.

#### MONTGOMERY'S SEVENTEEN.

##### Colonel Oates Secures the Full Delegation from the Capital.

Montgomery, Ala., May 16.—(Special.)—The county convention of this, Montgomery county, met at noon today with Hon. E. A. Graham as chairman. Resolutions were adopted endorsing the administration of President Cleveland and Governor Jones and denouncing the effort of Senator Hoar to corrupt an Alabama election with New England protection money.

The delegates to the state convention were instructed to vote as a unit for Colonel Oates. Hon. A. D. Sayre, a nephew of Senator Morgan and father of the famous Sayre election law, was declared the nominee for state senator and Hon. John W. R. Sanford, Jr., Walton Hill, B. H. Screws and Thomas H. Clark were nominated for the legislature. All of the legislators favor Senator Morgan's re-election, but Mr. Sanford was the only one who openly asserted his warm support of Morgan before the primaries, and it may be interesting that Sanford led the ticket at the polls.

*Atlanta Constitution*, 17 May 1894, 1.

**Senator Sayre Named.**  
The chair at this point announced that the nomination of a Senator to represent Montgomery County was in order. Thereupon Mr. P. B. Mastin named Hon. A. D. Sayre of this city. There being no other nominations Mr. J. H. Screws moved that the rules be suspended and the nomination be made by acclamation. Carried, and Mr. Sayre was nominated by acclamation.

“Instructed for Col. Oates,” *Montgomery Advertiser*, 17 May 1894, 7.

Mr. A. D. Sayre was reelected as a member of the school board for the long term of five years. Mr. Sayre's term expired last night. He was the unanimous choice of the council.

“The Banana-Peel Problem,” *Montgomery Advertiser*, 22 May 1894, 2.

Hon. F. L. Pettus and A. D. Sayre will address their fellow citizens at—  
Thomasville, Clarke County, July 5.  
Coffeeville, Clarke County, July 6.  
Salitpa, Clarke County, July 6, at night.  
Jackson, Clarke County, July 7.

“Public Speaking,” *Montgomery Advertiser*, 23 June 1894, 6.

#### THE CANVASS.

F. L. Pettus and A. D. Sayre filled their appointments in this county last week. They had a good congregation at Thomasville, including a good per cent. of Kolb men. The editor of this paper was with them at Coffeeville, Salitpa and Jackson. The people gave patient and earnest attention to the speeches of the distinguished gentlemen who came here to speak words of soberness and truth, and we are satisfied that good will result from the meetings. The attendance was not as large as it should have been, but this can be accounted for on the ground that the Kolb people had been requested by their leader whom they delight to obey, not to attend Democratic discussions.

The speakers left Saturday night for their homes. They were kindly and courteously treated wherever they went, and were favorably impressed with the hospitality, the intelligence and the earnestness of our county's democracy.

*Clarke County Democrat* (Grove Hill, AL),  
12 July 1894, 1.

### Pettus and Sayre at Deatsville

Deatsville, July 13.—(Special)—The Kolbites about here have been boasting that the Democracy had no speakers who would meet theirs in joint debate. They had a meeting two miles from here today and Hons. F. L. Pettus and A. D. Sayre to the dismay of the Kolbites were on hand to represent our party. The Jeffs refused to divide time, because they said the campaign committee was not present to authorize it, and they set in to speak against time and choke off any reply. Ellis, Aske and Jones had what Mr. Sayre described as the free coinage of wind for about five hours and finally played out one after the other and had to sit and listen to strong, straight Democratic speeches from Pettus and Sayre. These had the crowd with them almost from the start and fairly flayed the Jeff speakers. The Democrats were delighted and the Kolbites themselves had to acknowledge the argument was all against them. Col Pettus told a number of witty anecdotes at their expense that brought down the house. The Democrats in this neck of the woods will always be glad to see Sayre and Pettus and their work here today will be heard from in August.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 14 July 1894, 2.*

Hon. A. D. Sayre will speak at—  
Coopers, Chilton County, Saturday,  
July 21.

*"Bits of Facts and News," Montgomery Advertiser, 19 July 1894, 5.*

Hon. A. D. Sayre will speak at—  
Sandy Ridge, Lowndes County, July  
31.

*"Public Speaking," Montgomery Advertiser, 22 July 1894, 12.*

Hons. A. D. Sayre and F. B. Lloyd  
(Rufus Sanders) will speak at—  
Mt. Willing, Lowndes County, Tues-  
day, July 31.

*"Public Speaking," Montgomery Advertiser, 28 July 1894, 6.*

### Speaking Every Day Next Week in All Parts of the State.

The State canvass is getting intensely interesting and appointments are out for every day next week. The election takes place next Monday week.

Hon. R. H. Clarke came to the city last night from Knights Ferry, in Chilton county, where he spoke yesterday to an appreciative audience. Hon. A. D. Sayre of this county also spoke at the same place. Col. Clarke leaves this morning on the 6:20 train for Salem, Lee county, where he and Col. Oates speak today. Col. Clarke speaks in Opelika tonight and Col. Oates at Phoenix City.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 28 July 1894, 7.*

On Friday the 27th inst Hons R. H. Clarke of Mobile and A. D. Sayre of your city, addressed their fellow citizens of Chilton county at Knight's Ferry. A short notice being given that these distinguished gentlemen and satesmen would be with us, word was hurriedly sent to different portions of the surrounding community and by 11 o'clock quite a respectable crowd of ladies and men, girls and boys, from Cooper, Verbena, Mountain Creek and near the Ferry had assembled. It was a gala day for the boys and girls, who whirled their time away boat riding and fishing. Hon. A. D. Sayre was first introduced by Mr. F. B. Baldwin in his inimitable style, Col. Sayre refusing to occupy much time, delivered one of his fine and effective speeches as is usual with him. Col. Clarke was next introduced. He arose and asked the audience to cluster around him. In a simple, plain, straight-forward manner he fed that band of loyal Democrats for two and a half hours upon that we have hungered for, during these many months. Those of the opposite side were either convinced or made ashamed.

*"Turn-Around," Montgomery Advertiser, 1 Aug 1894, 3.*

The members of the next General Assembly from this county elected yesterday are as follows: Senator, A. D. Sayre; Representatives, Thos. H. Clark, B. H. Screws, John W. A. Sanford, Jr., and W. W. Hill. Messrs. Clark and Hill were members of the last House of Representatives. Captain Screws was a member of the House in 1890. Mr. Sanford will be a new member. Senator Sayre was a member of the last House in 1892.

*"Overwhelming Majority," Montgomery Advertiser, 7 Aug 1894, 2.*

#### THE SAYRE LAW A SUCCESS.

Hon. A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, has conferred a blessing upon the state and won lasting renown for himself through the election law which bears his name. It is an admirable system of voting, as far ahead of the old way as Sunday is of Monday. There is nothing difficult about it, and it is just as rapid as need be. The voter goes in, gets a ticket from the inspectors, steps aside in a place all by himself and selects the men he will vote for. There is absolute freedom to vote as he pleases. Every voter has the same ticket and votes it in secrecy. The opportunities of manipulation are reduced by many per cent, especially in the matter of the festive ticket distributor around the polls, who has been by this law utterly abolished. We do not hesitate to declare, on the result of yesterday's work, that the law is a success and must be maintained. Not only maintained, but improved in the few weak places which the test of practice has developed.—Age-Herald.

*Selma Times, 8 Aug 1894, 2.*

#### A TESTED LAW.

The "Sayre" election law in Alabama, so-called from its author, Hon. A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, has undergone in the late election in that state a searching and crucial test, from whence it comes with nothing but commendation on the part of the democratic press.

It is called "a modified form of the Australian ballot," and appears to have operated to the complete satisfaction and success of the dominant party in Alabama. "It is an advisable system of voting," says the Birmingham Age-Herald. "There is nothing difficult about it, and it is just as rapid as need be. The voter goes in, gets a ticket from the inspectors, steps aside in a place all by himself and selects the men he will vote for. There is absolute freedom to vote as he pleases. Every voter has the same ticket and votes it in secrecy. The opportunities of manipulation are reduced by many per cent., especially in the matter of the festive ticket distributor around the polls, who has been by this law utterly abolished. We do not hesitate to declare, on the result of yesterday's work, that the law is a success and must be maintained. Not only maintained, but improved in the few weak places which the test of practice has developed."

The state convention having declared in favor of needed changes in the Florida election law it would be well for members elect of the legislature to procure copies of the Alabama law and see if there may not be valuable features therein that might profitably be adopted into our law. Perhaps the governor in his message will consider and recommend to the legislature such changes as may be advisable under the declaration of the convention.

*Pensacola News, 10 Aug 1894, 2.*

## FALSE CHARGES MADE TO DO DUTY.

The compost Executive Committee of the Jeffersonian, Republican and Populite organizations at Birmingham is famous for inventions. It wished to hatch out an excuse for the Lake View Convention to declare against Cleveland. So in 1892 it solemnly resolved that President Cleveland's telegram to Governor Jones congratulating him on his election was a reason for Jeffersonians to vote for Weaver. President Cleveland over his own signature declared he had not sent such a telegram. Governor Jones declared he had received no such telegram. Nobody ever saw the telegram. Still the Jeffersonians stuck to their invention.

Now the committee sends out an alleged remark of Governor Jones on approving the Sayre law. One Shugart of Jefferson said the remark was made to Hon. S. W. John when John handed the bill to the Governor for approval. Colonel John says no such remark was made to him; that he neither handed the bill to the Governor nor heard the alleged remark nor was he present at the time the bill was approved. Governor Jones in a letter to Colonel John says Colonel John was not present and did not hand him the bill, and that he did not make the alleged remarks to anybody. Hon. A. D. Sayre and Speaker Pettus say they handed the bill to the Governor and were present from that time until he approved it, and that the Governor made no such remarks as Shugart alleged, nor said anything else that could give any foundation for Shugart's statement. Yet the compost committee stick to Shugart's invention and try to palm it off on the public. Their inventions are without number, and their biggest invention was their late circular wherein they declare they believe Kolb was elected.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 11 Aug 1894, 4.*

## State Senator.

A. D. Sayre .....	4,859
E. R. Holt .....	245

Sayre's majority .....	4,614
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*"The Official Count," Montgomery Advertiser, 12 Aug 1894, 7.*

## Committee of the Alabama State Bar Association for 1894-95.

By virtue of the authority vested in the President by the Constitution and by-laws of the Alabama State Bar Association, James E. Webb, Esq., President, has appointed the following committees:

Committee on Jurisprudence and Law Reform—D. P. Bester, Esq., Mobile, chairman; J. R. Dowdell, LaFayette; A. D. Sayre, Montgomery; A. E. Goodhue, Gadsden; Geo. P. Jones, Florence;

*Montgomery Advertiser, 29 Aug 1894, 7.*

The State has been peculiarly fortunate in selection of the new Senators. They have all had service in one house or the other and will not be novices in their positions.

ance to the farmers. A. D. Sayre of Montgomery, who made marked reputation in the house and who gave his name to the new election law, which has worked so satisfactorily; F. L.

*"Political News and Gossip,"*

*Montgomery Advertiser, 19 Oct 1894, 3.*

## THE SENATE.

### First Day.

At 12 o'clock the Senate was called to order by President J. C. Compton, and Rev. Dr. J. W. Rush, pastor of Court Street Methodist Church invoked the divine blessing.

The Senators elect were then sworn in as follows: Messrs David W. Day of Lawrence, Oscar R. Hundley of Madison, J. S. E. Robinson of St. Clair, H. L. McEldery of Talladega, R. S. Nolen of Coosa, F. S. Moody of Tuscaloosa, J. L. Hollis of Fayette, John A. Rogers of Sumter, W. Brewer of Lowndes, P. N. Bruner of Conecuh, W. F. Hogue of Perry, Mims Walker of Marengo, J. Y. Kilpatrick of Wilcox, Hiram Hawkins of Barbour, I. F. Culver of Macon, A. D. Sayre of Montgomery, W. M. Browder of Hale.

*"State Salons in Session," Montgomery Advertiser, 14 Nov 1894, 6.*

### General Assembly Notes.

One of the wisest of the new senators is Hon. A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery. He is the author of the Sayre election law which has served to give his name national prominence. It was but natural that President Peters should have put him at the head of the important senate committee on privileges and elections. He was chairman of a similar committee in the last house. It is stated that Mr. Sayre will offer some amendments to the present election law, intended to cure the slight imperfections that have been found to exist in it. Whatever recommendations Mr. Sayre may make will go a long way toward deciding election methods for Alabama. Senator Sayre promises to follow close in the footsteps of his illustrious uncle, Senator John T. Morgan, as a lawmaker.

*Atlanta Constitution, 25 Nov 1894, 17.*

The following standing committees were announced by the Grand Master: Masonic Jurisprudence—H. C. Tompkins, A. D. Sayre, S. K. McSpadden, B. W. Whitfield.

*"Alabama Masons," Montgomery Advertiser, 5 Dec 1894, 2.*

Hon. A. D. Sayre, who represents this county in the state senate, who is the author of the Sayre election law, a nephew of Senator Morgan and one of the brightest and most popular young democrats in all the state, is also spoken of by the young democracy as Senator Pugh's successor.

*"Over in Alabama," Atlanta Constitution, 14 Jan 1895.*

## MEM WHO MAKE LAWS

Leading Members of the Present Legislature of Alabama.



Senator Sayre.

### Senator A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery.

At the very head of the young men of Alabama is Hon. A. D. Sayre, the senator from Montgomery. Mr. Sayre is the author of the Sayre election law and of Alabama's new contest law. He is a nephew of Senator John T. Morgan and has much of the ability and statesmanlike qualities of his illustrious relative. Mr. Sayre's work in the present legislature has done much to entitle him to the gratitude of the people of Alabama. His election and contest laws are pronounced by both democrats and populists to be material advances in the direction of absolutely fair elections in this state. Everybody agrees that Alabama holds in store some good things for Mr. Sayre.

ROBERT M'DAVID.

*Atlanta Constitution, 17 Feb 1895, 11.*

**THEIR LABORS ARE ENDED.**

**THE SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY EXPIRED LAST NIGHT.**

Resolved, further, That in the Death of Hon. N. H. R. Dawson, the State of Alabama has sustained a loss of one of her best citizens and truest public men.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the Journal and transmitted to the family of the deceased.

F. L. Pettus,  
A. D. Sayre,  
A. T. Goodwyn,  
Committee.

*Montgomery Advertiser*, 19 Feb 1895, 2.

Code Commissioner Martin has selected Messrs. A. D. Sayre and P. C. Massie to assist him in the work of codifying the statutes. No better selections could have been made. They are lawyers of ability and each possesses peculiar fitness for the work. The Commissioner and his assistants will begin work some time in May and will prosecute it industriously to the end. It is estimated that they will be able to complete the work in twelve or fifteen months. The Commissioner au-

"At the Capitol," *Montgomery Advertiser*, 9 April 1895, 7.

Sixth—It is further recommended that combination fixtures for gas and electricity be placed in the auditorium of the Girls High School, and that as soon as practicable the auditorium be furnished with folding movable chairs.

Most respectfully,  
Jno. L. Cobbs,  
A. D. Sayre,  
Committee on buildings, repairs, sanitation, etc.

"The city Council," *Montgomery Advertiser*, 3 July 1895, 6+.

**The Robinson Impeachment**

Montgomery, June 4.—In the Robinson impeachment case today the new demurrers as interposed to the amended information were all overruled. This finally brought the defendant to the issue and pleas of not guilty were filed to all of the charges of the attorney-general.

Hon. A. D. Sayre was formally appointed examiner and the case continued to June 20. The examiner is instructed to have all the testimony taken and ready for the court by the time of trial. It is expected that he will enter upon his duties as examiner at once.

*Tuscaloosa Weekly Times* (AL), 12 June 1895, 4.

**Mr. A. D. Sayre, of Sayre Election Law fame, was among the Montgomery attorneys to visit Prattville this week.**

"Personal," *Prattville Progress* (AL), 10 May 1895, 3.

**THROUGH ALABAMA.**

**The Bar Association in Session—Impressions of the Exposition.**

Montgomery, July 10.—(Special.)—The Alabama State Bar Association met at 10 o'clock today in the senate chamber at the capitol. Many lawyers from over the state are here, and the session promises to be one of great interest.

The following are among the distinguished legal lights in attendance: Hon. James E. J. M. White, Horace Stringfellow, A. D. Sayre, John D. Roquemore, H. D. Clayton, W. C. Swanson, S. H. Dent, Jr., Hon. J.

*Atlanta Constitution*, 11 July 1895, 2.



## STATE B. R. ASSOCIATION.

### ANNUAL MEETING YESTERDAY IN THE SENATE CHAMBER.

The report of the Committee on Jurisprudence and Law Reform of which Hon. D. P. Bestor of Mobile is chairman, in his absence was read by Hon. A. D. Sayre.

*Montgomery Advertiser*, 11 July 1895, 7.

The delegates from the different districts at once got together and selected the following campaign committee:

First district—Robert Poole, Marengo; A. T. Clarke, Mobile.

Second—John P. Hubbard, of Pike, and A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery.

“Sine Die: The Silver Democrats have gone Home,” *The Birmingham News*, 11 Sep 1895, 7.

The Local Board of the Interstate Building and Loan Association of Columbus, Ga., was reorganized this week by their special agent, B. W. Torrance. The following officers and directors were elected: A. L. Clapp, President; Christian Armstrong, Vice-President; T. H. Moore, Secretary and Treasurer; A. D. Sayre, Attorney; Appraisers, T. H. Moore, Christian Armstrong and A. L. Clapp.

*Montgomery Advertiser*, 12 Sep 1895, 7.

### MONTGOMERY.

#### Judge Arrington to Resign.

Montgomery, Ala., Oct. 22.—(Special.)—Judge T. M. Arrington, of the city court, has called a meeting of the local bar for Thursday morning. It is whispered that it is the judge's purpose to resign. His continued ill-health prompts his anticipated action in the matter. Judge Arrington is one of the oldest, best and most honorable of the state's judiciary. Messrs. John G. Winter, A. D. Sayre, E. P. Morrisette and Scott Sayre are among the local attorneys of note most prominently mentioned for Judge Arrington's successor.

*Times-Picayune*, 23 Oct 1895, 6.

### WANTS SEVERAL DEBATES.

Congressman Bankhead Writes to Congressman Clarke on the Subject.

The following explains itself;

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 11.

Hon. R. H. Clarke, Mobile, Ala:  
My Dear Sir: Having accepted the invitation extended by your friends to discuss with you the question of the free coinage of silver in Montgomery, at a time to be agreed upon, and knowing that you would not object to a further discussion of the subject, I respectfully invite you to join me in a number of debates, at least one in each Congressional district of the State, and as many more as may suit your convenience and inclination. If you accept this invitation, as I feel sure you will, I refer you to my friend, Hon. A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, who will act for me in arranging the debates and fixing dates and places for meeting. Respectfully,

J. H. Bankhead.

*Birmingham News*, 12 Sep 1895, 2.

### ALABAMA BAR ASSOCIATION.

The Advertiser is in receipt of the proceedings of the eighteenth annual meeting of the Alabama State Bar Association, held in this city July 10 and 11, 1895. It is an exceedingly interesting publication, containing as it does not only the formal papers that were read, but the discussions that arose over various propositions. The address by Mr. Jas. E. Webb, giving a summary of important legislation during the preceding year, can but prove valuable to the practitioner. The annual address by Col. Samuel M. Meek, of Mississippi, on “the power and influence of the bar” is a gem of pure thought, and close logic. The paper by Mr. A. D. Sayre from the “Committee on Jurisprudence and Law Reform,” by Mr. John London on “Exemptions from Execution,” by Mr. W. L. Chambers on “Our International Relations,” by Mr. J. B. Knox from “Committee on Legal Education and Admission to the Bar,” by the late Col. D. S. Troy from Committee on Legislation, are all valuable documents and well worthy of preservation in enduring form.

*Montgomery Advertiser*, 30 Oct 1895, 4.

Judge Thomas M. Arrington has resigned as judge of the city court of Montgomery on account of want of health. Judge Wm. S. Thorington will succeed to the place, but is to resign if Judge A. recovers his health by Feb. 1, and is to resign anyhow at that time so that the place may be filled by some one who aspires to it. We would be glad to see Judge Arrington in health again; in case he fails in this, we earnestly desire that Hon. A. D. Sayre may get the place. "Dick" Sayre is an able lawyer, an honorable man, and has that admirable equipoise and urbanity which coupled with his ability bespeak for him the highest judicial honors. In all Alabama there is not a man of clearer head and more attractive manners than Anthony Dickson Sayre.

*Citizen-Examiner* (Hayneville, AL), 31 Oct 1895, 2.

#### AT THE CAPITOL.

The Supreme Court on yesterday on agreement of counsel, ordered the testimony in the Robinson impeachment case to be taken for the defense by Hon. A. D. Sayre, the commissioner who has taken the State's testimony, and the case was continued until the 20th of December.

*Montgomery Advertiser*, 20 Nov 1895, 8.

In this issue The Advertiser reproduces a very fine article from Werner's Magazine, one of the leading musical journals, on "Voice Production." The authoress is Mrs. A. D. Sayre of this city, and it does credit to this brilliant and talented lady.

"Little Bits of Local News," *Montgomery Advertiser*, 1 Dec 1895, 5.

#### AT THE CAPITAL.

Death of Mrs. Baxter. Evidence Being Taken in the Robinson Case.

Special to the Birmingham News:

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 6.—Mrs. Mammie Roemer Baxter died at Highland Park yesterday. She was the wife of John H. Baxter and had only been married a few months.

Hon. A. D. Sayre, Commissioner of the Supreme Court, to take testimony in the Robinson impeachment case, has gone to Opelika to prosecute his duties in the premises. The Supreme Court will take up the case in about two weeks.

*Birmingham News*, 6 Dec 1895, 8.

#### The Robinson Impeachment.

Opelika Post.

The impeachment proceedings against Judge W. C. Robinson came up to-day in the Supreme Court, at Montgomery. The testimony being all in, the case will doubtless be submitted to-day for final judgment.

The taking of the defendant's testimony consumed the week from Dec. 2nd to 7th inclusive, during which time about 85 witnesses were examined; Judge Robinson himself being the last. The examination was conducted before Hon. A. D. Sayre, the defendant being represented by Messrs. A. and R. R. Barnes and the State by Attorney General Flitts, and Albert E. Barnett, Esq. The decision of the Court will be awaited with great interest by all the people of our county.

*Eufaula Daily Times* (AL), 25 Dec 1895, 2.

In the City Court in Equity yesterday Hon. A. D. Sayre, as special judge, rendered a decree in the suit of Tatum vs. Tatum, ordering a reference by the Register.

Montgomery Advertiser, 19 Jan 1896, 9.

**TATUM CASE DECIDED.**

**An Order Dismissing Mr. Heywood Tatum as Trustee for Several of the Other Heirs of the Late Mr. Berry Tatum, Sr.**

In the City Court in equity yesterday, Hon. A. D. Sayre, as special judge, issued an order dismissing the trustee in the cause of Tatum vs Tatum, and required Mr. Heywood Tatum to pay into the court \$4,877.30; this order being complied with, the case is now settled.

Montgomery Advertiser, 21 Jan 1896, 7.

**IT IS JUDGE JOHN G. WINTER.**

**THE GOVERNOR MADE THE APPOINTMENT LATE YESTERDAY.**

**It Gives Great and General Satisfaction—Judge Thorington's Resignation of the Temporary Office Went Into Effect Yesterday—Story of the Contest.**

At last the agony is over. Governor Oates has appointed Hon. John Gindrat Winter, Judge of the City Court of Montgomery, and now the public relaxes the tension under which it has labored for some weeks.

But the other aspirants, Hons. A. D. Sayre, T. Scott Sayre and E. P. Morissette, also had their friends, who were active in the interests of these excellent lawyers and gentlemen, and therefore the four cornered contest for the place brought a tremendous pressure upon the Governor.

Montgomery Advertiser, 2 Feb 1896, 9.

**WITHOUT ARGUMENT.**

**References to His Competitor  
by Captain Johnston.**

**AT THE THEATRE LAST NIGHT.**

**Anecdotes and a Discourse of Demurrers and Exceptions to Mr. Clarke's Points on Him—Big Crowd Including Many Clarke Men—Applause Loud But Thin.**

This morning the men who listened to Captain Johnston's speech at the Theatre last night will probably wake up feeling as though they had been chewing wind. There was certainly no meat in the speech, and even the Captain's supporters must have experienced an empty sensation like one feels after drinking soda water that is nearly all foam—light and effervescent—when they left the old play house last night.

Col. John D. Roquemore introduced the speaker, and on the stage sat Messrs. A. M. Spong, Lonny Davis, J. W. A. Sanford, J. W. A. Sanford, Jr., John M. Wyly, Tenant Lomax, J. R. Warren, Samuel T. Surratt, J. Craig Smith, Colonel J. G. Gilchrist, R. F. Ligon, Jr., C. A. Allen, Auditor John Purifoy, Judge W. S. Thorington, A. D. Sayre, J. W. Jones, Walton W. Hill, A. T. Drey-spring, Alex Rice, Jr., Jack Smith, Dr. Glenn Andrews, Joseph Hodgson of Birmingham, and three or four others whom the reporter did not recognize from the audience.

Montgomery Advertiser, 21 Feb 1896, 1.

**GOVERNING THE PRIMARIES.**

**FULL TEXT OF THE SAYRE RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE.**

A Synopsis Was Given in The Advertiser Sunday—All the Candidates to be Voted for Direct by the Electors.

The following is the full text of the resolutions offered by Hon. A. D. Sayre and unanimously adopted by the county committee,

*Montgomery Advertiser, 17 Mar 1896, 7.*

**THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEET**

**THE PETITION OF THE CLARKE CLUB FOR TWO BOXES DENIED.**

Mr. Sayre Made the Speech of the Occasion and Mr. Rives Offered the Resolution Which Went Through Without a Hitch—The Proceedings.

In pursuance with the call of the chairman a meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of Montgomery County met in the City Court room at the Court House yesterday at noon. There were present for themselves and with proxies: Messrs. Baber, H. H. Matthews, Frank Browder, W. D. Westcott, A. D. Sayre, W. H. Rives, M. S. Gilmer and T. C. Raoul.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 11 Apr 1896, 2.*

Mr. A. D. Sayre explained to the convention the complaint of Mr. Stewart that if the vote in beat 1 had been entirely legal he would have received a majority of the beat.

*"Democracy in Session!" Montgomery Advertiser, 16 April 1896, 7.*

**ROANOKE COLLEGE.**

**An Unusually Attractive Programme For The Coming Commencement.**

Salem, Va., April 25.—The speakers for the forty-third commencement of Roanoke College have been secured, and the programme is an unusually attractive one. On Sunday, June 7, Rev. Prof. S. A. Repass, D. D., class of '66, Allentown, Pa., will preach the baccalaureate sermon, and Rev. Prof. Carl E. Grammer, D. D., Alexandria, Va., will give the annual address before the Young Men's Christian Association of the college. On Tuesday morning addresses will be delivered before the General Association of Roanoke Students by Hon. Walter M. Denny, M. C., class of '72, of Mississippi; Rev. Luther L. Smith, A. M., class of '77, Strasburg, Va.; Hon. A. D. Sayre, A. M., class of '78, Montgomery, Ala., and Prof. G.

*Nashville Banner, 25 April 1896, 2.*

A MONTGOMERY special says: The supreme court today rendered a verdict in the case involving the impeachment proceedings of Probate Judge Robinson, of Lee county. The decision of the court dismisses the proceedings and renders a verdict of not guilty for Judge Robinson.

About a year ago Gov. Oates, on information from some of the best men in Lee county, caused the proceedings to be instituted, the charges being habitual drunkenness and neglect of duty. The court appointed a commissioner, Hon. A. D. Sayre, to take the evidence, and after weighing it rendered a verdict for the defendant as stated.

*West Alabamian (Carrollton, AL), 6 May 1896, 1.*

The Kennedy-Wood case was before Justice Screws in Montgomery on Thursday on a hearing for bail. Pettus and Pitts and A. D. Sayre represented R. H. Kennedy while Solicitor Lomax appeared for the state. Justice Screws denied the appeal on the ground that such a thing had never been done in a case of murder before a preliminary trial was had. A motion was made and granted setting the case for trial on the 18th inst.

*Selma Times*, 9 May 1896, 2.

## TRIAL OF KENNEDY

For Killing Percy Wood in Montgomery  
Last Month.

### EMINENT COUNSEL IN THE CASE

The Story of the Tragedy—Examination of Witnesses Yesterday.  
Mrs. Kennedy Not in Court.

Montgomery, Ala., May 18.—(Special.)—The preliminary trial of the celebrated Kennedy-Wood shooting affair was commenced here today before Justice B. H. Screws, and as some sixty witnesses are to be examined, the case will probably last through the week.

The facts are still fresh in the minds of the public. Mardis L. Wood, the most prominent young politician in Alabama, a member at large of the democratic state executive committee and nominee of the democrats of his district last year for congress, was here to attend the state convention. He came here from New Orleans, where he holds a fat government position. A few hours after he reached here his brother, Percy Wood, a young attorney, arrived from Selma. Little was seen of either of them on the streets or in the hotel lobbies the evening after their arrival on the 20th of last month. The 21st was convention day.

About 5:30 that morning the two Woods went to the depot. It is understood that Mardis expected to return to New Orleans. While the brothers were standing together in the depot Robert Kennedy, the sheriff of Dallas county, the home of the Woods, stepped on the depot platform and approaching within twenty-five feet of them fired on them with a shotgun loaded with buckshot. He then deliberately reloaded his gun and fired again. Percy Wood fell mortally wounded and died a few hours afterward. Mardis Wood ran for cover and reaching a convenient screen drew his pistol and kept up a spirited cross firing with Kennedy. Finally Kennedy ceased firing and surrendered to an officer. Mardis Wood was found to have been seriously wounded and is even yet too ill to appear and testify at the trial.

The trouble grew out of the alleged intimacy of Mardis Wood with Kennedy's wife. The men had been warm personal and political friends for years. The bond of friendship extended to Kennedy's wife and gossips have for some months associated Mr. Wood's and Mrs. Kennedy's names in an unpleasant way. Wood was appointed some months ago to a government position in New Orleans. Shortly afterward Mrs. Kennedy went to that city to enter a sanitarium. More talk was indulged in. Kennedy and his wife separated and it was stated that Kennedy was gunning for Wood. This was probably two months before the tragedy and this report was followed by another to the effect that the trouble had in some way been appeased. The next chapter was the tragedy at the depot here on the morning of April 21st.

#### The Trial.

When Justice Screws called the court to order at 10:30 o'clock this morning Solicitor Lamar, Hons. Joseph and Pat White were present to prosecute the case and General E. W. Pettus, Hons. F. L. Pettus, Alex Pitts and Frank Pitts, all of Selma, and Hons. A. A. Wiley and A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, appeared for the defense.

The solicitor announced the fact that Mardis Wood, Dr. H. T. Inge, Henry Cunningham and other witnesses for the prosecution were absent, and in consequence asked a continuance of ten days.

The proposition was debated by the attorneys for awhile, but a further continuance was refused by the justice presiding.

After the witnesses had been sworn General Pettus arose and stated that he desired to introduce two pleas for the defendant; first, that he was not guilty generally, and second, that he was insane because of great emotion at the time the act was committed.

Colonel White then insisted on continuance, claiming that the state had no reason to apprehend that such lines of defense would be urged and that time should be given the state to obtain evidence to combat the unexpected line of defense.

The court also refused to allow this plea for a continuance.

*Atlanta Constitution*, 19 May 1896, 3.

# KENNEDY ACQUITTED.

Discharged by Justice Screws  
Unconditionally.

THE VERDICT LOUDLY APPLAUDED

Sheriff Robert H. Kennedy of Dallas  
County Returned to Selma Last  
Night—Closing Scenes of the Last  
Day of the Big Trial.

Sheriff Robert H. Kennedy of Dallas  
county is again a free man.

Yesterday at half past one o'clock his preliminary trial for the killing of Mr. Percy Wood on the day of the Democratic convention in Montgomery, April 21st, ended amid great applause. Justice Benjamin H. Screws, the presiding magistrate, released him unconditionally.

Mr. Kennedy accompanied by his brother and about forty intimate Selma friends, who have stood by his side throughout the trial, lending their full sympathy and support, left on the 9:30 p. m. train for Selma, and today the Dallas Sheriff will resume the duties of his office.

It has been a great legal battle; Solicitor Lomax and Captain J. M. White pitted against Messrs Pettus and Pettus, Pitts and Pitts, of Selma, Captain A. A. Wiley and Hon. A. D. Sayre of Montgomery. These attorneys represent great legal talent, and aside from their mental weight they were the heaviest aggregation of attorneys that have been associated in one case here in some years. General Pettus, Hon. Frank Pettus, the Messrs Pitts and Hon. A. A. Wiley all tip the beam at 200 pounds each. Captain J. M. White is no pigmy, while solicitor Lomax and Hon. A. D. Sayre, though not so heavy in avordupois were distinctly in their element otherwise.

Yesterday was naturally the most interesting day of the trial because of the finale.

## Argument in Defense.

General Pettus in opening said that he was not only the advocate of the prisoner, but was his personal friend. He then described the manner of man Mr. Kennedy is, a man whose high character has been testified to by a number of prominent citizens of unquestioned repute. They all knew him to be an honorable, peaceable, quiet man of gentle nature and good habits. "That's the sort of man you have here on trial for murder."

Speaking of the shooting the distinguished counsel argued that all of the State's witnesses except one testified that after the first shot Kennedy scarcely moved at all—none of them saw him before the first shot, and that during the interval between the two shots, Percy Wood never moved at all. "They all agree on this point; now is it possible for a man to stand perfectly still after a gun has been fired right behind him and he remain there rigid several seconds? It is not human nature. All that testimony is confused and cloudy."

General Pettus spoke of the cause next, and with great feeling drew the "infamy which Mardis Wood was guilty of in coming into the defendant's house and destroying the home, seducing the wife! and Mardis was his best, truest and dearest friend! an intimate friend of years standing! Think of the terrible awakening from Kennedy's dream—his dreams of security in his friend's friendship and his wife's love." He summed up all the testimony to show that an illicit relationship did exist between Wood and Mrs. Kennedy.

"Man's allotment of three score years and ten is not enough time to cool him after having such disgrace heaped upon him." Here General Pettus referred to a famous charge of Judge Lumpkin and a still older decision of Judge Adair. "We have seven witnesses here, men who were intimately associated with him, and they tell you that the defendant was insane." From the evidence he drew a picture of the changed man, and asserted that such a man of strong will, fine character and proud disposition could not be sane, and yet weep bitterly day after day for forty days and act as Kennedy acted—"his mind was unbalanced."

General Pettus at this point appeared to be overcome by the heat and rested for a few moments—he had been unwell the night before, but with the determination characteristic of him he continued, sitting while he spoke, and elaborating upon the plea of insanity. "No mortal man can believe from the circumstances I have noted, that the defendant was sane."

"The Solicitor ought not to have told your Honor that there must be a lesion of the brain before a man can be held unaccountable. The decision he read from in the Boswell case of this particular subject has been expressly overruled, and by the same authority he read from. The brain itself need not be diseased before a man becomes insane. From year to year this law has been changing; at one time this lesion of the brain was the firm established law of the country, but it is not now." In support of his argument, General Pettus read authorities in several cases. "The mind must be diseased, yes; and what is the mind? No doctor has become wise enough to tell us! A person may know what is right and what is wrong and yet because of being so far under the duress of a diseased mind, he is not able to choose between right and wrong! This is the law!"

Turning to the Boswell case, from which Solicitor Lomax read Thursday, General Pettus again asserted that the head notes had been overruled on the point of "a lesion of the brain." The Solicitor interposed here that he had neglected to state that in his speech.

The fourth head note of Boswell's case in 63rd Ala., laid down the rule, which had long prevailed, that the test of responsibility was whether or not the defendant could discriminate right from wrong; if he could, he was responsible for his acts; if not, he was not responsible. Parson's case, in 87 Ala., overrules the doctrine of the fourth head note of Boswell's case, in so far as it is declared therein that if the defendant could discriminate right from wrong he was liable. The Parson's case still asserts the doctrine that if the defendant cannot discriminate right from wrong, he is not responsible; but it goes further and lays down a new doctrine that, even though the defendant knows right from wrong, yet if he is by reason of such mental disease deprived of the power to choose between right and wrong, he is not criminally responsible. If a defendant with power to know right from wrong is so dominated by disease of the mind that he cannot choose to do that which he knows to be right, but is on the contrary driven by such disease to do that which he knows to be wrong, he

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Montgomery Advertiser,  
23 May 1896, 1.

**THE M., H. AND C. R. R.**

**Call for a Meeting on Tuesday Night  
the 9th Inst.**

The undersigned agree to attend, on Tuesday evening next, at 8:30 o'clock, at the rooms of the Commercial and Industrial Association, for the purpose of having a meeting of the business men of Montgomery, to discuss and devise the best means of aiding the speedy building of the Montgomery, Hayneville and Camden Railroad.

riage Works Co., W. S. Doran, James O'Brien, W. D. Westcott, A. D. Sayre, A. A. Walker, R. F. Ligon, Jr., Robert

*Montgomery Advertiser, 7 June 1896, 7.*

**CAUGHT THE PEOPLE**

**Governor Atkinson Had a Great Crowd  
in Montgomery.**

**SPEECH WAS A VOTE MAKER**

**Financial Question Handled in a  
Forcible Manner.**

**SCORES GOODWYN MOST UNMERCIFULLY**

**Tells the Gold Men Plain Truths in  
Pleasant Words—Shown Many  
Attentions.**

Montgomery, Ala., July 29.—(Special.)—Governor Atkinson, of Georgia, was given a rousing reception here tonight, and in turn treated the large audience to a splendid democratic speech of almost two hours.

Hon. A. D. Sayre, chairman of the county executive committee, presided over the meeting and introduced the governor to the audience.

*Atlanta Constitution, 30 July 1896, 2.*

Every voter in Montgomery County should "read, mark and inwardly digest" the sound utterances to be found in the circular letter of Chairman A. D. Sayre, of the Democratic County Committee. Every Democrat should vote the straight State ticket from Governor to Constable.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 1 Aug 1896, 6.*

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE CON-  
GRESSIONAL EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE.**

Pursuant to the call of the chairman of the Congressional Executive Committee of the second Congressional District the following members met in Greenville on the 18th inst:

A Steinhart	of	Butler.
F M Dean	of	Conecuh.
C R Bricken	of	Crenshaw.
J W Williams	of	Covington.
C S Lee	of	Escambia.
R H Parks	of	Pike.
M E Curtis	of	Wilcox.

Hon. A D Sayre was elected as a member of said committee to fill the vacancy from Montgomery county, F B Lloyd the former member having moved to Butler.

*Greenville Advocate (Al), 12 Aug 1896, 1.*

## CRUELLY WHIPPED AN ORPHAN.

MR. HENRY BEDSOLE OF LAPINE  
WAS CONVICTED.

He Used a Plow Line Doubled into  
Four Lashes on a Four-year-old  
Ward—The Child of His Late  
Uncle, Loyd Bedsole—Hung Up  
the Little Fellow by His Wrists—  
Trial in the City Court Yesterday

On account of the prominence of the defendant who comes of a good family, and is a well-to-do young farmer, the trial attracted interest and the LaPine section of the county was largely represented in the crowd which was present when the case was called about 3 o'clock. Several of Mr. Bedsole's relatives sat with him; he was represented by Hon. A. D. Sayre.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 15 Aug 1896, 2.*

## THE POPOCRATIC PRIMARIES.

ANYBODY VOTED, WHO WANTED  
TO, WITHOUT QUESTION.

The Primaries Were Quiet and De-  
void of Interest—The Vote Was  
Small and Shows the Apathy of  
the Popocratic Party.

### Beat 3—City.

In Beat Three the polls were opened  
at Abraham Stables. The following  
delegates were elected:

E. A. Graham, A. D. Sayre, J. H.  
Higgins, J. H. Naftel, Dr. M. L. Wood,  
Thos. H. Clanton, W. R. Hale, W. A.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 23 Aug 1896, 7.*

## BOLTERS ROUNDLY DENOUNCED.

Montgomery County Democrats Show  
a Strong Hand.

Montgomery, Ala., August 29.—(Special.)—  
The Montgomery county convention today,  
besides indorsing the course of Congress-  
man Stallings and instructing its delegation  
to the congressional convention at Troy to  
vote for his renomination, passed two  
notable resolutions, one purging the demo-  
cratic party of this county of such in-  
dividuals and newspapers as decline to sup-  
port the party's nominees and the other  
roasting Bourke Cockran unmercifully.

These resolutions, introduced by Hon. A.  
D. Sayre, were unanimously adopted by a  
rising vote:

*Atlanta Constitution, 30 Aug 1896, 12.*

## GEN. C. M. SHELLEY

Will Lead Democrats to a Glorious Vic-  
tory in November Next.

Birmingham News.

John B. Knox, Chairman of the  
Democratic State executive com-  
mittee, has appointed the following  
State Democratic campaign com-  
mittee in charge of the party af-  
fairs from now until November:

State at large—Chas. M. Shelley.

First district—Syd Lyons.

Second district—A. D. Sayre.

*Our Mountain Home (Talladega, AL), 2  
Sep 1896, 1.*



### KENNEDY'S TRIAL.

**It Begins at Montgomery—An Army of Witnesses.**

Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 3.—(Special.) The trial of Sheriff Kennedy, of Dallas County, charged with the murder of Percy Wood, of the same county, at the depot in this city on April 21, was called this morning in the City Court, and both sides answered "Ready."

The morning was consumed in the selection of a jury, and in the afternoon several witnesses were examined. None of the witnesses testified to anything that was not developed in the preliminary trial several weeks ago. An army of witnesses are to be examined, and it is probable that the trial of the case will require a week.

Pettus & Pettus and Pitts & Pitts, of Selma, and A. D. Sayre and A. A. Wiley, of Montgomery, are the defendant's counsel, and Farnham & Crum, of Montgomery, are assisting Solicitor Lomax.

*Tennessean* (Nashville), 4 Sep 1896, 8.

### NO CERTIFICATES NECESSARY.

Editor Advertiser:

I duly registered as a voter prior to the August election and received from the registrar of the beat in which I live, a certificate in due form. My certificate was left in a building which has since been destroyed by fire and my certificate went up in smoke. Can I vote without providing my certificate.

A Democrat.

Yes, you can vote without producing your certificate. The law requiring them to be produced and surrendered when you vote was repealed by the last General Assembly, and the bill so amending the law was introduced by Hon. A. D. Sayre, who is the Chairman of the Popocratic Executive Committee of Montgomery County.

*Montgomery Advertiser*, 7 Oct 1896, 4.

## THE LAST CHAPTER CLOSED

Judge Winter Discharged R.  
H. Kennedy Yesterday  
Evening.

The Recent Defendant In a  
Recent Remarkable Trial

Was Saved the Annoyance of  
Having to go

TO THE INSANE HOSPITAL.

Or Stand a Trial for Lunacy—He  
Went Home Last Night.

Montgomery Advertiser.

Mr. Robert H. Kennedy is now a free man. Last night he was released from custody and at half past nine o'clock left for his home in Selma. Today he will begin life over again, and as far as it is in the power of human mind, will let the dead past bury its dead.

Upon leaving the jail, the quiet, reserved man whose demeanor has excited the respect of all who have met him here, warmly thanked Sheriff Parks, Mr. Powell and the other officers for courtesies shown him. They all expressed hearty good wishes. A party accompanied him to the Selma train and said good bye to him as he got aboard in company with two of his attorneys, Gen. Pettus and Hon. Frank Pettus who with his other lawyers Messrs. Pitts and Pitts, Hon. A. A. Wiley and Hon. A. D. Sayre did him valiant service.

*Selma Times*, 11 Sep 1896, 2.

### CLERKS AND MARKERS.

The law gives each opposing party the absolute right to have clerks and markers at the polls. This law is an amendment to the Sayre election law, and the bill amending the same was introduced in the last Senate and became a law through the efforts of Hon. A. D. Sayre, the Chairman of the Bryan Executive Committee of this county. The law will be strictly enforced and a refusal on the part of the Inspectors to do as it directs will bring down upon them the full penalty for such refusal.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 10 Oct 1896, 4.*

### POPOCRATIC CLUB MEETING.

**Forty-seven out of an Alleged "1,300" Membership Were Present at the Court House Last Night**

An especially urgent call was issued to the "1,300" members of the Bryan and Sewall Club to be present at the meeting at the Court House last night. At 8 o'clock there was a corporal's guard gathered in the City Court room and a few more dropped in, and when the meeting adjourned 47, all told, had made an appearance in the meeting.

The usual flow of Popocratic talk was indulged in by the chairman, Mr. Lomax, Colonel Sanford, Mr. Lonny Davis and others, among whom was Captain Ed. Graham, who stated that he was present in order to let his friends know that he stood in this campaign for Bryan and Sewall.

The most important matter that came up was in the form of a call for resolutions expressing the sense of the club that those men who refused to support the platform and candidates of the Chicago Convention should not be allowed to participate in any primaries of the Democratic party in the future. Hon. A. D. Sayre was asked to draft a resolution at once, but he advised that it was a most serious matter and deserved consideration, lest harm be the result. A committee was then appointed, composed of Mr. Sayre, Dr. J. J. Hunter and Mr. W. I. R. Thompson, who will draft the resolutions and report them at the next meeting.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 16 Oct 1896, 7.*

### MR. SAYRE'S SPEECH.

#### An Important Declaration About Registration Certificates.

The Advertiser yesterday morning gave some extracts from the speech of Mr. A. D. Sayre, chairman of the Bryan Committee of this county to a meeting in beat one. The speech was delivered to the negroes with a view to making a lodgment on them. The whole tone and tenor of his remarks, shows that he was letting the 13 white hearers alone. It was the negro he was after, although just a week before he had been distressed at the fear of "negro domination," because he and a few others were not allowed to name every manager for the election on the 3rd of November.

Here is an extract from his speech which has special importance and which should have wide circulation.

"But there is another thing that I want to say to you people. I am not going to detain you long. Some of you perhaps have been told that you can't vote at the election on the 3rd day of November unless you have got a registration ticket in your pocket. (cries of "We done been told dat.") Now, I have been in the Legislature for six years and have had a hand in the making of all these laws, and I give you my word as a lawyer and a legislator, that if any man of you has his name on the Registration list, and I have a copy of it in my pocket and if you would like to hear it I would be glad to read it to you that every man of you might know—I give you my word if your name is on that list you can go to the polls and express your choice as freemen without respect to some little fellow in Montgomery that has got your certificate in his pocket. (Cries of Amen! Dat's right.) These people are asking for your votes and we are doing the same thing, and if you think we are not better friends to you than they are, then vote for them.

This settles the question of registration certificates and the men who have been going around saying that they should be produced on election day will have to change their tactics.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 11 Oct 1896, 5.*

**READY FOR THE LEGISLATURE.—**  
Under the laws of the state, the Governor is required to have the laws codified every ten years, and for this purpose is authorized to appoint a codifier, whose duty it is to take the last code and all the acts passed by the Legislature since its adoption and codify them, striking out repealed sections of the old code, putting in amendments to sections where they belong and bringing in, in proper order, new sections which may have been adopted. The last code was issued in 1886, and shortly after the adjournment of the last session of the Legislature, Gov. Oates appointed ex-Attorney-General W. L. Martin to codify the laws and prepare the copy for the code of 1897, to be presented at the coming session of the Legislature. In this work, Hon. W. L. Martin has been assisted by Hon. A. D. Sayre and Mr. P. C. Massie, of this city, who, with Mr. Martin, have been busily engaged upon it for several months past. It is now practically completed and in the hands of the Governor, awaiting transmission to the General Assembly which convenes on the 10th of November.

*Nashville Banner, 20 Oct 1896, 5.*

**A DEMOCRATIC RALLY.**  
A grand rally last night in Montgomery of the supporters of the regular democratic ticket and pronounced a great success, in every respect, by some of our citizens who were present, brings forth the following comment by the Advertiser of this morning:  
Hon. A. D. Sayre, the chairman of the County Executive Committee called the meeting to order and introduced Gen. J. W. A. Sanford, a candidate for elector on the Bryan ticket, who

*Troy Messenger (AL), 4 Nov 1896, 2.*

## **THE POPULISTS.**

### **The Montgomery County Committee Meets Here Today.**

The Populist Executive Committee of Montgomery County will meet here today at the call of Chairman Bibb. The meeting, it is presumed, is for the purpose of arranging for the election and making suggestions of names to inspectors of those they desire to represent the Populist party as markers and clerks in the election next Monday.

It is rumored that a very important and significant proposition will be made to the Bryanite committee, Hon. A. D. Sayre, chairman. In view of the fact that under the present conditions the Populists regard the election of Mr. Clark, the Sound Money candidate, as almost assured, they are, it is said, going to propose to the Bryan committee, in the interest of free silver that the two parties in the district unite on Mr. Fonville, and in that way bring about the defeat of Mr. Clark. They wish the Bryan committee of this county to aid them in a movement to have Mr. Stallings withdrawn.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 27 Oct 1896, 8.*

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY'S VOTE.

BEATS 2, 6, AND 8 AND BOX 2 OF  
BEAT 4 NOT COUNTED.

On the Face of the Returns Mr. Stallings Has a Majority of the County—Mr. Clark Has Good Grounds for a Contest.

Judge Gaston, Sheriff Parks and Clerk David Johnston of the Circuit Court, constituting the Montgomery County Returning Board, met at the court house yesterday and held the official count of the votes polled in the election last Tuesday.

Box 2 of beat 4, and beats 2, 6 and 8 were thrown out because of irregularities. This left Mr. Stallings, candidate for re-election to Congress on the Bryan ticket, a majority of 1,013 votes in the county.

Mr. A. D. Sayre represented Mr. Stallings, and Mr. George Marks looked after the interests of Mr. Clark before the board, whose powers, it may be stated in advance, are ministerial rather than judicial, or at least this is the way the Board itself decided. And in view of such a decision the members could only pass upon the official returns as they found them signed and delivered by the election managers: they did not go into the box proceedings nor look behind the doings of the managers.

*Montgomery Advertiser, 8 Nov 1896, 7.*

Later—The Democratic Senator's caucussed at 1 o'clock today and nominated A. D. Sayre for President, and John F. Proctor, of Scottsboro, for Secretary over W. L. Clay.

"Convened," *Birmingham News*, 10 Nov 1896, 7.

## MEMBERS ARRIVING

Alabama Legislators Are Filling the  
State Capital Now.

## PETTUS WON'T PRESIDE AGAIN

Presidency of State Senate Will Probably Go to A. D. Sayre.

## CANDIDATES FOR SPEAKER ARE AT WORK

United States Senatorship Race Is Attracting the Attention Off All Aspirants at Work.

Montgomery, Ala., November 9.—(Special.) On the eve of the convention of the general assembly the interest is intense. Practically all the members are here tonight and the lobbies are fairly alive.

The sensation of the day has been the announcement by President Pettus that he will not stand for re-election as presiding officer of the senate, and the further announcement that Hon. A. D. Sayre, senator from Montgomery, will be a candidate for the presidency. Mr. Sayre's friends promptly organized a strong lobby and it is claimed at midnight that he will win. He is an ardent supporter of free silver, a nephew of Senator Morgan, a lawyer of the very highest accomplishments and exceedingly popular personally. He has served Montgomery county for the past four years, at first as the representative and afterwards in the senate, and his election would gratify the democrats here immensely.

*Atlanta Constitution, 10 Nov 1896, 3.*

## ALABAMA WANTS A SENATOR.

Friends of Candidates Working Like Beavers.

Montgomery, Ala. Nov., 10.—Both houses of the legislature were called to order at noon to-day. Nothing was done in either house except to swear in the members. The organization will be completed tomorrow by the election of officers selected by caucus. The senate caucus selected Hon. A. D. Sayre, for president. Voting for senator will not begin until the 24th, the second Tuesday after the organization. Senator Pugh, Gov. Oates, Gen. Pettus and Hon. John H. Bankhead are the announced candidates for the senate. All four have opened headquarters and their friends are working like beavers. It would be a wise man who could predict the outcome for the race. Two weeks hence may put a different phase on the question from what the surface now shows.

*The Times* (Shreveport, LA), 11 Nov 1896, 4.

## THE PRESIDING OFFICERS.

Hon. A. D. Sayre, of Montgomery, was yesterday chosen President of the State Senate, and Hon. N. N. Clements, of Tuscaloosa, was last night by the Democratic caucus nominated for Speaker of the House of Representatives and was this morning duly elected. Both branches of the General Assembly have secured very able presiding officers.

President Sayre is one of the rising young politicians of Alabama. He is but 28 years old. He is a nephew of Senator Morgan. He entered politics in 1890 as one of the Representatives of Montgomery county in the Legislature and has filled a large space in the public eye ever since. He is the author of the now celebrated Sayre election Law. His knowledge of Parliamentary Law and great quickness in arriving at decisions indicate that he will win additional reputation as President of the Senate.

*Birmingham News*, 11 Nov 1896, 4.

[Papers as far north as *The Saint Paul Globe* and as far east as *Baltimore Sun* covered Sayre's election.]

And A. D. Sayre is President of the senate. And then if Governor Johnston is elected Senator, as is proposed by some, Mr. Sayre becomes Governor and a good one he would make. There are no better men than Mr. Sayre and no brighter in this state. And Governor Sayre sounds good. We would be willing to take him.

*Weekly Times & News* (Eufaula, AL), 19 Nov 1896, 2.

## GOV. JOHNSTON

Alabama's New Executive Assumes the Reins.

Imposing Military Ceremony Attending the Inauguration.

Then followed the carriages, the first containing Gov. Johnston and ex-Gov. Oates. Second, Mmes. Oates and Johnston. Third, Hon. A. D. Sayre, President of the Senate; Col. N. N. Clements, Speaker of the House; secretary of the Senate Proctor,

*The Times-Democrat* (New Orleans, LA), 2 Dec 1896, 1.

## STATE BAR ASSOCIATION.

The Committees Appointed for 1896-97.

On Legislation—J. E. Webb, Chairman, Birmingham; W. C. Ward, Birmingham; A. D. Sayre, Montgomery; George H. Parker, Cullman; C. W. Ferguson, Birmingham.

*Montgomery Advertiser*, 5 Dec 1896, 7.

After a well executed violin composition by Professor Davidson, accompanied by Mr. Hille on the piano Mrs. A. D. Sayre recited "The Flute Player," a dainty etching full of subtle beauty, which comes from her gifted pen. Mrs. Sayre responded to a hearty encore

"The Literati Response," *Montgomery Advertiser*, 24 Dec 1896, 3.