

The reason why I say her character for truth and veracity is not good, is the gross lies that she has told about me. I heard somebody else say she could not be believed under oath from general report. I heard my own sister say that she could not believe her, because she lied about her; Miss Katie Butler and Mrs. Butler I heard state the same thing, they live at Pigeon Hill, I heard them both say they would not believe a word she said. I never knew that Myra Fuller had sworn falsely previous to this trial. I do not visit at Sager's, because of the abuse they have given me, in reference to the brother of Myra Fuller. The brother of Myra Fuller lived with us, and I have reason to believe the boy attempted to set fire to my building and that Myra was a party to it. The abuse that I suffered, arose from my expressing my conviction as to the guilt of these parties, of attempting to set fire. Mr. Sager abused me by telling the boy to come to the house when I had forbidden him.

And further deponent saith not, &c.

(Signed,
(Signed,)

CHARITY BRIMMER.

SAM. W. FOSTER, District Magistrate.

THE JUDGMENT.

THE CONSPIRACY CASE.

The prisoners, John M. Sager, Elmira Fuller and Peter Fuller, are charged before the Court with having on the second day of August last wickedly devised to deprive the Rev. Hugh Montgomery, of the village of Philipsburg, in this District, Clerk in Holy Orders, of his good name, fame, credit and reputation, with unjustly and unlawfully extorting and obtaining from said Montgomery a large sum of money, to wit, the sum of \$1,500, and with having unlawfully conspired, combined and agreed together, falsely, unjustly and wickedly to charge and accuse said Montgomery with having had carnal knowledge of the body of said Elmira Fuller, and of being the father of the child whereby said Elmira Fuller was pregnant.

It is unnecessary that I should make any comment, in the present case, upon the evidence adduced before me on this charge, as I have no hesitation in arriving at the conclusion, that, according to Law, sufficient evidence has not been adduced to establish any concert, or agreement, such as the law requires, to make good a case of conspiracy.

Two or more persons may consult and agree to prosecute a person of a crime against whom reasonable suspicions exist, without being guilty of a conspiracy. While discharging the prisoners from this accusation, I must, however, condemn, in the severest terms, the letter written by the accused, John M. Sager, on the 22nd of June, 1872, in which, in the most audacious manner, he writes to Mr. Montgomery