

THE REMOVING from the county jail, of James Taylor, the negro who so brutally outraged little Nellie Silcox, by Sheriff Plummer and taking him down the river in the steam tug Monday night, has been unjustly criticized by many of the citizens of our county. The sheriff, in removing the prisoner who was placed in his custody by the strong arms of the law of the land, to avoid his being lynched, only did what he considered to be his duty and which has proven to have been the only safeguard by which the sheriff could have prolonged the man's life. In performing that duty he has complied with his oath of office, and in complying with his oath of office he has simply fulfilled his duty.

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