

HAD HIM ARRESTED.

Mr. Hamilton Yancey Arrested Because of a Misunderstanding.

Yesterday afternoon Colonel Hamilton Yancey, the prominent insurance man of Rome, Ga., was arrested in the lobby of the Kimball house by Constables John Rasbury and G. W. Patterson on a warrant charging him with kidnaping.

The facts surrounding the warrant on which the arrest was made are of rather a peculiar nature.

The warrant was sworn out by a colored woman named Roxy Walker. The woman is the aunt of a negro boy, aged about thirteen years, who, at the time of Colonel Yancey's arrest, was looked up in that gentleman's room in the Kimball house. The woman claims that the boy, whose name is Frank Holland, was given to her by his mother on her deathbed, and that Colonel Yancey was forcing the boy to accompany him back to Rome, against her wishes and against those of the boy himself.

She also said she was backed up by the boy's grandmother and his step-father, William Bazel, who is employed by Colonel Yancey at the latter's home.

Colonel Yancey, who is one of the most prominent citizens of the Hill City, on the other hand, says that the boy is legally his, as he was indentured to him by his mother about three years ago, in the court of the ordinary of Floyd county, for a term of five years. Last week the mother of the boy who lived in Atlanta, was taken with a sudden illness and the boy was telegraphed to come to her.

Colonel Yancey was away from home at the time, but his family sent the boy to the bedside of the sick mother. On Saturday the woman died.

The family had no means with which to pay the burial expenses, so Colonel Yancey furnished the money required for that purpose, some \$30. Yesterday afternoon Colonel Yancey took the boy from his aunt intending to carry him back to Rome.

The boy's aunt, Roxy Walker, and his grandfather had persuaded him to stay with them, so he refused at first to go with Colonel Yancey, but afterwards consented, and was taken to the hotel by that gentleman.

When Colonel Yancey started to leave the hotel for the depot he was arrested, as above stated, and was carried before Judge Perkerson, where he gave a bond of \$100 for his appearance in that court with the boy next Tuesday at 10 o'clock. He then departed for Rome, taking the boy with him.

Neither the boy nor his people claim that he is mistreated by Colonel Yancey, but his folks simply want the boy to be with them in Atlanta instead of in Rome.

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