

S T A T E M E N T

Of

Mr. F. A. Drinkler, Druggist & Dealer
in Wallpaper & Paint.

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"Yes, I remember D. E. George who worked for W. C. Ball, painting contractor. George occasionally did jobs on his own hook, but very few. He bought very little paint and what he did he paid for in cash. My books show that the last paint Ball bought was in October, 1901 and that he left here owing me \$9.62. Mr. George bought dye for his mustache and hair at my store. As I remember he was drunk about half the time he was here and was not considered a first class painter. He loafed around the store often, but was always quiet. He was considered by people who knew him as a very odd character. He would hang around a saloon and would be given drinks by others. I never heard of him getting any remittance or having any great amount of money. He talked with a Southern accent. He did not limp, as far as I can remember and never mentioned Lincoln or John Wilkes Booth.

George did not have to make a lot of money to live here 20 years ago as things were quite cheap. I remember that when he would come into the store to buy dye for his mustache, a little gray would show where it had grown out since he last dyed it. George's looks were not unusual, as the way he combed his hair and his long mustache was a way that lots of men had in the 90's. I never heard of a man by the name "Dad" Ryan here at that time or since."

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