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and made some statements concerning Bro.

[=====] character, which I asked him to

repeat before some individuals then in the

office which he declined.. I asked him if he

was willing to make the same statements before

the Council.. I felt exasperated, and said such

a man is not worthy, of our support as a

public officer, or our fellowship as a saint.. To

come at the point of testimony he said there

was a young woman living with her mother

near to him, that she had to hunt their cow,

that she was frequently out at improper hours,

and improper distances from home, that on

several occasions she and[=====] were

known to be off in the same direction, and

they would make it so as she would come up

a few minutes before or after him, and on

one occasion Bro. Benson was riding home after

having been away on some business, he passed

[=====] in the prairie in search, as he said,

of his cows soon after he also came up with

this girl, said he cautioned her, telling her it

was quite improper for her to be thus wandering

alone through the prairie, and as he passed on

having gone round the point of a hill, the

young woman passed the other side of the

hill and as he rose the hill, some prairie

chickens flew off, which drew his attention

in the direction that the young woman was,

when he said her and [=====] with

their arms clasped round each other.. Bro.

Benson said also his daughter had informed

him that this same young woman, told her

that [=====] frequently lay with her, and  
he gave her some sour or bitter apples, or  
something of the kind to prevent any danger  
from their connection..