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KEEP YOUR EYE ON US.

THE TIMES will make every effort to give the news of the election, both County and State. We will use a stereopticon to give the latest telegrams and messages. Between acts with moving pictures and stereopticon slides. We have leased a wire for Tuesday night that will give us the very latest news from headquarters. Keep your eye on our screen in front of UNION TIMES office Tuesday evening. Remember, both County and State news, telegraphic, telephonic, horse-bacic, mulebacic, footbacic, cartwheelie and every other kind of "ic." So come and get the latest from the "Old Reliable," THE UNION TIMES.

May the best man with the best platform win—is our wish for Tuesday's results.

In the social columns of last Sunday's State, "Liberty" in South Carolina was overturned.

"There are blind tigers on every corner in Union; and upon every hill and in every hollow throughout Union county," declares a candidate for high office in Union county. Mr. Candidate, we deny the allegation.

The test comes Tuesday. Do you declare yourself free from the shame which South Carolina has borne for fourteen years? Or do you vote yourself a supporter of this curse-bearing traffic? The line of demarcation is clear; you are one or the other.

If the dispensary decreases crime and prohibition makes men violate law, then why the decrease in numbers of the cases before mayor, magistrate and circuit judge? Facts are stubborn things, Mr. Politician, all your stump declarations to the contrary notwithstanding.

We congratulate the city council for limiting the speed of automobiles, motor cycles and bicycles within the city limits. This ordinance has been a long standing want, since some of our citizens have been careless in the extreme as to speed and care in driving their cars through the main streets.

"How many grafters, think you, will cast their votes for J. Frazer Lyon?" None. But there are enough honest men in the state of South Carolina to give him an overwhelming majority. He stands before his people today seeking endorsement of his recent work and permission to continue it, vested with more power. What will the honest men of South Carolina do for J. Frazer Lyon?

Reports say that the men of the Union company bore themselves like gentlemen while at Chicamauga. We congratulate you, gentlemen, and ourselves as well. You,

as representatives of Union, brought no shame upon either yourselves or your home town. If companies or organizations of all kinds would always thus keep in mind their home's fair name, there would be less misconduct abroad.

Now wouldn't Cole Blease make a fine governor! Here are two things about him: He got a drink of liquor in Union just before his speech, boasted of it, and in disparaging the success of prohibition in Union, made possible the inference that he got that liquor from a blind tiger.

He expressed openly the hope that the lynchers would succeed in capturing Bob Davis.

A great man this Cole Blease would be, as the chief executive of South Carolina.

There was a diversity of opinion in the campaign last week as to the origin and definition of the word "democracy." Its origin is the combination of two Greek words, "demos" meaning people, and "kratos" meaning strength. Democracy then, is that form of government in which the people hold and exercise the strength or power. Some one said that democracy took its name from its founder and propagator, Democritus, a Greek philosopher, the laughing philosopher, who lived in probably the fourth century B. C., but he had nothing to do with the founding or propagation of the principles of democracy, neither does it get its name from such a source.

We do not believe "there is a blind tiger on every hill and in every hollow of Union county." We have journeyed over a large part of Union county both before and after the voting out of the dispensary. We have talked with conservative people in many sections of the county. The almost unanimously expressed conviction is that conditions are vastly improved. We have attended many political meetings in Union county, and the most orderly of them all have been the meetings held this year. It is said by some that our constables are doing nothing. That statement we also deny. If Constable Whitmore and his helper, Constable Wiggins are kept in Union county another twelve months the county will be "bone dry." It is almost that even now, so far as the sale of liquor is concerned. There is nothing to keep men from ordering all they want for their personal use. But the blind tigers in Union county are well-nigh dead now.

DOES IT PAY?

The one standing argument of those who favor the sale of whiskey, is the revenue feature. It pays, say these apologists for the rum traffic. They do not dare to say that it produces anything beautiful, true or noble. They can only say: "It pays." Surely this is a low plane upon which to argue. It but shows how sordid and depraved men are that this argument should catch so many. Is man incapable of viewing this question upon any higher ground than that of personal profit. If you knock a traveler in the head and take his money, such an act would be "profitable." The highwayman would have more money in his possession than he had before. But the fact that his money had increased would not make it right for him to rob. Besides, there are good reasons for believing that it does not pay in dollars. It costs more than we get back. Five dollars pass out and but one of these finds its way back. We then use one, and more besides, in looking after the criminals and paupers that the liquor traffic has produced among us. Who has reaped the profits from the sale of whiskey? The man engaged in the sale of liquor seems sometimes to prosper. We have our doubts about his really prospering, but admit that he does so; he is but one in a thousand. It may be set down as a fact that not one of his patrons prospers in the transaction. He pays out

money for that which profits him nothing. If there is any profit in the sale of liquor that profit goes to the dealer, not the public. The whole business, whether dispensary or open barroom is a nefarious business. The profit in it, if there is a profit, is one that is reaped from the degradation and weakness of man. Let the accursed business come to an end. Let us turn away from this blood-money, for that is just what it is—blood money.

LYNCH LAW.

It is ugly; of that there is not the slightest doubt. And it does not stop the crime which it seeks to be avenged. Anyway it does not seem to stop it. But it is just as well to remember that it does little good to rave and foam at the mouth over the lynchings that take place. There are some crimes that are so atrocious, so inhuman and so revolting that it is certain the perpetrators will find speedy death when known to be guilty. The one thing that guarantees the security of our civilization is the high regard and reverence we for have womanhood. Destroy this one safeguard and there will be little left worth having in our civilization.

It remains a solemn fact that when the hand of a rapist clutches the throat of a good and pure woman he will forfeit his life at the hands of the community. Where there is certain proof, and the perpetrator of the crime is caught, there is but one ending to the horrible act—death at the hands of the mob. Neither is color the thing that counts. Black, white, brown, red and every hue that comes between will go the same way. Everywhere and all colors it is the same story—a swift death at the hands of an infuriated mob.

There seems to be no way to stop lynch law except there be found a way to stop the crime that brings swiftly in its wake the lynching. In our sane, sober moments, and when is some other man's wife, daughter, sweetheart that is assaulted we may say "let the law take its course." And it is true that the law should take its course but it never will, so long as the blood that runs in our veins is the blood of freemen and brave men. That's all there is to it. Let the rapist cease upon the earth, then will cease the spirit of lynching. But so long as it does exist there seems to be no remedy, a sad fact, but verily the truth; and we had just as well face it and be done with it.

We stand for law and order always and everywhere. But is it not thinkable that our state's laws are at fault and inadequate? If not, why such frequent violations by sane and sensible men; for some of our very best citizens, law-abiding and true, are members of these lynching parties? Do they not see and feel that they must act in defense of their homes? The very fact of so much lynching gives food for thought along this line.

Here, we think, are four causes why lynch law prevails:

First and foremost, the crime which the lynchers seek to avenge. It is of such horrible nature that men's blood boils and clamors for speedy retribution.

Second, an attempted rape is not punishable by death, and men know in their hearts that a would-be rapist merits death, nothing less.

Third, our lawyers seem to glory so in the deterrence of punishment, glorying so in the display of knowledge on technicalities, that the brute is often allowed an extra and undeserved lease on life. Wronged men cannot bear with this.

Fourth, the fact that a woman must appear in court before a gaping, curious, vulgar crowd and testify to her shame.

These seem to us to be the causes of lynching, and until these causes, of which lynching is only the result, are removed we may expect lynch law to continue. The legislature of South Carolina may just as well take up the matter, for something must be done. Lynch-

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ings will continue unless there is a change, and if not, we may expect a veritable reign of terror.

Primary Election Managers.

The County Executive Committee met August 20th, 1906 and appointed the following managers for the ensuing primary election:

Santue—John Mobley Jeter, Sr., W. J. Fridy, D. J. Gregory, Jonesville—J. C. O'Shields, M. C. Gault, B. F. Kennedy, Union, Ward 1—S. M. Bice, Jr., E. U., E. C. Howze, T. K. Palmer.

Union, Ward 2—R. W. McDow, R. A. Oliphant, C. C. Sartor, Sr., Union, Ward 3—R. G. Gregory, C. M. Bailey, H. J. Kirby, Union, Ward 4—A. S. Whitener, Carrie Barnett, C. C. Sanders.

Carlisle—Jesse Comer, J. P. Cain, W. K. Thomas, Goshen Hill—J. W. Wilson, W. M. Sims, C. E. Jeter.

Cross Keys—A. J. Hill, Thos. W. Cooper, B. T. Bishop, West Springs—James Hyatt, Joseph Vinson, G. C. West.

Colerain—J. M. Harrison, G. R. Ponder, Bailey Lawson, Gibbs—Joe Gregory, Wm. Gibbs, Henry Smith.

Buffalo Mills—Jno. H. Puckett, W. E. G. Humphries, B. G. Lawson, Kelton—H. S. Porter, Bunyan Holcomb, D. L. Gault.

Lockhart—J. V. Askew, W. B. Cranford, Jeter Butler, Adamsburg—Ashmore Vanderford, G. C. Harris, W. F. Farr.

Monarch Mills—A. B. Osborne, J. C. Lowe, John Jolly, Managers are requested to send or come for boxes.

J. W. GREGORY, C. H. PEAKE, Sec'y, County Chairman.

Hoke Smith Elected.

After one of the longest, hottest, dirtiest, most boring, detestable campaigns ever known in the South, Hoke Smith, former member of Cleveland's cabinet, was on Wednesday elected governor of Georgia. He was nominated in the first primary, over all four of his opponents. At this time the returns are incomplete, but sufficient to give Smith a clear majority.

Former fire chief Joyner was elected mayor of Atlanta on the first ballot also.

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