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THE CAMPAIGN FUND.

The Courier has received the following subscriptions to the Democratic campaign fund. Have you contributed? "LET THE PEOPLE RULE."

The Democratic party accepts nothing from the corporations, for they expect favors in return. Let all contribute for the assistance of the party of the people. The people must contribute if they would win.

The List:

Previously acknowledged....	\$ 9 00
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Rev. J. C. Yongue.....	50
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A. P. Crisp.....	1 00
C. W. Pitchford.....	1 00
John E. Bauknight.....	1 00
W. D. Moss.....	1 00
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L. A. Bernicke.....	1 00

Total.....\$20 50

The following letter has been received acknowledging receipt of the \$9 contributed:

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 19.—Editor Keowee Courier—My Dear Sir: Your esteemed favor of the 17th instant enclosing check for \$9, with printed list of contributors attached, has been received.

Permit me to thank you very earnestly on behalf of this committee and myself for the good work and loyal support you are giving us personally and through the medium of your paper. Souvenir receipts will go forward at an early date, as per your list.

I note what you say in reference to more money likely to follow, now that the proposition has been placed before the public. I am sure that you are correct in this assertion, for we have not an instance where a paper failed to do good work when the appeal was taken up in the right kind of spirit, such as I believe you are doing.

Information received here is most encouraging for Democratic victory in November. Keep up the good work.

Thanking you again, and assuring you that your efforts in our behalf are greatly appreciated, I remain,

Yours very truly,

M. C. Wetmore.

Chairman Finance Committee.

We have the Bryan buttons. Have you one? You ought to have.

Have you contributed to the Democratic campaign fund? It is a duty to do so. Send your subscription to The Keowee Courier and it will be acknowledged and sent to the Democratic Finance Committee.

The campaign expenses must be met. Will you not do your part?

A SIGNIFICANT STATEMENT.

The Wall Street Summary of September 22d contained this very significant leader on the political situation:

"We cannot recall a political campaign that appeared to be so bungled and mismanaged as that of Taft up to the present. If the inert and stupid managers are to be ascribed as friends of the candidate, then he has every reason to exclaim, 'Save me from them.' While Bryan is addressing the country and, apparently, making headway, the Republican camp is comparatively listless and lifeless. If this is occasioned through a belief that nothing can defeat the self-appointed heir of Roosevelt, and that only a formal campaign is necessary to his success, it is a grave error.

"Mr. Bryan loses no opportunity of appealing to the man without a job, never fails to remind him of the panic—the 'Roosevelt panic'—and persuasively, if not with absolute correctness, places that foundling on the administration's front steps. His criticisms of the trust and the tariff are by no means pointless, and, under prevailing conditions, appeal with peculiar sympathy to the people, to the misinformed as well as to the intelligent. Cannon is not helping Taft, he is a positive drawback. Foraker is now a most distressing incubus. When is this to end? If not soon, we know how it must end on election day.

"The Republicans have not a walk-over before them, and if they are to win they must begin now. Oyster Bay letters may serve to some purpose, but it is the vigorous campaign in the open that has won political battles in the past, and the present is no exception. It is time for Taft to show himself in the open and not rest content with the public's impression of his personality derived from Presidential open letters. The first stroke is half the battle, and it looks as if Bryan had scored it to date."

Coming from one of the principal organs of the financial interests of New York City, the above quotation strikes us as being particularly pertinent just at this juncture. There

is no questioning the fact that the Republican party, even though strongly entrenched by the long continued spoils of office and the backing of protected industries, has lost prestige, and even now feels the first tremors that precede the final crumbling of its structure.

Are you feather-legged? No? Then cough up something for the Democratic campaign fund.

There is a marked difference between the receptions given the Democratic and Independence candidates for the Presidency. While Bryan receives kisses Hisgen gets hisses.

The howling of the Republican leaders about those of the Democratic party reminds us of the man who steals something, and then, to distract suspicion, gets out and lustily shouts "Stop, thief."

Jim Sherman, the Republican Vice Presidential nominee, is this week "Marching Through Illinois." Illinois citizens will do well to keep in close touch with the fire alarm buttons. One never can tell just what will happen.

Caleb Powers, the Kentuckian, who spent eight years in the penitentiary for complicity in the murder of Governor Goebel, was last Sunday baptized by a Baptist minister, who lost a mighty good opportunity, when he had him down, to do something for his country.

Have you subscribed to the Democratic campaign fund? Why not? It is impossible for us to go out and canvass and see everybody. Just send your contribution to The Courier and it will be acknowledged and remitted promptly to the National Democratic Committee.

Capt. Richmond Pearson Hobson has gone into the calamity howling business up to his neck. From his speech at Boston last week one would suppose that the average American citizen ought to start to shivering immediately in anticipation of the awful things Japan is going to do to us in the near future.

The electors of this State put up by the Republican party in order that they may be knocked down (politically, of course,) by their Democratic friends are: L. W. C. Blalock, of Goldville, and A. C. Caughman, of Charleston, at large; Isaac H. Norris, Yorkville; G. R. Mayfield; Greenville; T. F. Brennan, Columbia; Jas. Powell, Aiken; L. D. Melton, Columbia; T. L. Grant, colored, Charleston, and J. A. Baxter, colored, Georgetown.

For a Sprained Ankle.

A sprained ankle may be cured in about one-third the time usually required by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely and giving it absolute rest. For sale by J. W. Bell, Walhalla; W. J. Lunney, Seneca.

Items from Little River.

Little River, Sept. 26.—Special: Fodder pulling is about over in this section and cane and cotton are entertaining the people at this time.

The protracted meeting at this place, conducted by W. M. Walker and others, was very largely attended. There were thirteen additions to the church. On the third Sunday one more joined at the water. Fourteen were baptized by the pastor, Rev. C. L. Craig. At the close of the service a collection was taken for Mrs. Geo. Fox. The amount received was \$5.70, for which the widow was very thankful.

A. R. Galloway, who has been on the invalid list all summer, is greatly improved at this time. His many friends are delighted to hear of his good fortune and to see him out again.

J. B. Burgess is the champion fodder puller of this section. He pulled two thousand bundles in eight days. Can you beat that?

James Corbin, of Republic, Ala., was visiting in this section the past week. He is looking well and likes his new home.

W. M. Perry killed two gray squirrels at one shot on August 26. They were in a dispute over a hickory nut when they fell prey to the Nimrod.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman P. Whitten, of Salem, spent last Sunday in these parts.

J. Fulton Hunnicutt and sister, Miss Nora, were visiting relatives and friends in this section some time back.

R. E. Smith spent part of last week in North Carolina—I guess probably deer hunting—if that is the way to spell it.

R. M. Lusk, of Pickens county, paid his father, L. W. Lusk, a visit the past week.

The school at Smeltzer has been closed for the past two weeks. It will reopen September 28.

The sad news of the death of Mrs. James Patterson was made known here last Monday. The report says she died suddenly. This was a great shock to her many relatives and friends. She was a good Christian woman and much loved and highly respected by all who knew her. Truly one of our good mothers has gone to reap her reward with the faithful. M.

How to Get Strong.

P. J. Daly, of 1247 W. Congress street, Chicago, tells of a way to become strong: He says, "My mother who is old and was very feeble, is deriving so much benefit from Electric Bitters, that I feel it's my duty to tell those who need a tonic and strengthening medicine about it. In my mother's case a marked gain in flesh has resulted, insomnia has been overcome, and she is steadily growing stronger." Electric Bitters quickly remedy stomach, liver and kidney complaints. Sold under guarantee at all drug stores. 50c.

Launch Sinks; Six Men Drowned.

Chicago, Sept. 28.—The police today began a search for the bodies of six men drowned when the launch Lemon struck a pier of the bridge in the Calumet river and sank.

DESPERADO MCGAHA KILLED.

Kills His Three Men, Then Dies at Hands of Negro.

Honea Path, Sept. 28.—About fifteen miles from here, in Greenville county, Saturday night, John McGaha was shot by a negro about 8 o'clock and died from the wound about 11. There are several rumors about the killing, but the facts seem to be about as follows:

John McGaha and Jap Ashley Saturday went over into Greenville county to arrest two negroes who worked for McGaha last year. They found the negroes at a store near the home of Coon Ware. They arrested them and carried them to some negro's house, supposedly to allow the men to get their clothes.

When they arrived at the negro's house a row was begun and Mr. Ashley left. McGaha began shooting and the fire was returned by the negroes. In the melee eleven or more shots were fired, and McGaha was shot through the chest with a load of shot. Mr. Ashley carried him to the home of Coon Ware, where he died about 11 o'clock.

Before this time, McGaha had himself been twice shot, and one of these wounds was responsible for his stiff leg. He had killed three men, two whites and a negro. A week or two ago he was cleared at Abbeville for the killing of George Clinkscales, a negro, about six months ago.

McGaha's Career.

(Anderson Mail.)

John McGaha was one of the most desperate and fearless characters of South Carolina. He was 40 years old and leaves a wife. He was reared to manhood in the home of Hon. J. W. ("Citizen Josh") Ashley, in the Honea Path section, and had since engaged in farming near there. He had three times been tried and three times cleared of the charge of murder, two of his victims being white men. It is also said that he killed a negro some twenty years ago near Honea Path, and there are many reputable citizens in Anderson county who freely express the belief that he was guilty of the crime. It is said that the negro was badly beaten up by a crowd and that McGaha later pressed a pistol against his body and fired.

The latest case led at McGaha's door was the killing of a negro named George Clinkscales. He was tried in Abbeville at the last term of the court and cleared on the ground that the shooting was accidental. McGaha and Clinkscales had gone to the home of a negro intoxicated. After remaining a time the negro left the house and was going in the direction of the barn and McGaha shot through the open door and killed him, the ball entering the negro's back. His plea was that he had fired to notify the negro that he was ready to leave.

About fourteen years ago McGaha was tried for the murder of Josh Bigby, a white man, and also a notorious character. He was shot with a shotgun. McGaha and Bigby had been in Anderson together, and both were drinking. They left for their homes, near Honea Path, eighteen miles, and when near McGaha's home he got out of the wagon, walked to his home, secured a shotgun and walked back a mile and shot Bigby. It was said that Bigby had before beaten McGaha almost to death. The latter's plea of self-defense was sustained.

Bud Sweat was shot and killed by McGaha on Christmas day, ten years ago, at the former's home, five miles from Honea Path, in Abbeville county. They had become involved in a difficulty over some matter and the shooting occurred in Sweat's yard, where McGaha is said to have followed him. A pistol was the weapon used.

McGaha had often been arrested at Anderson and had more than once threatened to kill an officer. He was feared throughout this whole section and, because of this fear, exercised great power over negroes and a certain class of whites.

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