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OVATION BY HOME FOLKS,

Given Caleb Powers Upon His Arrival Home Sunday Morning

Fully One Thousand People Met Him at the Depot to Welcome Him Back to Loved Ones.

Mr. Powers Gave Fine Address Upon Reaching Court House

Last Sunday morning when the 10:30 train arrived at the depot fully one thousand people had gathered there to welcome Hon. Caleb Powers back to his old home and friends.

The special edition of the Mountain Advocate that was issued on Saturday afternoon announcing the pardon and stating that he would arrive on the morning train was read by hundreds of people and every one was anxiously expecting him to arrive.

Mr. Powers and the friends who had accompanied him from Georgetown, took a sleeper at Junction City at midnight on Saturday night and went through to Pennington Gap, Va., where they got off and took breakfast in time to return on the next train which brought them back to this city at 10:30 Sunday morning.

The meeting of Mother Powers and her son was indeed a pathetic one and brought tears of the throng that had gathered.

No sooner was his familiar form seen to appear upon the platform of the rear coach, than a shout of joy went up from the multitude, hats and handkerchiefs were waving and everyone was eager for an opportunity to clasp his hand.

The Red Men's Band played "My Old Kentucky Home" and never before did it have such a true meaning as on this occasion when Caleb Powers had set foot on old Knox county soil.

He was escorted to a carriage in waiting and with his dear old mother and sister by his side, he was driven by Col. John G. Matthews directly to the courthouse, led by the Red Men's Band and followed by the entire populace of the city and surrounding country.

Upon reaching the courthouse he was escorted to the large Circuit Court room which packed to the doors in a few moments, all anxious to hear a word from him. As soon as quiet was restored Col. Matthews in a few well chosen words introduced the speaker.

Mr. Powers arose with tears of joy glistening in his eyes and with a look of pleasure beaming forth from his face said:

Ladies and gentlemen, friends and neighbors, I feel somewhat like a young lady did when a gallant young gentleman had just proposed. She said, "Oh, this is so sudden and so unexpected."

And this great demonstration today, and the call for a speech upon this occasion is so sudden, and so unexpected that I scarcely know where to begin, what to say or where to end. And while my health will not permit an extended speech I cannot refrain from saying at least a few words upon this occasion, by far and by long odds the happiest occasion of my whole life.

"Perhaps never in the history of all the world has there been paid such a tribute and honor to any man emerging from the walls of a bastille, as you have paid me this day by your assembling together here, thousands in number, to meet me and welcome me

back to your midst, and to my home.

SIGNIFICANCE OF DEMONSTRATION.

"This demonstration here today can mean but one thing. It has but one significance, and this is that those among whom I have been born and reared, those that have had an opportunity to know me better than any other people on the face of the earth want to say and do say to all the world that you disbelieve in and repudiate the foul charges brought against my fair name.

"This demonstration means, if it means anything, that you approve of my course and conduct for the last nine or ten years as your public servant and fellow townsman, and that you are here today to manifest your interest in my integrity and my honor.

WORDS OF APPRECIATION.

"My friends, I appreciate it. I appreciate it more than any poor words of mine can well express. My heart swells up with gratitude and emotion when I think of the loyalty and devotion you have all shown for me from my boyhood up. I came to your town here and entered Union College when a green country boy, only fifteen years of age. I had not been here but a few months till one of your wealthiest merchants and now one of your prominent bankers and business men offered me a position as clerk in his store. I had not dreamed of such a compliment and such an honor, and under all the circumstances, considering how little I knew about his business, I think it one of the greatest compliments and greatest honors ever paid me in my life.

"A year or more after when but a mere lad I was employed as a teacher in one of your best public schools. In a few years following that, when I was barely old enough to hold the place, I was elected by the voters of this county as your Superintendent of Public Schools, doing what no other candidate from Knox county has ever done before or since—receiving every vote in my home precinct.

STORY OF POLITICAL CAREER.

"After the expiration of my first term as Superintendent of Schools, I was renominated and re-elected, and the position of Superintendent was then, and is now the most unpopular office within the gift of the people of this county, I was the only man holding a county office at the time who succeeded in having himself renominated for any county office."

Mr. Powers then went on to give a short history of his career from the time that he left his native county to take up his duties of Secretary of State at Frankfort, and also gave a short account of his campaigning during the troublesome times of the Taylor-Goebel race.

His description of the times prior to and following the assassination of Senator Goebel, when Frankfort was thronged to overflowing with politicians, hangers on and soldiers, was most lucid

and stirring to a degree, and when he had finished, after a brief account of his incarceration in the various county jails and the four trials which he was forced to undergo, the great throngs, which stood on tiptoe to hear his every word, rushed about him and overwhelmed him with their wishes for his good health and prosperity.

After his address which was a pleasure to everyone to hear, hundreds of others crowded up to shake his hand and wish him unbounded success. He was finally taken to residence of Mr. W. H. Green, on River street, where he spent the remainder of the day and was allowed to rest until evening. From 7 until 9 o'clock a reception was given in his honor and almost every person in town were there.

Those in the receiving line were Judge F. D. Sampson, Mrs. A. W. Hopper, Mother Powers, Hon. Caleb Powers, Mrs. W. W. Tinsley, Mayor Robert W. Cole, Mrs. D. W. Clark, Col. John G. Matthews, Mrs. A. N. Herndon, Judge Wm. Lewis and Editor D. W. Clark.

Punch was served to all the guests, the punch bowl was presided over by Miss Maggie Sampson and Mrs. R. W. Cole. Mr. W. H. Green and Mrs. F. D. Sampson met all the guests and passed them through the receiving line.

It was indeed a grand day for Barbourville and one which will never be forgotten when after more than eight years Knox county had the pleasure of receiving and welcoming back her distinguished son of whom she has just cause to feel proud.

Mr. Powers will leave in a few days for the Springs where he hopes to recuperate and gain back his strength and will again be his former self as of yore.

He has received such an enormous bulk of telegrams and letters of congratulations that it would be entirely out of question for him to think of trying to acknowledge them, but he appreciates them just the same.

Those from this city who went to Georgetown and accompanied Mr. Powers home were his brother-in-law, W. H. Green, W. W. Byrley, W. H. McDonald, H. H. Owens and W. M. Mitchell, J. F. Hughes, Dr. Sam Bennett.

On Monday afternoon there being a full meeting of the bar present, Judge Sampson called the meeting to order and J. D. Tuggle was elected chairman and T. D. Tinsley, secretary, after which the following resolutions were read and unanimously adopted by the Knox county bar.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, The Hon. Caleb Powers, one of the members of this Bar, has for more than eight years past been absent and has not been able to participate in the business of this court or to attend to his duties at this Bar, and

Whereas, His long period of punishment and persecution came to an end on last Saturday, June 13, 1908, by an act of justice on the part of Augustus E. Willson, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, in restoring him to his liberty and affording him the opportunity of again meeting with us in the practice of law.

Therefore, Be it resolved by this Bar: That we commend Augustus E. Willson, Governor

of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, for his wise, just and humane course in finally determining and forever setting at rest the political turmoil and strife which has divided our people and set brother against brother; and declare that much credit is due to the trained legal mind of Governor Willson and his painstaking efforts to discover the truth and the right;

And be it further resolved, That we congratulate Caleb Powers upon the manly, just and courageous fight made for the maintenance of truth and right and upon the final triumph thereof; and we now welcome him back to his old place in this community and at this Bar and bespeak for him that degree of success which his high order of ability and integrity deserves.

And be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the order book of this Court.

CIRCUIT COURT.

Circuit Court continues with a very small attendance, only those who have business with the court are in town.

The following cases have been disposed of during the present term:

E. G. Saulsbery and A. Manning, gaming, \$25.00 each and cost.—E. G. Saulsbery and A. Manning, gaming, second count \$75.00 each and cost.—Jno. Mills, shooting in public highway, \$50.00.—Ples Helton, for breach of peace, \$5.00.—Sam Thompson, illegal voting, \$50.00 fine.—D. W. Slusher, A. Slusher and Lee Scalf, of Flat Lick, gaming, \$20.00 each.—John Slusher and Ike Mills, gaming, \$25.00 each.—Will Sprinkles, concealed weapons, \$25.00 and ten days in jail.—Alf Engle, gaming, \$35.00 and cost.—George Watkins, gaming, \$20.00 and cost.—Geo. Taylor, of Flat Lick, liquor on election day, two county, \$25.00 in each case.—Bert Davis, George Davis and Marsh Turner, cruel mistreatment of beast, \$10.00 each.—Silver Bill Lawson, liquor selling, \$60.00 and ten days in jail.—U. Suttles, gaming, \$20.00 and cost.—Will Alford, liquor, \$60.00 and ten days in jail.—Colaway Gambrel, concealed weapons, \$25.00 and ten days in jail.—Giles Asher, concealed weapons, \$25.00 and ten days in jail.—Dan Smith, disturbing religious worship, \$50.00 and ten days in jail.—C. W. Lawson, breach of the peace, \$50.00 and ten days in jail.—Andy Manning, breach of the peace, \$75.00 and ten days in jail.—Andy Manning, concealed weapons, \$35 and ten days in jail.—Robert Blevins, liquor selling, \$60 and ten days in jail.—John Wyrick, cruelty to animal, \$10 fine.—Wm. Slusher, Henry Hubbard, gaming, \$20 each.—Dock Lawson, concealed weapons, \$50 and ten days in jail.—J. M. E. Baker, assault and battery, \$10 fine.—Silver Bill Lawson, liquor, \$60.—Robert Stewart concealed weapons, \$30 and ten days in jail.—Jack Alford, liquor, \$60 fine.

Thos. Gambrel, charged with the murder of John Gambrel, was begun Monday morning.

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For Assessor.

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Mr. McNamara is well known to many of our citizens as he was at one time engaged in business in this city as a grocer and baker.

For the past few years he has been engaged as a traveling salesman and has been interested in a great measure in the sale of Knox county coal.

He is in every way competent to discharge the duties of the office in a correct and satisfactory manner. He places his claims for this office in the hands of the Republican party and pledges to discharge the duties well if elected.

He is an influential and earnest Republican and always does his part in every campaign. We present his claims for him and invite the attention of the voter to him in making out their list of candidates to be voted for. He will submit to the wish of the people as expressed at the primary.

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CUMBERLAND BRIDGE

Discovered to be in Dangerous Condition.

The Cumberland river bridge in this city has been found to be in a dangerous condition as some of the floor joists have decayed at the ends where they rest on the steel girders, and will have to be replaced with new joists at once.

Judge Sampson and the Advocate man visited the bridge on Wednesday morning and saw the condition, and the Judge decided to take steps at once to have it made secure.

It is possible that the new joists will be put in of steel instead of wood as it will be much more durable, and not much if any more expensive to the county.

The iron work of the bridge is now undergoing a new coat of paint which will add much to the appearance and also prolong its wearing qualities.

Judge Sampson is having all the bridges in the county newly painted this summer.

The bridge at the mouth of Richland creek has just been painted, and as soon as the work of painting the Cumberland bridge is completed the crew will go to Artemus and paint the bridge that crosses the river at that point.

UNION COLLEGE

New Department Added Under Prof. Henry L. Pitman.

Union College has made arrangements to conduct a Business Course in connection with the regular Academic courses.

It is the aim of this department to fit ambitious young men and women for immediate entrance into the business world and to assist them to good positions as soon as they shall have completed the prescribed course of study. Two rooms in the Administration building are being fitted up for the work, and quite a large number of students are expected when school opens in September.

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COAL AND TIMBER LANDS ARE SOLD

Eastern Capitalists Make Extensive Purchase in Kentucky

Special to Advocate, June 12.—An eastern syndicate, composed of New York, Boston and Philadelphia capitalists, has purchased a boundary of nearly 6,000 acres of fine timber and coal properties in lower Perry county, east of here. The coal property is among the best in the eastern Kentucky field, while the timber is almost in its virgin state. No definite statements were made as to the development of the property, but it is supposed that the syndicate has an eye on its development. The property lies along the proposed line of the Lexington & Eastern, from Jackson, Kentucky, which is projected to be built into the Elkhorn coal field, above here.

CARTER ROAD SURVEY.

A line of the Clinchfield-Carolina project, George L. Carter's line, is now being surveyed up Pound river, Wise county, Virginia, a few miles from the Kentucky border line, starting from a point near Elkhorn City, Ky., near the "breaks." This survey was made last summer. It is said the objective point of this survey is to reach the rich coal deposits of the upper Cumberland river section, Harlan county, Ky., a road, owing to the great importance, will be built during the next year.

Almost Total Eclipse of Sun, Visible Here.

Kentucky will be afforded an opportunity on Sunday morning, June 28th, to witness almost a total eclipse of the sun, and should the weather be clear on that date midday will seem like the dusk of the evening. The eclipse will begin at Washington, D. C., at 9:27 a. m. and will end at 12:41 p. m., making the hours it will be visible in this section of the country from 10:27 o'clock a. m. until 1:41 o'clock p. m. The path of the eclipse will be Mexico City, Tampa, Fla., and the Bermuda Islands on this continent, and will cross the Atlantic Ocean and terminate somewhere in Western Africa. The eclipse will be total in Southern Florida and about 75 per cent of total in the other sections where it will be at all visible on this continent.

Jas. B. Howard Gets Position

Jas. Howard, who was convicted and sent to the penitentiary upon the charge of firing the shot that killed Goebel, was released last Saturday morning by the pardon issued by Gov. Willson.

He went direct to Louisville and Sunday he was offered a position as a deputy in the office of County Clerk Mark Gabhart, of Louisville. Mr. Howard gladly accepted the place and his family have joined him now in that city where they will make their future home.

It was a noble act upon the part of Mr. Gabhart to offer the position to Mr. Howard and we rejoice that he was so fortunate as to secure such a nice position without any delay, and we feel quite certain that he will be able to give entire satisfaction.

We have no prejudice against the neatly dressed, nice appearing boy, while we do detest the fellow who goes around looking like a bunch of hard luck, but a girl looking for a model husband should be careful. If you don't know one when you see him, ask mother—she will recognize him at sight.