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There Was no Mincing of Words in Discussing Men or Measures Ninety-Two Years Ago.

INTERESTING EXTRACTS.

Old papers, like old people, are often most interesting and posesses a fund of information at once valuable and unique. The editors of THE TRANSCRIPT are fortunate in having access to the bound files of the *Federal Republican and Commercial Gazette*, published in Baltimore city in the years 1808 and 1809. During the present campaign it may not be uninteresting to gather some information as to how campaigns were conducted and the kind of talk indulged in the discussion of the merits and demerits of public men at that time. General Smith, one of the public men of Maryland was accused of being in secret conference with the French, and a "challenge was given to the Mud-Fort Hero" which contains the following sentiment.

"If Smith were not one of the most contemptible, mean spirited demagogues that ever crawled upon the earth, such an intimation would not be necessary. Can anything meaner be conceived, than his sneaking into the different counties, collecting the people secretly together, in order that he may circulate among them misrepresentations and falsehoods, without fear of detection. But, General, it is not by these means that your character can be rescued from infamy. If you desire to relieve yourself from the weight which now oppresses you, meet the charges made against you fairly and openly. But if the weight of guilt bears you down, relieve your conscience by a confession and asking forgiveness of the injured people of Maryland.

"But Gen. Smith—will he or any of his creatures for him dare to show their faces in Frederick county before the next election?"

The Federal Republicans of Kent also had a put at the daughty General Smith as follows, in "A Card:"

"The Federal Republicans of Kent county present their compliments to General Smith, and ask the favor of his company to meet them before the people of that county. They hope that before the noble General shall visit their county, he will give public notice of his intentions that he may be fairly met."

The following letter from Kent was published on September 18, 1809:

"The Democrats held a meeting in the town district, on Saturday, the 2d inst.; it had been given out, and was believed by the party generally, that Gen. Smith was to be there to refute all the charges in circulation against him; but the general was absent, and very badly supported, on that day, by his friends. Col. Reed had seen the *Federal Republican* containing the extract of a letter from this county, which gave the information that he had charged all the publications against Smith to be forgeries, and that it was necessary to defend himself, which he did, by saying that he had, when he made that declaration, only seen some anonymous publications. Had he read none but anonymous publications, unsupported by evidence, it would not have been necessary to declare such publications *forgeries*, as they would have had but very little weight with the people. He did not undertake to defend the general, but informed the citizens that they had nothing to do with the election of a senator.

"That that power was wisely deposited in other hands. The citizens present had met in expectation that the character of the great leader would be made as white as a clean sheet of paper—how great must have been their dissapointment, when they found that the Colonel himself held testimony against him to be *so strong* that he could not undertake his *defence*.

Mr. Ringgold, one of our candidates, was present, and on an invitation given, replied to the Colonel—In his address he differed widely from the Colonel, insisting that the people were very much interested in the choice of Senator, that altho' they did not directly choose the senator, yet they indirectly did so thro' their representatives, of whom they were shortly to make a choice.

"His speech was very much approved by the citizens present—an honest, candid democrat declared Ringgold's speech was more republican than Reed's, and made his declaration openly, upon which a very large and powerful thorough-going democratic blacksmith set about hammering him into more correct opinions."

Then as now, politicians were addicted to making wonderful claims far in advance of elections. Here is a reference to Democratic Queen Anne, taken from an answer to the Democratic forcast:

"Even Dorchester, which gave a federal majority last yeer of about three-fourths of the whole number of voters in the county, has been set down as democratick. Worcester and Frederick too so lately distinguished for pure federal republicanism, have been insulted and dishonoured by being ranked with Baltimore, Harford and Queen-Ann's."

The *Federalist* makes the following forecast:

	Fed.	Dem.
Cecil,	2	2
Kent,	2	2
Queen Ann,	0	4
Caroline,	2	2
Talbot,	2	2
Somerset,	4	0
Dorset,	4	0
Worcester,	4	0
	20	12

A CARD.

"Commodore Barney is particularly invited to be in Chester-town, Kent county, on Friday next. The friends of General Smith have given out that the General will be here; and inasmuch as the charges made against him under the name of Joshua Barney, have been pronounced *forgeries*, it is hoped the Commodore will come and meet the General.

"It seems that Commodore Barney was not permitted to address the people of Frederick, because it was feared he would injure the General's election; but here he will be listened to by all parties, as we are all anxious to get information."

HUNDREDS.

Kent county, E. S., Md.

The people, in those old days of nearly a century ago, gave and took bets; lost and secured money on the uncertainties of campaigns. The battle waxed hot and furious in Frederick and Alleghany.

The democrats claimed them and backed their faith with dollars that four Democrats would be sent to the Legislature for Frederick. Here is what was said of the situation: "Federalists are too liberal to take such crazy odds any longer. We are authorized to offer the following wagers; money to be staked.

"$1,000 that a majority of federalists are elected in Federick."

"$500—a similar bet on Alleghany."

"Will you bet, gentlemen, instead of bragging so much? A gentleman from Frederick has directed his funds in Baltimore to be thus advantageously employed."

At a meeting in Cecil General Smith was asked to stop speaking as the crowd had heard enough of him. He stepped down and a Federalist speaker promptly took his place.

Governor Lloyd is given a newspaper drubbing because of a report that he was to "put his shoulder to the wheel" and go on an electioneering tour for the Democrats.

The following election returns were published, October 5, 1809:

Dem.		Sheriff.	Fed.
Edw. Wilkins	634	Jno. Ireland	573
		Delegates.	
Unit Angier	643	Jas. Ringgold	580
Wm. Moffett	631	Richd Frisby	603
C. Hall	638	J. Spencer	555
James Harris	629	W. Burneston	544

Cecil elected 4 Democrats to the Legislature, but John Creswell, the Federal sheriff, was elected by a majority of 42 votes. Talbot also went Democratic.

The report of the election in Kent as given in the *Federal Republican*, read as follows:

"So far, so bad; or rather not so good as might be. The democratic ticket has prevailed in Kent by a majority of 26, it is said last year the democrats had a majority of 45, so that Kent has improved a little. It is reported that as many demoerats from Baltimore voted in Kent, as their majority consists of."

As mention has been made of wagers on Frederick county, the following report can but be of interest: "The Federlists have carried but 3 of their men; and one of the judges of the election is strongly suspected of altering a figure in favor of Schley, who is the Democratic candidate elected by a majority of 2 over Sappington; as *the statement first rendered is two less for Schley*, and consequently there was a tie between him and Sappington."

To be continued next week.

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