

# IN AND ABOUT THE CITY

## MR. GEORGE'S SUPPORTERS.

### PERSONAL AID AND ENCOURAGEMENT COMING IN RAPIDLY.

If the letters that were received at No. 16 Astor-place yesterday may be taken as an indication of the political outlook among the working people, the campaign for Henry George has got a very good start. Letters were received from workmen in all parts of the city promising votes and material assistance. Some of the letters contained small sums of money for the campaign fund. Twenty young men sent their names on a slip of paper, with the promise of \$1 from each one and as much active campaign work as they could do. A brassworker wrote that he would give \$1 and a day's time for Henry George. A carpenter wrote, among other things: "The only other political act that I ever took real interest in was to aid that noble soul, John Stuart Mill, to get to the House of Commons, and then he had to be hitched to a rich man to succeed." The proprietor of a manufactory in Stamford, Conn., wrote that although he had no vote for Mr. George he would contribute to the campaign fund. In closing a letter to Mr. George a carpenter wrote: "Please excuse bad spelling and grammar. I had a very small schoolmaster."

Mr. George was in and out of his office all day. Scores of people called to see him and to offer their services for any work that might be done during the campaign. Mr. George was dressed in a plain suit of dark clothes not entirely new and a high silk hat. He received every one who called, and to all he talked cheerfully of his prospects in the campaign. He said that the work was starting off very briskly. He felt much encouraged over the kind words and offers of help that had been given him. The following additional persons wrote yesterday that they would take part in the mass meeting in Chickering Hall on Friday evening: John F. Dingwall, Andrew Seabrook, Dr. B. F. Tillyou, R. J. McGee, the Rev. M. J. Phelan, Edward F. Underhill, stenographer in the Surrogate's Court; T. L. McCready, Prof. D. B. Scott, of the New-York Medical College; Justus O. Woods, A. B. Simonds, and O. L. Smith. One of the best known of the visitors at Mr. George's office yesterday afternoon was Lawson N. Fuller, who came in with the news that the people of Washington Heights and vicinity were solid for George. "Henry George is my candidate," said Mr. Fuller, "and he ought to be the candidate of every right thinking man in the city." Mr. Fuller means to make things lively for the factional politicians up in his neighborhood. He is well constituted to make things lively in any given locality. While he was a boy his mother had a constant fear that he would grow up to be a prize fighter.

John McMackin, who has been selected by the Executive Committee of the Central Labor Union to act as its Chairman during the Henry George campaign, spent yesterday in finishing a job of house painting before taking charge of the active campaign work. He will begin his political work to-day. It is likely that the campaign headquarters will be at No. 141 Eighth-street. It is proposed to lease the ground floor of the building. The lease was not made out yesterday, as some of the members of the committee thought that the monthly rent asked was a little too high. Mr. George yesterday engaged a room in the Colonnade Hotel as his personal headquarters during the campaign. He will pass his time there and in his publishing office. To a friend Mr. George said yesterday that he had received no intimation of an indorsement from any political party.

"I heard to-day," said his friend, "that you would be indorsed by Tammany Hall."

"Is that so?" Mr. George said, as a smile chased itself across its face. "Well, I'm glad of it. I hope that others will do the same."

Workmen of the Third Assembly District who will support Henry George for Mayor met last night at No. 392 Bowery, and about 30 persons pledged themselves to the Labor candidate. Out of this number not more than half were Labor Union men. Patrick Doody was elected permanent Chairman; W. J. Longheed, Secretary, and W. J. Miles, Treasurer. The permanent place for holding business meetings will be No. 141 Eighth-street. Open-air mass meetings will be the feature of the campaign, and at each papers will be circulated pledging the signers to vote for Mr. George. The opinion of the Labor Union men present was that 50,000 votes might be secured to the organization if thorough work is done.

In the Sixth Assembly District the organization was already made, and last night's meeting was to get the names of men who will vote for Henry George. Thirty-two persons signed, but the main dependence of the leaders is to create an interest in the work by means of mass meetings and by personal interviews. It is thought in this district that at least 60 per cent. of the Labor Union men will join in the movement.

The Henry George Campaign Club of the Twenty-second Assembly District met last night at No. 1,500 First-avenue, ratified Mr. George's nomination, elected a Committee of Eleven to organize the district, and adjourned to meet at the same place next Monday evening. The meeting was composed of members of the Clothing Cutters', Carpenters', Painters', Pianomakers', Cigarmakers', Locomotive Engineers', Gasfitters', Plumbers', Builders', and Machinists' Unions, and it was decided to admit outsiders to the club meetings upon their purchasing cards at 5 cents apiece and binding themselves to vote and work for Henry George at the ensuing election.

A Henry George Club will be organized in the Second District to-morrow evening at Cosmopolitan Hall, East Broadway and Catharine-street. Addresses will be made by J. W. Sullivan, P. J. Clarisse, John F. Burke, and others.

The Twenty-third District Henry George Labor Club will meet for permanent organization at the "Marion," Fourth-avenue and One Hundred and Tenth-street, this evening. Only members of the Knights of Labor and trades unions holding cards will be admitted.

Henry George was the guest of the Manhattan Association of the Knights of Labor, composed of surface railroad men, on the occasion of its second anniversary, celebrated at Lion Park last night. After much urging he consented to say a few words and was introduced by John Meehan, Jr., the acting President of the association. He said that having been nominated for Mayor by a convention of whose nomination any man might be proud it would only be courteous to wait until the Tuesday night meeting at the Cooper Institute before formally expressing himself. "After that," he said "will come a campaign in which my voice will be heard all over the city."

He was followed by John Bealin, who said that it had been falsely asserted that Mr. George was born in England, while the fact was that he and his father and mother were all born in this country. "It is said that Henry George is a Communist," he continued, "but his political sponsor is the Rev. Dr. McGlynn, and if there were anything wrong about the man Dr. McGlynn would not stand shoulder to shoulder with him."

A show of hands by those in favor of Mr. George's nomination for Mayor was then called for and every hand in the large audience went up. Mr. George was accompanied by his brother, John D. George. He left about 11 o'clock pleading fatigue.