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Judge A. W. Tourgee

I take the liberty of sending you one of my articles from the Baraboo Republic of recent date, with relation to the Widow Miller fund, for the purpose of indicating to you that I am still trying to do something in the behalf of right and justice.

I dictate these few lines to you while lying on my back because of a supposed fracture of my right hip joint, which was brought about by an accident at Chicago on the 2nd inst. caused by being run down by a reckless hack driver, on a street of that city.

I trust the fund has been

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carefully increased since I last
heard that the proposed
suit will soon be put under
way.

I am, yours respectfully,
Chas. H. Williams

By A. L. McK.

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AID JUSTICE.

BARABOO, Sept. 30th, 1894.

Messrs. Editors:—Some time ago Judge Tourgee and others commenced proceedings looking towards a suit in the interest of the widow of Sey J. Miller, who had been cruelly hung by a mob in the western part of Kentucky. These contemplated proceedings, while being in the interest of the widow, were more especially intended to obtain a decision in the United States court against these lawless and cruel proceedings common in many parts of the country and more especially against the negro. It will be remembered I made an effort through the Republic some short time since to raise some funds in this city towards paying the expenses of such a suit, resulting in but few contributors and a very small amount subscribed.

Since then near the city of New Orleans, where a justice of the peace had been murdered by a negro—the murderer having escaped to the swamps, being still at large—the inhabitants of the vicinity under great excitement and presumably for the purpose of intimidating the negroes, hung the three brothers of the murderer who were entirely innocent of any connection with the crime, flogging with great severity all the female relatives of the murderer, among them his mother.

Since then the Roanoke tragedy has taken place and without doubt many other negroes have been executed by mob violence, the report of which has not yet become public.

Because of these things I again call attention to the proceedings in the interest of the widow of Miller, for the purpose of urging that funds be raised to assist Judge Tourgee and others in their efforts for a United States court decision making the several counties or states liable for all damages caused by mob violence. Will not some of our citizens who are interested in the welfare of all of our people take up this question actively in the general interest?

CHARLES H. WILLIAMS.