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Political Courage.

INTELLECTUAL force is eminently desirable in the statesman, whether in a legislative or executive position. But there are other qualities that are even more necessary to secure public respect and confidence. An inflexible devotion to the right, and the courage to assert and maintain the honest convictions of the mind in reference to great questions of state, are surer guarantees of general and lasting esteem, than the most profound learning and mental ability, either timidly or falsely applied.

The oracular wisdom of BACON himself could not redeem his meanness and dishonesty from contempt. Jackson carried away the popular heart from all of his intellectual rivals, because he was known to be both frank and firm, while they were always suspected of a lawyer-like inclination to "make the worse appear the better reason." The moral daring of CLAY, who once, on a memorable occasion in the Senate of the republic, said that he would rather be right than be President, won him more enthusiastic friends than even his most sagacious measures or splendid eloquence. DANIEL WEBSTER had the grandest intellect that ever shed its light upon our national councils; but he was always distrusted, because of a prevailing impression-subsequently shown to be erroneous-that he lacked the necessary nerve to lead a party and take the responsibility in any critical political emergency.

Courage in a representative is, in short, the virtue most valued by a high-spirited people, as it is also the one that often proves practically most useful to them in the trying crises which occasionally arise in the course of public affairs. We have seen some of toe most brilliant men in the country discarded from the national councils, simply, or chiefly, on account of their exhibition of a want of "backbone," and others, on the other hand, elevated to high positions of honor and influence, who, though deficient in mind and learning, could be rel ed upon to sustain the right in every exigency, without fear of personal consequences. How often have constituencies been betrayed by able but timorous representatives! How frequently have vicious measures been inflicted upon the country, which might have been defeated by the manly action of those who quietly looked on while the wrong was being committed! Who does not remember how repeatedly, for a considerable time before the Rebellion broke out, the people of the free States were humiliated by the timeserving cowardice of some of those who were sent to represent them in Congress? It is possible, even at this late date, to recall the names of some Northern talkers who were scared out of all the sense they ever possessed by the loud-mouthed threats of a few Southern fire-eaters to dissolve the Union-as if it were true then any more than now that this great Confederacy exists at the mere mercy of a score or so of noisy demagogues, instead of drawing its strength from the very life-blood of the people! Of what importance is it, therefore, to the people, that a man has a sagacious mind and an eloquent tongue, it, when the crisis of a vital issue arrives, he can be trightened into silence, or bullied into casting a vote against his conscience and the well-known opinions of his constituents?

These reflections have special application to the present time. At no period of our national history was pure moral courage more needed in those who are entrusted with the administration of the Government. We say true courage, because there is a wide difference between that resolution which adheres to an opinion deliberately formed and conscientiously held, and the stupid obstinacy which will stick to any view or purpose once adopted and avowed, even though it has been clearly shown to be unsound or inexpedient. We are really sorry to see the President and Congress seriously differing on certain impertant questions of national policy, and sincerely trust that all their disagreements may be satisfactorily composed. That result, however, cannot reasonably be hoped for, if the public press of the country and the people, violently take sides in the controversy. and encourage the Legislative and Executive branches of the Government in a mere struggle of contumaciousness, in which true principles of policy and the obvious interests of the nation are to be sacrificed to blind jealousy and stubborn pride of opinion. The only wise and patriotic course to be pursued in such a case, is to exercise mutual respect and forbearance, to revise and compare conflicting views, and endeavor, in a sincere spirit of devotion to public welfare, to reach conclusions upon which all may cordially unite. And all that this will require, is a manly disposition to do what is clearly right, regardless of all inferior motives or considerations.

-The citizens of Asitfield, Mass., are about to erect a granite monument to the memory of the soldiers from that town who died during the war. One side of the monument will contain the names of the fallen, and the other will contain a basin into which water will be brought for the benefit of thirsty travellers.

THE REASON WHY .- "Cornelius O'Dowd" is a model Englishman—egotistical and insolent, belleving himself witty when he is really only impertment, and attempting sarcasm when his only forte is abuse. He has for many months been exercising the British mind on the subject of "Men, Women, and Things in General," through the columns of Blackwood's Magazine. The most recent piece of his impertinence is "On Mexico." We quote his remarks for the benefit of all who desire to see the most refreshing coolness, the most perfect sang froid of unmitigated insolence:-

"The Americans will not willingly quarrel with France; they have the reluctance that a snob has to break off acquaintance with the only gentleman that has ever bewed to him. It is no tear of France; they neither dread her army nor her navy. It is simply the dislike to be out off by the great nation of Europe. If the French Emperor was really sincere about the establishment of a Mexican empire, why did he select a cultivated, polished gen leman, lond of retirement, deeple versed in interactive, and a lover of the arts? Why did he not look out for some bold brigand of Calabria-a devout Papist, and ar unscrupulous assassia; one who could have brought to the country of his adoption bigotry and the knire? Capriano La Gala or Ningo Pance, when elevated above the petty necessities of providing for their daily support, would have made a famous figure amongst these Indians and half-castes—these 'Leperos,' and outcasts of all civilization. That MAXIMILIAN knows nothing of the necessities of his position is clear enough. Instead of talking to sheep people about the benefits of education and the advantages of enlightened government, he should have bribed JUAREZ into submission, bought up all the malcontents of the nation, made the poschers all gamek epers, and, in a lew years, he would have been at the head of a party strong enough to bully the rest, and unscrupulous enough to rule the country with that amount of decision and firmness that inspires confidence at home and procures a loan abroad. If he wishes to hear more on this subject, a line addressed to 'Cornell a O Dowd' will ment prompt attention. The strictest secrecy observed. I engage to do everything but go out there.

Here there is a new, and, we are asssured a true reason why America does not wish to quarrel with France. We do not wish "to be cut by the great nation of Europe." We are "the snob, and do not wish to break off acquaintance with a gentleman." We are glad that even British insolence could not say the same with regard to our friendship for England. It is evident that "Mr. O'Dowd." wao is currently reported to be CHABLES LEVER, has a deep penetration, a power of examining national character. He does away with that delusion so popular in all foreign lands, that of all the contumacious, proud, and unbearable people, the Americans are the most so. We have a reputation for delighting to quarrel with any Lord, and of putting our feet on a level with the head of any Duke in Christendom. Hereafter, let that slander cease. "O'Dowd" says we cultitivate the acquaintance of gentlemen, and that we are snobs. We call attention to the modest conclusion of the extract, which savors of the well-bred man of the world so much more than it does of the conceited fop. which rumor represents to be the type of a British nobleman.

DEATH OF AN OLD PHILADELPHIA MER-CHANT-News of the death of SAMUEL COMLY. Esq , has reached this city. Mr. Comly was one of our oldest merchants, and at one time exercised a controlling influence in mercantile circles. He commenced business in Philadelphia in the early part of the present century, and by indomitable perseverance and energy amassed a large fortune. At the breaking out of the war of 1812 he was in England, negotiating for the purchase of goods. The sudden breaking out of hostilities between the two countries made it impossible for him to return, and he remained in England during the war. Upon his return to this country he established the auction house of COMLY & TEVIS, and engaged largely in the shipping business. He was one of the original founders of the Philadelphia Exchange, and for many years President of the Southwark Bank. He, later in life, established a branch house in New Orleans, which resulted most disastrously, and in the end, proved ruinous. Mr. Comly showed that he was a werehant of entire integrity, by passing over his entire property for the benefit of his creditors; and such was his skill as a business man that he was able to pay a large percentage of his indebtedness. For the past few years he has been engaged in business in New York, and died in Brooklyn on Sunday last.

THE WORK BEFORE THEM.-When HENRY WARD BEECHER advised the captors of Charleston "to plough up the city and sow it with school books," he gave them the cue to the mighty task which is needed to secure the regeneration of the South. The work before the schoolmaster is a gigantic one. He must open the gates closed by slavery, and break down the bars erected to keep in bondage those to whom the light of education would be the signal for claiming their rights. But in addition to the whole mass of the freedmen, there remain a vast crowd of those who, though free, are yet untatored. The damaging effect of slavery upon the ruling class itself is best shown by the ratio of the number who cannot read or write in the free and the late slaveholding States. Out of every hundred persons over twenty years of age we find this ratio to be, in-

Fennsylvania, New York, Lihnois, Iowa, Minne-Tucky. 7
Virginia and Tenuessee. 9
North Carolina and Dela ware. 12

From this it will be seen that in the Southern States the average number of the ignorant varies from over twice to about four times the number in the free Scates. The task of the schoolmaster is to make all equally intelligent, and raise not only the standard of the South, but also the standard of the Northern States. Truly, to do his work he must "plough up the soil and sow it with school-

WE UNDERSTAND that the statement published in one of the Sunday papers that at the regular meeting of the Copperhead Club, WILLIAM B. REED proposed the toast, "JEFFERSON DAVIS, the greatest statesman in America," is literally true. To the credit of Mr. JOSIAH RANDALL, be it said, that he has since resigned from an organization so openly traitorous. It is quite true that the people know that the serpent of treason has only been wounded by the blows it has received, and that it is now reviving. Let it be known in the canvass about to be opened, that at an assemblage of leading Democrats, ti e health of the arch traitor was drunk, and but one member of the club had the loyalty and the daring to break loose from his connection with such associates. We say, let this fact be remembered when the Gubernatorial contest comes off in October next. It stands upon the record, and no loyal resolutions or boasted Union doctrines will wipe

A New English Aggression .- The literary raternity of the United States have long been cognizant of the total mefficiency and insufficiency of our native expressed literature to supply the wants of the people. This is not the result of a want of writers or persons of talent who desire to write, but is wholly due to the scarcity and high price of materials for printing and publishing books, magazines, and newspapers. These rates rule so high now that a magazine printed and published in London can be sold as cheap (and with a much more attractive list of contents) as a magazine of the same size can be published in this country. Thus the most attractive London periodical-London Society - has reached a very large circulation in and about this citysome two thousand copies-while other magazines and newspapers of English manufacture have respectable circulations. Among these wa might name Temple Bar, Cornhill, St. James', London Illustrated News, Punch, Fun, All the Year hound, Once-a-Week, Cassell's Family Paper, etc. For the first time in the history of our city we observe an English poster-bill. beautifully printed in colors, pasted on all the dead walls and corners, announcing the excellencies of the new and very ably conducted London periodical called The Argosy. While we admire enterprise, even of foreign birth, we must confess that it is very unpleasant to observe these signs of the dead-and-alive nature of our publishers and titerati. It is true that the taxes on paper, materials, manufacture, and publication are all gricvously heavy, but still we think a renewed effort on the part of our publishers might give us nearly enough choice American literature to satisfy the public taste

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THE QUAKER FATHERS."—PHILADFLPHIA, February 19, 1886.

To Henny Petenson, Esq.—As the Lecture recently delivered before the Historical Society of Fennsylvania, entitled. The Quaker Fathers," treats of subjects calculated to interest deeply every Pennsylvanian, and make him feel a just pride in the early history of his native state we would request that it be repeated at some suitable time and place
Very respectfully,
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GENTLEMEN:—It will afford me great pleasure repeat my Lecture on 'The Quaker Fa hers'
I confess to iceling no small amount of admiration fo the founders of Penusylvania. They sought the shore of the New World to secure their civil and religious freedom; and what taey sought for themselves they were desirous that others also shou'd enjoy.

In my opinion Penusylvania has suffered from the want of a reasonable and natural State pride—using the term is its high and generous sense; and I have endeavored to show how far the founders of this state were in advance of the rest of the world in the past, in the belief that the neunors of such a glorious record cannot be otherwise than enmobiling to the men of the present.

Wery respectfully.

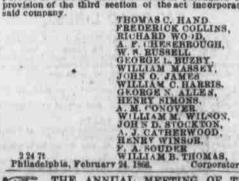
The Lecture will be delivered on MONDAY EVEN ING. March 5tz, at ONCERT HALL, beginning precisely at quarter before eight o'clock. Tickets admitting a gentleman and lady, price fifty cents can be obtained at McAllister's No. 728 themms street; Parrish's, No. 800 Arch street; T B. Pugh's, Sixth and Chesnut stree St. U. Hunt & Sons', No. 63 & Foerth street; and at the door on the evening of the Lecture.

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Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the Stockhoders of the Philadelphia and Southern Mail Steamship Company will be held at the Rosins of the Board of Trade, on MONDAY, March 5th 1865, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 3 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing seven Directors, in pursuance of a provision of the third section of the act incorporating said company.

THOMAS C. HAND



THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the ASHBURTON COAL COMPANY, for the election of Five Directors for the ensuing year, and the transaction of general business, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 22 PINE Street, Hoom No. 10, New York, on the 10th day of March next, at 12 noon, and at the Continental Hotal, corner of NINTH and CHESNUT Streets, Philadelphia, on the lith day of March next, at 2 P. M.

2 24 14t CHARLES A. BERRIAN, Secretary. DR. L. D. HABLOW HAS REMOVED to No. 1520 ARCH Street. 227 64\*

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TO THE FIREMEN .- THE UNDERsigned avail themselves of the ear last opposes nity to publicly express their streets thanks for the noble and untiring efforts of the Fireness of Philischiphia to preserve our property during the terrible configuration with which we were visited iast evening. In the creat comission with which we were surrounded it woned be impossible for us to individualize these most deserving where all labored so devotedly, and who were so ably and advantageously directed by Chief Lyle.

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