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The Republican Party the Party of the Constitution.

THE future historian who shall truthfully write the record of our times, will accord to the Republican party the honor of having been the champion of both liberty and law. And in no part of the history of that great party will he find this characteristic more strikingly illustrated than in its centest with President Johnson. Comprehensively viewed, that contest has been none other on the part of the Republicans than an endeavor to preserve the vital and distinguishing element of the Constitution.

The American political system is founded upon the principle that all rightful governmental power resides in the people, and is to wielded by them. Their will, formally and lerly expressed, constitutes law, and there is no human law besides that. This system was intended to be exactly the antipodes of all those systems which recognize the will of some single man, or of some favored order of men, as constituting law. It is not pretended, and never has been, that the people always act in the wisest or best possible manner, or that in some instances an absolute ruler might not rule wisely and well. But we have concluded to take the risks of allowing the people to rule. That is our system.

In carrying out this fundamental principle of popular rule in the actual framework of our political structure, we have divided the Government into three parts-the law-making, the law-expounding, and the law-executingor, Congress, the Judiciary, and the President. The most important of these, as is necessary and proper, is the law-making branch. There is where the chief function of rule resides. Law must be made before it can be expounded or executed. And as the immediate and direct representative of the sovereign and ultimate power, the people, Congress is made supreme over the other branches of the Government. Both the Exécutive and the Judiciary are responsible to Congress for the faithful performance of their duties. For any dereliction they may be impeached and removed, and there is no appeal from the judgment rendered. Congress, on the other hand, is responsible to no earthly power except the people, who create it and whose representative it is. Nor is there any danger in this, for if Congress does wrong the people have a quick and certain remedy in their own hands.

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Now it is apparent that the vital principle of our system, that is, the will of the people, aust necessarily be liable to danger mainly from those two branches of the Government which are alien to the law-making power. Congress has no incentive to violate that principle, because by the system it is itself the law-making branch. Its power in that direction is supreme. Its only method of usurpation would be by refusing to return to the ranks of the people, and making itself a permanent body. Even in the case of unconstitutional legislation, the people at once have the power to apply the remedy by electing different Representatives. But with the Executive the case is different. He is under the constant temptation to step outside of his proper sphere, and to attempt to give his own will the force of law. His position, as the Chief Executive officer of the Government, with his thousands of subordinates scattered all over the country, is one of great power. Power begets the desire for power. An arbitrary, self-willed, or ambitious Executive, with views of his own to further, policies of his own to carry out, may easily, in his intercourse with Congress itself, exercise an influence upon the law-making branch 9 a lovernment utterly beyond anything by the Constitution, and totally spirit of our institutions. "his kind is, so far as it Every deprintion a the will of the Execu-

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within his reach. His official power and patronage have been freely summoned to his ald. He has vetoed measure after measure of Congress, even when passed by a two-thirds vote -a proceeding which he himself is upon record as denouncing as a violation of the spirit of the Constitution. He has not hesitated to stigmatize Congress itself as " a body hanging on the verge of the Government," and to attempt to control its action by denouncing it before the people. His attempt to create State Governments in the late Rebel States was an attempt to exercise the highest functions of the law-making power ; and his effort to give them validity as members of the Union was an effort to settle the terms of reconstruction after his own will. His last movement is an attempt to substitute his own "opinion," put into the mouth of a facile agent, for a solemn act of Congress. He does not propose to execute the law as it is, but as he would like it to be.

Now in all this there is an attack upon the fundamental principle of our entire political system, more open, deliberate, and persistent than anything heretofore attempted in this country. It is the premeditated and persevering attempt of one man to make his will the law. It is an attack upon the Constitution of the most flagrant character. It strikes at its very essence. It touches our political system in its vital point. Mr. Johnson's triumph in this wicked contest would go far to unsettle the foundations of our political structure. It would be a victory of the one-man power over the popular power more dangerous than secession itself, for secession is nothing but open revolution, while this would be a change in the system from popular to despotic rule.

Mr. Johnson prates of his devotion to the Constitution, but he either fails totally to comprehend the spirit of the Constitution, or else he is its conscious and bitter enemy. In either case, he is doing all that he can to sap its foundations and to destroy its superstructure. The Republican party in this great fight is not only the party of liberal principles and intelligent progress, but it is even more emphatically the party of the Constitution. It seeks to preserve our political system in its purity as a system of popular rule, opposed to all despotic or aristocratic rule. It is thus at the same time truly conservative and truly progressive-the party of liberty and the party of law.

Will He Resign?

THAT Frederick A. Van Cleve has no right to the position of City Solicitor must appear clear to every sane man who has taken the trouble to form a disinterested opinion. The law on the subject is so distinct that he who runs can read. S D R A

By the act of February 2, 1854, consolidating the city of Philadelphia, it is provided that no member of Councils, during the term for which he shall be elected, shall "hold any office or employment herein created or provided for, of a municipal character;" and by act of March, 1863, it is further provided that 'no member of Conneils of said city shall be eligible to any office, employment, or agency, directly or indirectly, chosen by Councils or by either branch of them, during the term for which he shall have been elected to Councils." Now the object of such a provision is unmistakable. It is to prevent the creation of any new office by vote of Councils, in order that one of the members of their body should hold it. It is to prevent citizens securing a seat in either chamber merely to use the influence of their position to gain a lucrative office. Now both these ends would be defeated were it lawful for a member to vote to create an office, and then, by resigning, become eligible to it himself. The same care is noticeable in the Constitution of the United States. No member of Congress can be given an official position during the two years of his term, the emoluments whereof have been increased during his term. A Congressman can take any other office by resigning his seat, but he is not allowed for his entire term to accept of any office whose salary has been raised during his term.

President's speech at Baltimore recalls to u vividly the admirable oration of the immorta Wilkins Micawber, on the occasion of h reunion with his family and reconciliation with Mrs. Micawber. Mr. Johnson was fondl beaming on all those who were within th reach of his smiles. Seward for optimism wa nowhere. According to the President, every thing North and South is lovely. He said :-

"The other day, in connection with my dis guished associates, I visited the State which gave me birth, and a few days after my return to Washington, in company with the same as sociates, I set out on a visit to one of the cities i the far East; and permit me to say that my re-ception, both North and South, has been of the obaracter which inducates to me of the character which indicates to me an era of good-fellowship and reconciliation between th two sections of the Union. Thank God it is a Now that the era of good-will has commence let us forgive one another, in the spirit charity, in order to a closer fellowship."

Pecksniff beaming at the potato on h knee, and Micawber rejoicing when som thing turned up, are but feeble compared wit the Presidential benediction. His whole or tion was on the "Bless-you-my-children-b happy" order, and proves that June is a bett month for travelling than August. All th would be very pleasant if it was true, but seems that all the good-will is on the side the North, for the South, while she may po sess fraternal affection, only exhibits it murdering or exiling her Union residents. "She may have been right in concealing h

But why did she kick me down stalrs?"

THE COPPERHEAD papers are denounci General Sheridan for disobeying the order the President, construing his letter to Gener Grant as a disobedience of orders. But th General was not requested to execute th order if he had good reasons to the co trary. When a commander gives a subording a discretionary order, he merely expresses wish that the thing should be done in a certa contingency, but, at the same time, leaves th execution of it to the discretion of the office under the supposition that, being on the groun he can act more judiciously than his superia thousand miles away. This was the positi of the President. He gave General Sheridan discretionary order. General Sheridan did n see fit to obey it unless it was made absolut as he happened to have "good reasons to th contrary." We now see that the President d make it absolute, and that General Sherida did obey it.

OUT WEST, where they never do things halves, the Copperhead papers call Sheridan "little drunken apstart" for daring to have an opinions adverse to those of Mr. Johnson.

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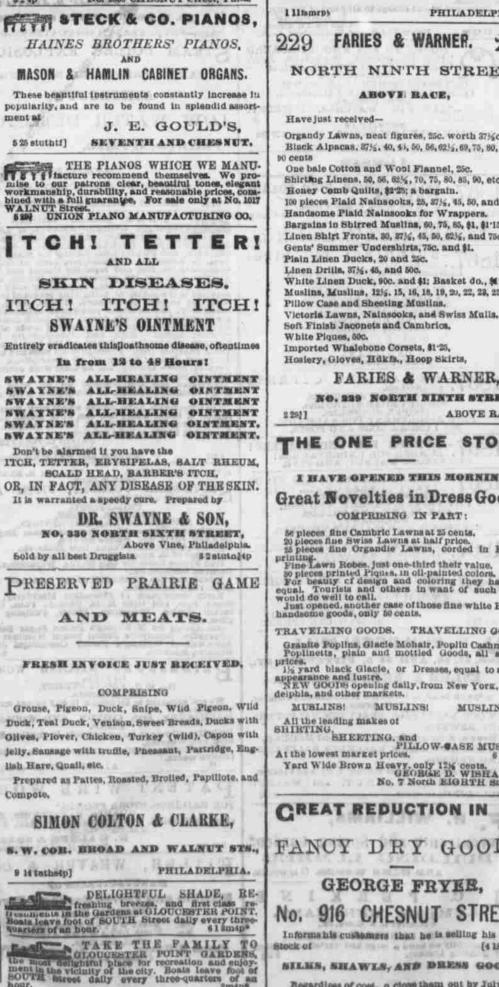
powers down to the present time, he has been engaged in constant struggle to make his will the law of the land. He has not been contented to perform his duties simply as an excontive," but he has had a "policy" which he desired to see dominant in the Government. In attempting to carry his ends, he has resorted to every possible means

The object in both cases is evidently the same. Yet with these clear and undeniable facts of law staring them in the face, six members of the Committee on Law held Van Cleve to be eligible to the effice of City Solicitor. The following is the vote of the Committee upon the question:-

For Mr. Van Cleve, and believing him eligible -Messre Charles M. Wagner, Samuel G. King, Samuel W. Cattell, John L. Shoemaker, Robert M. Evans and William Stokes. Those holding conurary opinions were Messrs. James Page, Charles Thompson Jones, A.L. Hodgdon, George J. Hetzell, Alexander J. Harper, and William E. Lidtleton. E. Littleton.

We would like to ask those half-adozen how they can possibly reconcile their judgment and their common sense ? We deem that these gentlemen have made a very egregious error, one which some of them ought to rectify. We would ask Mr. R. M. Evans, a member who has originated numerous needed reforms, and who is the author of several measures tending largely to promote the public good, whether, as a representative of the people, he does not feel in duty bound to cleanse his hands of all this matter, by bringing the matter once more before Councils, and seeking to reach a legal remedy ? He can do so if he desires. He voted with the majority, and can move a reconsideration. It is clearly his duty to bring the question to a settlement, not through personal feeling, but from a desire to see the law vindicated

Under any circumstances, we are at a loss to see how Mr. Van Cleve can retain his position with any self-respect. We suppose he knows enough of law to feel sure that he is not legally entitled to the position. It is clearly proper for him to resign, and thus escape the odium of holding an office through evasion of the law. Will he do so, or will he continue to hold on until he is ejected by the courts?



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