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MONDAY, FRBRUARY 22, 1869.

Washington's Birthday.

The anniversary of the birth of Washington was ushered in, according to custom, by the rumbling of cannon and the ringing of bells. During the day the public offices and banks are closed, bunting is liberally displayed, the veterans of 1812 are holding their customary meeting and passing their usual string of resolutions, some of the beneficial societies are parading the streets, and that is about all. It is not that we are growing lukewarm in our appreciation of the inestimable services ren dered to the nation by him who was "first in peace, first in war, and first in the hearts of his countrymen." The name of Washington is still held in as high reverence by the mass of the American people as at any period in our history. But we have seen, during late years, so much of the pemp and pageantry of war, that the mockery of an army with banners has lost the charm it formerly possessed, and a celebration of the Twenty-second of February after the fashion of a half century ago is therefore quite out of the question. In this and several other States, however, the day has recently been made a legal holiday, and thus the people have imparted to it the highest mark of their gratitude.

In this city, the arrival of the anniversary is associated with an unusual occurrence. Right years ago this day, Abraham Lincoln. then on his way to the national capital to assume the duties of the high office to which he had been elected by the people of the United States, with his own hands raised the flag, which treason had attempted to dishonor, over the Hall in which the representatives of the colonies had signed the solemn sot declaring these colonies a free and sovereign nation. This 22d of February was a memorable day in the history of Philadelphia, one which her citizens will not soon forget. On that occasion Mr. Lincoln defined clearly the platform on which he stood, that of equal and impartial justice to all men, and then proclaimed his readiness to yield up his life rather than surrender these principles. Before he was permitted to serve out the full time for which the people demanded his services at the head of the nation, this great Bacrifice was demanded at his hands, and now he lives in history as the one to whom, next to Washington, the thanks of the republic are due, and will be gratefully tendered till the republic ceases to hold a place among the nations of the earth.

Political and Social Equality.

Norming is better defined in this country than the difference between political and social equality. The laws can properly be invoked to secure the former; but in the regulation of social intercourse it is best for all parties that the largest liberty should prevail, so that the instinctive aversions and affinities arising from a thousand varied causes may have free scope. Social harmony can only be attained by a common agreement to disagree, and a systematic avoidance of irritating and annoying contact.

The training of the American people has admirably qualified them for the difficult task of combining heartily with a portion of their fellow-citizens for one purpose, and yet at the same time assuming an attitude of hostility or indifference to the same set of men in other relations. As voters, or as church members or in business connections, thousands of individuals habitually cooperate, with great zeal and earnestness, with thousands of other individuals with whom they could not maintain cordial social relations; and any earnest attempt to enforce a uniform contact would only lead to continued strife and difficulty, if not to a total disruption of the natural points of assimilation.

The millionaire and the day-laborer may heartily and sincerely greet each other, as they march together in a political procession, or join in a common hurrah for their favorite candidate, or stand in the same line on election day; but it would not be agreeable to either party to attend a social assemblage at the house of the other, and it would be the height of absurdity to pretend that unison of political feeling should necessarily lead to an exchange of visits between their families.

The numerous differences between men of the same race are greatly increased by complications caused by color or extraction. The Democratic party used this fact as an argument against the abolition of slavery, and subsequently employed it to prevent the extension of the right of suffrage to colored men. Their standing appeal was typified by the favorite inscription on their banners: - "We don't want our daughters to marry niggers." Silly as this device may be deemed, it has proved no idle task to combat it; and the only safe or just course for the Republican party is to make the distinction between political and social equality so elear that every rational mind can comprehend it.

Harebrained reformers, or reckless zealots, who profess Republican principles, but do the party infinitely more harm than good, frequently endeavor to confound political rights with social privileges, and wittingly or unwittingly they thus render effective assistance to the Democratic efforts to convert social prejudices or antipathies into insurmountable barriers to the political enfranchisement of the "American citizens of African descent."

Some enterprising individual of this description has "improved the occasion" of the forthcoming Inauguration Ball at Washington. A letter has been written to Mayor Bowen, chairman of the Committee of Igvitation, asking whether "any distinction on account of color is to be made in the sale of tickets?"-to which that magnate replies that the question of color has never risen in the committee, and he cannot of course decide for them, but that so far as his individual action is concerned, he is willing to sell tickets to "any person of respectable character and standing in the community."

Nothing can be more unimportant, per se, than the attendance at this ball, and the American people might be equally content whether it is never held, or whether it is composed exclusively of white persons or of black persons. But the correspondence indicates that a scheme is on foot to indirectly commit the Republican party to the doctrine that social equality is a necessary sequence of political equality, and to make it appear that Republican Senators and Representatives, with their wives, sons, and daughters, voluntarily mingle in the mazes of the waltz with ebony beaux and belles, in the eyes of the whole nation, because such association is a legitimate result of their political principles.

We protest alike against any such conclusion and against any scheme which gives the unscrupulous organs of the Democratic party a plausible pretext for impressing such ideas upon their bigoted readers. Sensible negroes should, for the welfare of their race, avoid helping to frame arguments for their adversaries, even if a few white men, pretending to be their friends, are foolish enough to urge them to display their toilettes and their terpsichorean accomplishments in the company of the magnates of the land.

Every step of Republican progress has been won by a hard fight against social prejudices, which have no just or logical connection with political affairs, and every movement which tends to render the Republican party responsible for the doctrines of the few miscegenationists who belong to that organization gives "aid and comfort" to the Democracy, and increases the difficulty of securing the recognition of the political rights of the colored

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