

A FEW PLAIN THOUGHTS.
From the accession of Mr. Jefferson to power in 1801 until the advent of Mr. Lincoln in 1861, the Government was conducted on Democratic principles. There were, it is true, at long intervals, men belonging to other political organizations chosen; but after they were installed in office, they found it impracticable to carry on their administrations upon the narrow and contracted views of the faction accidentally in power. This was the case with John Quincy Adams and John Tyler—two of the ablest and noblest spirits of the age. It was the policy of the President, the present incumbent of the Presidency, to appear to every one, and to every one, such as the fact, prejudicial to such is not the fact.

This being the case, then, let us study the history of the Republic for the sixty long years above referred to. Can we find anywhere, in any age of the world, or in any nation, a parallel to the happiness and prosperity of the American people? Crime was almost unknown, and the taxes were so light as to be scarcely felt by the people. And by way of contrast, can we find such wretchedness anywhere as follow of the overthrow of the Democratic party in 1860? It is literally true, and so impartial history will read, that the immense national debt which we are staggering, the whole cost of a gigantic war through which we have passed, its vast slaughter of men and destruction of property, and the enormous taxation entailed upon us and our children for generations to come, are the returns the people have received for their misplaced confidence in the Abolition party.

If the Abolitionists had not obtained control of the Government, it is admitted that there would have been no war—no slaughtering of tens of thousands of men, no destruction of thousands of millions of property, and no weight of taxation that will for long years cripple the industry of the Nation and reduce to serfdom the laboring classes. The Abolition party cannot shift the responsibility on the Democratic party. The representatives of the Democratic party in Congress voted for every proposition for a compromise—voted for the resolutions which the late Senators Douglas and Crittenden declared would result in a "just and honorable settlement of our national difficulties"—and the representatives of the Abolition party voted against and defeated them, and loudly cried for the shedding of blood.

These are all facts which cannot be controverted, and the only hope for the nation, the only security for the future, is in the restoration of the Democratic party to power. The Government of this country never has been, and what is more, never will be, successfully administered upon any other than the Democratic theory. Other parties have tried a different theory and failed, and the Abolition party of the present day will be the most complete failure of them all. Its leaders are fanatic—extravagant and mischievous, inconsistent, extravagant and mischievous, and so long as they hold the reins of power the prosperity of the country will be made to suffer, and decay and death to our political institutions will be the final and inevitable result.—*Lancaster Intelligencer.*

The Southern States claimed, and the North denied, the right of secession. Both believed they were right, and appealed to the arbitration of war. The North conquered. The South accepted the result, and then did not maintain that which they had not made out of the Union, are, out of it—*New York Times, (Republican).*

The above puts the whole thing in the space of a nut-shell. All the inflammatory speeches which Disunion Congressmen can make, will fail to blind the eyes of the people to the true question. If the Southern States are not out of the Union, they are in it; and if in it the nature of the Government, as well as the plain letter of the Constitution, gives them a right to a proportionate share in the legislation. To deny them this right, would involve us in the same political crime of which Great Britain was guilty towards the Colonies, and which eventuated in American Independence.

THE INSURANCE.
The losses of vital importance than any hitherto submitted to the American people, and to be passed upon in the approaching elections, are in substance about as follows:
1. Shall the Union be restored upon the basis recommended by Presidents Lincoln and Johnson?
2. Will the American people claim the right to tax elements which are debauchered representation in Congress?
3. Shall the Constitution of our Fathers be frittered away and rendered worthless in order to keep in the Southern States from any and all of the rights enjoyed by the other States of the Union, in order simply that the Republican party may be kept in power?
4. Shall the Government be administered upon the principles of the Constitution, or upon the platform of whatever party may chance to be in power?
5. Shall universal suffrage be extended to the negro?
6. Shall we adhere as a people to the Government established by our Forefathers, or shall we submit to a central one, military and despotic, such as this Congress are laboring to establish?

THE RAILWAY.—The Day Express Train on this Railway has been recently furnished with a new set of Coaches, Smoking and Baggage Cars, which are said to be ahead of anything heretofore in use. These coaches were built at the Company's shops, 67 feet long, supported on six-wheeled trucks, and will seat comfortably 50 passengers. They have been fitted up with regard to expense, and the latest improvements in the improvement in the form of the back like an easy chair, is a very desirable one; while special pains have been taken to give ample room for the limbs and support for the feet. Miller's Platform, with his patent self-coupler buffer, has also been adopted, by which the platform is brought close together, thereby avoiding the jolting and rattling usually experienced at a stopping place and forming a perfectly smooth and safe passage way from one coach to another. This kind of platform, being a continuation of, and on a direct line with the rails of the coaches, prevents the possibility of any coach telescoping, as it is termed, into another, in case of collision or accident of any kind.

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