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The Duty of the Hour.

We heartily endorse the wisdom and good sense of the following from the Philadelphia Press of Tuesday. President Arthur deserves the confidence and support of the people. If he proves himself unworthy, it will then be time to condemn or censure. Let us hope he may take up the administration where the lamented Garfield left it, and pursue the same wise policy which his predecessor had mapped out. If he does, all will go well. He will be honored, the country will prosper and the Republican party strengthened.

We have lost James A. Garfield, but we have still a President. Chester A. Arthur is now President Arthur and it is the plain duty of all good citizen to give him their well wishes and support. He enters upon the duties of his office under circumstances so painful and peculiar that every step must be attended with embarrassment and difficulty unless the people recognize their duty and give him the assistance of a generous confidence. His course since the fatal day on which the late President was stricken down has been such as to command the admiration of even his enemies. An ordinary sense of justice will suggest to fair-minded men of every party and faction to suspend judgment until they have something to judge. The same votes that made Garfield President made Arthur his legitimate successor and he should be made to feel that he has the same constituency behind him ready to hold up his hands and strengthen his purpose.

Unfavorable reports of the President's condition have heretofore been attended by fluctuations in the stock market. It is therefore probable that the news of today will operate sufficiently on the fears of the credulous to cause more or less of a decline in stock quotations. As there is no reason for this at all the market will speedily recover. The death of President Garfield will bring grief and disappointment to every household in the land but it can in no way affect the material interests of the country. Everything will continue to move on as smoothly as before. There will be as much to sell as there was to buy to-day as yesterday. The business of the country does not hinge on the life or death of any one man. Congress can affect it, but the President in this respect can directly do but little. The Secretary of the Treasury is the repository of whatever power the Administration possesses over the course of business, and there is no reason to apprehend any change in the present Treasury policy. While we deplore the occasion which has called General Arthur to the Presidency, there is no occasion for alarm in business or for distrust of the new President. While the nation mourns her loss she can still look forward with unabated confidence to her future.

A justice-of-the-peace down in Schuylkill county, has been distinguishing himself. He keeps a tavern in the same building as his temple of justice, no doubt arguing, and with reason, that the two businesses are not incompatible, since the one furnishes him with "cases" for the other. One day recently an old customer applied to him in his character as a tavern-keeper, for a drink on credit. He refused to give it, whereupon the insulted would-be drinker denounced him as a mean man. The tavern keeper, as such, made no response to this abuse but but having metamorphosed himself into a justice-of-the-peace he issued a warrant for the arrest of his indignant customer, and committed him to jail for "contempt." Everybody in the neighborhood has now committed the same offence, and the whole town is liable to arrest.

"Individuals may wear for a time the glory of our institutions, but they carry it not to the grave with them. Like raindrops from heaven, they may pass through the circle of the shining bow and

add to its lustre, but when they have sunk in the earth again the proud arch still spans the sky and shines gloriously on."—James A. Garfield.

The case of Marvin the bigamist came up in court at Richmond, Monday, and was sent to the grand jury on the charges of forgery. The prisoner's identity was established. He will have a hearing to-day on the charges of bigamy.

A London dispatch says that the project to establish a German university in America has collapsed.

Business all over the country was suspended Thursday, on account of the death of the President.

One hundred and sixteen Russian Jews embarked at Antwerp, Saturday for New York.

THE AUTOPSY.

The Surgeons Deceived!

The Ball Passes through the Spinal Column—The Supposed Track an Abscess—No Abscesses Found on the Lungs—Death Was Inevitable.

ELBERON, Sept. 20.—The following official bulletin was prepared at eleven o'clock to night, by the surgeons who have been in attendance on the late President:

By previous arrangement a post mortem examination of the body of President Garfield was made this afternoon, in the presence and with the assistance of Drs. Hamilton, Agnew, Bliss, Barnes, Woodward, Reyburn, Andrew H. Smith, of Elberon, and Acting Assistant Surgeon D. S. Lamb, of the Army Medical Museum, Washington. The operation was performed by Dr. Lamb.

THE BALL.

It was found that the ball, after fracturing the right eleventh rib, had passed through the spinal canal, fracturing the body of the first lumbar vertebra, driving a number of small fragments of bone into the adjacent soft parts, and lodging just below the pancreas about two inches and a half to the left of the spine and behind the peritoneum, where it had become completely encysted.

THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF DEATH

was a secondary hemorrhage from one of the mesenteric arteries adjoining the track of the ball, the blood rupturing the peritoneum and nearly a pint escaping into the abdominal cavity. This hemorrhage is believed to have been the cause of the severe pain in the lower part of the chest complained of just before death.

AN ABSCESS CAVITY

six inches by four in dimensions, was found in the vicinity of the gall and bladder between the liver and transverse colon, which were strongly interadherent. It did not involve the substance of the liver and no communication was found between it and the wound. The long suppurated channel extended from the external wound between the right groin. This channel, now known to be due to the burrowing of pus from the wound, was supposed during life to have been the track of the ball.

On the examination of the organs of the chest, evidence of severe bronchitis were found on both sides with bronchopneumonia of the lower portion of the right lung and though to a much less extent, of the left.

THE LUNGS CONTAIN NO ABSCESSSES

and the heart no clots. The liver was enlarged and fatty, but free from abscesses, nor were any found in any other organ except the left kidney, which contained near its surface a small abscess about a third of an inch in diameter. In reviewing the history of the case in connection with the autopsy, it is quite evident that the different suppurating surfaces and especially the fractured spongy tissue of the vertebrae, furnish a sufficient explanation of the septic condition which existed.

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