A PICKWICKIAN DISCLAIMER.

There was an intimation in your last number that the present administration was going to be the beginning of the end of the world. For a moment the thought flashed across my mind that God himself was taking the matter into his hands, and that the end of the world was perhaps only a few minutes away, when I suddenly remembered that the end of the world is always several years away, and that there is no reason why we should not look forward to it with the same hope and confidence that we now look forward to our annual vacation.

The President has just returned from a tour of inspection to the Pacific Coast, and he brought with him a report that the country was doing well. He said that the people were satisfied, and that he had never known a time when the country was in better shape.

I have no doubt that the President is right, and that the country is in better shape than it has ever been before. But I cannot help feeling that there is something wrong, and that the country is not as healthy as it should be.

In the first place, the President says that the people are satisfied. But I have always been of the opinion that the people are never satisfied, and that they are always looking for something better. In the second place, the President says that the country is in better shape than ever before. But I have always been of the opinion that the country is always in better shape than it was the year before.

I think that the President is right, and that the country is in better shape than ever before. But I cannot help feeling that there is something wrong, and that the country is not as healthy as it should be.

I am therefore taking the matter into my own hands, and I am going to make an investigation of the country, and to discover what is the matter with it.

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