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PROPER GOVERNMENT.

True and proper government must be conducted by honest men, otherwise it is a failure, no matter the name it bears, the flag it flies, or the principles it declares. Principles are laid down or enunciated by the wise in order that there shall be honest government and liberal government, and parties form only as different theorists to the consumation of this much, and their successes are less in proportion as thieves assume the leadership of them. This is a fact, of which there is conclusive evidence in the history of every political party since the formation of the government. The cry for honest men in office and the late efforts of political trimmers to shape party nominations to catch favor with the populace proves this. Just imagine what a government this would be if all men adhered to the old and once popular cry of "principles not men," and should vote into the offices of national, State and county governments a set of political plunderers without honor and noted simply for itching palms, just because this set "belonged to the party!" With proof of this much easily obtained and with every argument against it, why is it partizans offer as an excuse for following party blindly that party is everything, and honesty nothing? Do many such know what is meant by "principles not men?" Honesty is a principle, without which the world is a gathering of rogues. And though Jefferson's declaration has been used to hold parties together by interested leaders who have interstedly claimed that party is infallible and its principles eternal, can any one believe that Jefferson ever intended that party discipline should be carried to that extent that honesty was not a principle, and that he ever thought for a single moment that any righteous principle, political or otherwise, would find favor in the eyes of any thief? No sensible man now thinks Jefferson argued anything of the kind—and Jefferson was so great he never could have intended any such thing; in fact, he believed that the government would be honestly conducted by honest men, and all things even on this imprtant point, the question with him was which set of political principles would best promote the interests of the government if supported. This settled, he held—and rightly too—no man's personal feelings or private spite, should prevent him from voting for the nominee of party whose principles of government he held to be right. But Jefferson demanded none but honest men should be placed in nomination for office. This was his first principle, and if it was adopted, he held there was no use for the others. In this much Independents believe as did Jefferson, and also to the effect. that they have "equal rights" with all political managers, to say whom they shall or shall not vote for, and a right to oppose dishonest men and measures, as well as they have right to believe as did Abraham Lincoln, who once spoke to the same point as did Jefferson.

Last Sunday Rev. Knight, of Salem, devoted an entire sermon to Gov. Thayer because the latter did not put God's name in his last proclamation. What is the use of poking up the Governor in that way? Let the poor man play the conversative's part in such matters if he so desires. He may be in doubt as to which place he will eventually go to.

The item of honey is now added to California's already large list of exports to Europe, a ship which recently cleared for Liverpool taking out 87½ tons, valued at $13,069.

A LITTLE HASTY.

There are persons who rush into print to seek notoriety, and for the satisfaction that is afforded them in the fact that the rules of the art require the writer's name shall be printed in capital letters, and their names thus made prominent. We do not say this of Justice Hursh, but then we cannot help thinking his "explanation" might have been made to us with better taste than where he placed it, and that he might have sought to do justice to himself otherwise than through a newspaper controversy by which the public is to gain but little from either side. Had we done him injustice, and he had informed us of the fact, we should have willingly have made the *amende honorable*. As the matter now stands, we are left no other recourse but "an explanation," also setting forth the reasons for our criticisms of his conduct in the case of inquest. We do not propose in what we say to be understood as forgetful of the "dignity of the court," nor as beyond the limits prescribed to a fair answer.

Our chief cause of complaint in the premises was that the man was hurriedly buried. What was our opinion then remains unchanged now. As to the burial, it is true the man died at 7 o'clock in the morning. It is true it was after 10 o'clock before the "coroner" had finished his work. It is also true that *most* corpses are allowed to rest over night following the death. This one was buried *in the night of the same day*. There was a good coffin furnished by the undertaker. After the body was placed therein and the lid screwed down, it is reasonable to believe the body would have remained safe until the morning after the inquest, when many would have attended the funeral—*in daylight*. There would have been no extra rent charge for the room in which the corpse was placed had it remained until next morning. Why was this not done? Why was it that the hearse with the corpse left town about four o'clock in the evening—near the time of sunset—and did not return until after dark? Two hours sooner, or the next day, many who knew the deceased would have shown that much of a Christian spirit as to follow the remains to the grave, and there is not a minister in the town who would have refused to read the burial service had the request been made, free of charge. There was no such request made. Two men alone went to his grave, the hearse driver and and the gentleman who contracted to perform the burial—and the poor unfortuante was shoved into the grave in the dusk of the evening.

We are not a Justice of the Peace or a lawyer, and we have never acted as coroner; but it seems that if the law authorizes this much the law is heartless. If the tax-payers of the county ask that an official shall be so economical as to refuse a poor, unfortunate man a Christian burial they lack the natural feelings or sympathies of human beings. If the first is not true the coroner failed to do in the case in question what sometime a warm-hearted coroner might perform for him or some of his friends in the event misfortune overtook them or him, and he or they died in poor Austins circumstances.

One of Justice Hursh's points in his 'explanation" is as follows;

> If it showed haste, then why did not the philanthropic editors see that some one would take charge of him who was willing to risk his health in assuming the responsibility.

There is no phyiscian in the town who will say that Austin's disease was contagious, or that any one's health would have been endangered if they had watched over night with the remains. Such talk to the contrary is nonsense. As to the "philanthropic editors" taking charge of the remains, we always thought it was the duty of the coroner to do this much. If we had ever read Blackstone perhaps we would have known our duty in this premises with this regard, and not have made the mistake we did.

A man named Moore, in Portland, wrote Mrs. Backenstos some questionable letters. Backenstos objected. Moore said he would do so no more, but went to visit Mrs. B. some more. B. became enraged, and fired his pistol twice, shooting Moore once in each shoulder, and Moore is likely to soon be spoken of as no more. B. is in durance vile.

PEN AND SCISSORS.

It now begins to look very probable that Grant will be nominated by the Republicans for President in 1880.

Again Congress is in session. Soon we will be treated by the telegraph with column after column of legislative chin music.

The joint shrinkage in the Sierra Nevada and Union Consolidated is placed at $12,000,000. This loss is large enough to make many poor people.

Governor Fremont, of Arizona, in his report to the Secretary of the Interior, expresses the opinion that the control of the Indians there should be transferred to the military.

Somebody has carried a report to Washington that Mr. Potter remarked recently that he was disgusted with the mud-digging business, and had felt all the time as if he were treading on rotten eggs.

The Salt Lake *Tribune* says We predict that the Mormon leaders are going to have a new revelation to stop polygamy, just long enough to bamboozle Congress and get Utah admitted as a State.

The legislative investigating committee is still at work in Salem. Shortly it will visit Union county to examine the books of the State land office there. The committee will make its final report in about twenty days.

The use of the ferule having been prohibited in the Galveston, (Tex.,) schools, one of the teachers, Mrs. Garland, has brought a bad boy to terms with a dose of castor oil, which he abominates above all things; his parents complained to the school board in consequence, and the board wants the woman to take out a patent on her invention.

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