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"I WOULD RATHER BE RICHT THAN BE PRESIDENT"--Henry Clay.

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For the Sentinel.

"But of this be assured, that whoever is King I shall be Vicar of Bray, sir."—*The Trimmer.*

"Better to reign in Hell, than serve in Heaven."—*Satan.*

In one of the old thirteen States there lived a very small man with a very large ambition.—This ambition assumed the form of a strong assurance that he was born to be great—in short that the Fates had ordained that he was to be a live Governor. This was laughed at by the people, and regarded as only a harmless hallucination, which hurt nobody, while it greatly delighted the small man with the large ambition. His absurd claim was first urged at a gathering of the people at the city of Charlotte, who were assembled there to select from among the statesmen their best man to rule.—They did not, of course, select the small man with the big ambition, and sent him home growling and with a large flea in his ear. This defeat threw him into a tempest of passion, and he vow was then for war. He determined to raise an horrible tempest throughout the dominion, hoping that, in the hurly-burly, he might rise among other light things to the surface, and thus realize his large ambition. The war came, but not his turn to be Governor. No matter, he could afford to bide his time. He felt satisfied he was to live to be a Governor—and a Governor he was obliged to be—before long.—That man from the mountains might have it Statehood. People would make the most of it.—He felt certain it was surely to be the small man with the big ambition. He would wait patiently. So he fitted into the man Zebulon, who, he felt sure, could beat him 10,000, if not more. The result was not quite what Governor Zebulon beat him some 35,000.

[illegible] with smaller ambition [illegible] a scoundrelly [illegible] So no sooner with him [illegible] himself born to [illegible] the Democracy. He had only to [illegible] tactics, narrow his coat, enlarge his [illegible] and go it again. He saw [illegible] the Quakers and cried loudly for peace. He [illegible] peace was the word. Athletic men took to the bushes to avoid the [illegible] Democrats came home [illegible] That also was peace. The Democrats cheered great and small from the small man with the large ambition. They were of a kidney—all slept together and consoled each other most tenderly. [illegible] and prayed together, but very seldom [illegible] Time passed on, and the party was [illegible] with the small man with the large ambition. They were a kidney—all slept together and consoled each other most tenderly. [illegible] and prayed together, but very seldom [illegible] Time passed on, and the party was [illegible] "At peace, peace, and keep a peace." At last [illegible] all men, the Democrats Governor [illegible] not satisfied [illegible] the people, and then—[illegible] the people, and then—[illegible] the people, and then—[