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COMMUNICATIONS.

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POLITICAL MONOMANIA.

In one of the public journals, there lately appeared a well written essay, in regard to the unfortunate and most disgraceful propensity and practice of lying; which for some time past has manifestly governed the organs, orators and active agents of the Federal party.

This is certainly a charitable view of the case, and might be considered the more just but for their course and conduct shown in the political party history of the day exhibited in the newspapers; which has been seen by all who were in the habit of reading these journals, and is not therefore to be considered the mere empty assertion of any individual.

Witness the charge of excessive expenditure upon the President, as if he could pass appropriation laws. In this case they are shown by public documents and the journals of Congress to be quite as deep in the guilt, if guilt there be, as their opponents in Congress, where alone the fault lies.

The charge against the Editors of the Globe, of the offer of a bribe to obtain the printing by indirection, while the fact had been perpetrated, and attempted to be repeated by those making the charge and

their friends. Charges against the higher executive officers of plundering the treasury, while by improper legislation they were heaping the public money on their favorites in the shape of jobs for printing a parcel of useless trash.

Could there be any thing more base than making Van Buren responsible for the purchase of a parcel of old trumpery of furniture purchased for the President's house during Monroe's and other Administrations? Trying to make the public believe that he could take what money he pleased from the treasury to spend in such things, when they knew the contrary; or if they knew no better, were in either case unworthy of credit, or of their places.

One uniform long standing falsehood of that party for effect, is the cry of ruin, ruin, corruption, misgovernment. Is the country ruined, or has it been? Is there any other on the earth as prosperous as this has been, during all this cry and clangor? Have not the corruption and frauds as far as shown, been on their own side? Ought not the plunder of the stationary of Congress and franking their political pamphlets filled with many of their known fabrications and slanders, (such as have been shown,) as public documents, to be punished? Are not all these, matters now of public notoriety? No intelligent man of even their own party, if honest will deny them.

In ages past, the grand imposture in connexion with civil government was a hierarchical aristocracy, a priesthood allowed to tax and deceive the people under a pretence that they knew more of the will of God than others, and had mystic commissions to apply or use it.

For centuries this abuse of real religion and sound morality existed in the form of mystic intercession and promises of heavenly happiness by those who had no power to give it in exchange for wealth, ease, and luxury, wrung from others by acting upon their credulity.

In all ages the ingenuity of the unprincipled has found the means through the bonst credulity of man to trample upon his political and civil liberty. In this country the struggle is now going on between the many and the few, on the one side to abuse and on the other to defend human liberty and social well being.

To get wealth and place if they are able with grace, but if not, by any means to have wealth and place. Peaceably, if they can—forcibly, if they must—by cheating at the ballot box or with broad seals, or if they fail that way, by war and revolution.

Another portion of the credit system of former times was, the divine right of kings and rulers. The credulity of the people was taxed to believe, that the right of governing was delegated direct from God to some individual as weak and as mortal as any one else; instead of the more correct democratic doctrine, that the people should choose their agents instead of receiving masters.

These men claim all the wealth, all the talents, and all the decency. They seem certainly by their frauds and plundering to have strong desire for all the wealth, and in their method of procuring it their talents are not denied; for a talent for dishonesty, swindling, and falsehood, they are utterly unrivalled.

They ask you to have generous confidence in this Jack of all sides, or of no side, or of any side, as the case may require, as shown by his own language in letters and speeches, while he has not the confidence in you to say what he is, but you must take him upon trust. They require you to consider him a Jeffersonian Republican, when he has been proven by his own cotemporaries and intimate acquaintances, to have been a black cockade John Adams federalist.

ist; and still is known to be in favor of their favorite measures.

Verily, verily, if you believe all this, your faith must be much greater than a grain of mustard seed. Supposing their conduct in the last war forgotten, they ask the people to believe that they are good Jeffersonian democrats, of the old republican faith, and that the republicans are the old federalists of the Hartford Convention stamp. This fraud, however, has been exposed by Green & Hallett, of Boston, which exposition may be seen in the 13th number of the Extra Globe; and shows who, and by name what the old Hartford Convention federalists were then, and still believed to be, traitors to their country. This exposition ought to be read by all honest men of all parties. It is not to be supposed but there are many in the opposition who wish well to their country, let such examine well their position,—let them read the exposition and reflect upon the general course of their party; if so, they will no longer be of them.

There is nothing but voting them down can prevent this. Let that party gain the ascendant at the coming elections, and nothing short of a miracle can preserve our republican institutions from ruin. Independent of the insatiable maw of the monied power it ought to be known to every American that there is and always has been a large portion of the federal party, feeling a decided preference for British interests and the British government, to those of their own country.

People of old honest North Carolina! People of the United States of America! Are you so soon tired of being free? Are you so in love with your own ruin? Will you be slaves? This you must, you will be, if you do not avoid this gulf of perdition which yawns to swallow you!