

SOME SOUND POLITICAL ADVICE.

We do not presume to advise our readers as to how they should vote, that is, as to the person for whom they should vote, or the party with which they should be affiliated. We have no hesitation in discussing at the proper time the underlying principles of government, but the particular method of applying these principles in either case is the job of the reader and not ours. For this he is responsible and not we. None the less we think we are competent, from long observation and a good deal of experience in dealing with men, to make some suggestions that will add to the peace of mind of our readers and contribute to the public welfare. This advice will be mainly in the form of "don'ts."

Don't believe a word you hear or read reflecting on the private life of any candidate from the president down. The story may possibly be true; but there is a strong possibility that ninety-nine times out of a hundred it is a lie put out solely for the purpose of defeating him, and you don't have the time to investigate. We have made it a rule for nearly forty years to treat as a falsehood every story affecting the private life of a candidate, that was started during a campaign; and we don't believe we ever made a mistake in this.

Don't try to convince any man whose mind is evidently made up on any political subject. Whether he is right or wrong, he is affected so far as you are concerned with hardness of heart; and the more you argue with him, the more hard-hearted he becomes. Just save your breath. If he insists on convincing you, and your heart is practically as hard as his, turn the subject to the fall seeding of alfalfa or clover, or the value of sweet clover as a pasture plant, or the probable price of corn this fall, or the price of feeding steers. If he insists that the nomination of "Dear Will" was stolen, let him think so. If he insists that the future of the nation rests with "Dear Theodore," let him think so. If he insists that Woodrow is the perfect flower of modern civilization, let him continue to so think. It will do him good to develop an ideal. You cannot convince any of these men unless you speak in parables, as Jesus did when His enemies had made up their minds that He was in league with Beelzebub; and even then you may fail. If you get mad in arguing with those whose minds are made up they will believe you are in league with a political Beelzebub.

Don't imagine that the country is going to the bow-wows if your candidate is not elected. These cyclonic political storms, sometimes with tornado effects in their action, will sweep over the political waters. A good deal of damage will be done to some political reputations; there may be some wreckage; but the outcome will be a better citizenship. The Mississippi Valley is watered by cyclonic action. Without these great circular atmospheric movements, which pump water from the Gulf and distribute it over the land, it would be a desert. Storms always do more or less damage, whether on land or sea; but the final result, alike on land and sea, is blessing. So it is in politics. After the storm the grass will grow, the birds sing, the corn shed its pollen on the silk, the valleys wave with grain and the cattle fatten on a thousand hills, no matter who is elected. The Lord reigns and makes even the political wrath of man to praise Him.

Don't alienate your friends because you differ with them in politics. There is particular danger of this now, when political parties are being rent asunder and realignment is under way. What makes a man worthy to be your friend is not his opinion on the tariff or on reciprocity, or the

integrity of Taft or Roosevelt or Wilson, but his honesty, his integrity; not his head power mainly, but his heart power; his sterling manhood. We have had no trouble in finding such friends among standpatters, among progressives, among Democrats, among Socialists so-called, among Catholics, among Protestants, and among men who affiliated with no church. We plead with the Democrats not to lose confidence in his Democratic friend who cannot see his way clear to vote for Woodrow; and with the Republican not to lose confidence in his old-time Republican friend who thinks it his duty to stand by "my dear Will," or the one who feels he must support "my dear Theodore." Friendship is too sacred a thing to be sacrificed for a difference of political opinion.

Don't imagine that this campaign will usher in the political millennium. It is, after all, only a skirmish in the age-long warfare between right and wrong, in which good men often get on the side which they think for a time is right, but which in the end proves to be wrong, themselves being the judges; and in which bad men sometimes get on the right for the time being, and bring the cause into disrepute. There will be wrongs to right after November and after other Novembers for hundreds of years, even until the end of time.

Therefore, don't waste your breath. You know it will be wasted, if you but stop to think. Don't lose confidence in your friends who do not see it as you do. Make up your mind conscientiously where your duty lies, and do it "with malice toward none and charity toward all."—Wallaces' Farmer.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Whereas, God, in His infinite wisdom, has taken from our midst Bros. George F. Lucas and James F. Moore, two of our most worthy and influential members, being earnest advocates and strong promoters of the cause of the Farmers' Union; and,

Whereas, in their deaths Cedar Dale Union, No. 1750, Currie, N. C., is sadly stricken by the absence of their familiar faces, they having been prompt in attendance and their voices no longer heard proclaiming the great principles of the Order; and,

Whereas, a feeling of profound sadness overshadows our entire community by the loss of these two noble citizens, who fought for right, and were ever found in the foremost phalanx fighting for the betterment of mankind; and,

Whereas, in their deaths the church sustains a loss of two faithful and leading members, always prompt and earnest advocates of the cause of religion, their walks of life reflecting an assurance of their faith in God; therefore, be it—

Resolved 1. That by their loss our Local is visibly affected.

2. That we tender to their relatives and loved ones our deepest sympathy, praying that God's presence may ever abide with them.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to their families, a copy to The Carolina Union Farmer for publication, and a copy be spread on the records of our Local.

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