



### On Foreseeing the Downfall of America

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My up-town friends occasionally pass on bits about Lord Macauley; Lord Macauley said this or Lord Macauley said that. And, unlettered scrub that I am, I accept such references as wisdom personified. I do because Macauley — what I have seen of his stuff — makes sense to me.

For instance, a doctor friend — as his contribution towards the polishing of a rube — recently gave me a copy of a letter Macauley (1800-1859) wrote two years before his death. It was to a New Yorker named H. E. Randell. And I was glad to get it.

Mr. Randell, it seems, accepted Thomas Jefferson's liberal dogma as Holy Writ, and, in an earlier letter, had faulted Macauley for not doing the same. Macauley told him.

"You are surprised to learn," His Nibs wrote, "that I have not a high opinion of Mr. Jefferson, and I am surprised at your surprise. I am certain that I never wrote a line . . . indicating an opinion (such as Jefferson held — Ed.) that the supreme authority of a state ought to be intrusted to the majority of citizens. . . (In other words, to the poorest and most ignorant part of society.

"(Rather), I have long been convinced that institutions purely democratic must, sooner or later, destroy liberty or civilization, or both."

What if England were ever so foolish as to adopt the democracy, one-man-one-vote?

"I have not the slightest doubt either the poor would plunder the rich and civilization would perish, or order and prosperity would be seved by a strong military government — and liberty would perish.

"You may think that your

country enjoys an exemption from these evils. I will frankly own to you that I am of a very different opinion. Your fate I believe to be settled, though it is deferred by a physical cause.

"As long as you have a boundless extent of fertile and unoccupied land your laboring population will be far more at ease than the laboring population of the Old World and while that is the case the Jefferson politics may continue to exist without causing any fatal calamity.

"But the time will come when New York will be as thickly populated as Old England . . . Then your institutions will be fairly brought to test . . . (That test) will come when multitudes of (your) people choose a legis-

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### WHAT IS THE ANSWER?

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Q: Dr. Garrett, my sociology professor keeps bugging me with two statements. He says we must integrate in order to know the Negro. That's one and the other is a twist of the same. He says we must learn to live with Negroes, now that we have embraced the one-big-happy-family idea. What do you say to that?

A: What you might suppose. I say both statements are equalitarian propaganda and are specious as arguments for racial integration. Few people have, or ever will have, other than slight contact with Negroes. Respect and courtesy are all that can be expected of us, all that we should aspire to. "Brotherhood," to paraphrase Al Smith, is baloney.

lature . . .  
"Is it possible to doubt what sort of legislature will be chosen? On one side (will be) a statesman teaching patience, respect for vested rights, strict observance of public faith. On the other (will be) a demagogue ranting about the tyranny of capitalists and usurists, and asking why anybody should be permitted . . . to ride in a carriage while thousands of honest folks are in want of necessities.

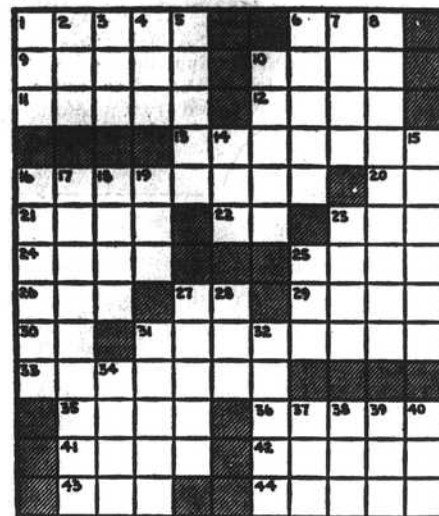
"Which of the two candidates is the likely to be preferred. . . ? Mind you, this was written in 1857.

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- ACROSS**  
1. Lathers  
6. Residue  
9. Whole  
10. Amazon whale  
11. — Davis, actress  
12. "Old Curiosity Shop" child (abbr.)  
13. Forage plant  
16. More terrifying  
20. For instance (abbr.)  
21. Impetuous  
22. Hesitation sound  
23. Equal  
24. Unctuous  
25. Immense  
26. Made in  
27. Exclamation  
29. — of Pines  
30. Compass point  
31. Made level  
33. Repeating  
35. Troubles  
36. Man's nickname  
41. Flower  
42. Mistake  
43. Old —  
44. Feel
- DOWN**  
1. Underwater craft  
2. — and all  
3. Behave  
4. Place  
5. Pilfer  
6. Close to (poetic)  
7. Window ledge  
8. U.S. gold coin  
10. Imply  
14. Prevaricate  
15. Consented  
16. Grumble  
17. Cause trouble (2 wds.)  
18. — de Pascua  
19. Timid  
23. Aggressiveness  
25. Strike  
27. Wrong  
28. Endearment term  
31. — geometry  
32. Eyes  
34. Employ  
37. Mineral rock

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38. "Ode on a Grecian —"  
39. Cyclades island  
40. Before



" . . . (W)hen society has entered on this downward progress," Macauley concluded, "either civilization or liberty must perish. Either some Caesar or Napoleon will sieze the reins of government . . . or your republic will be fearfully plundered by barbarians in the Twentieth Century as the Roman Empire was in the Fifth, with this difference: The Huns and vandals who ravaged the Roman Empire

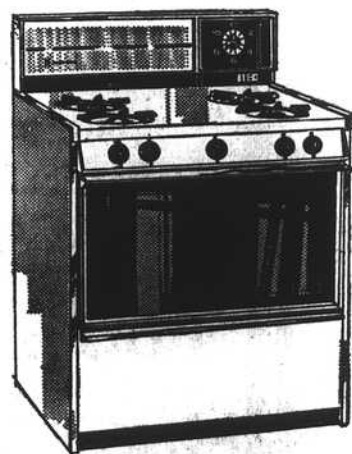
came from without, and that your Huns and vandals will have been engendered within your own country by your own institutions. Thinking thus, of course, I cannot reckon Jefferson among the benefactors of mankind."

Nor me either. No liberty or no civilization, that's our choice. Some future, this — thanks to you one-man-one-vote liberals. you and your lop-headed carping of democracy.

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