

ment. The SOVEREIGN WILL reposes essentially with the people.

All the sage calculations of political writers abroad, respecting the permanency of the political institutions of this country, have proved fallacious. It was pronounced impossible, and it looked improbable, that distinct authorities, as the states were, on the one hand, and the general government on the other, could continue to move on harmoniously, where their powers and provinces seemed so intimately entangled. Professors of the old school politics gaze on the progressing experiment with perfect astonishment. All their theories are contradicted by facts. They look around for new principles whereby to account for the phenomonon by which distinct, and in some cases, contrary powers are made to act harmoniously together. The secret is gradually disclosed—it is but one sovereign power, that is, THE PEOPLE, that controls, moves, and models the whole machinery to subserve their own interest. In their hands, the general and the state governments are alike but instruments, worked and fashioned at their pleasure, for the public good.