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POLITICAL ADDRESS OF THE PEOPLE OF MARYLAND, TO THE ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION...

Unfortunately for Mr. Clay's reputation, a correspondence between himself and Mr. Blair of Kentucky, between Messrs. Blair, Crittenden and White, confirms the charge which is here denied. Mr. Clay refused to publish his letters to Mr. Blair, but gave his consent that they should be placed in the hands of his political friends in Frankfort, Kentucky, by whom they were sent to Mr. Kendall the editor of the Kentucky Argus. That gentleman's letter to Mr. Clay speaks of them as follows: "Let the date be recollected—It is the 8th of January, 1825. You come upon a work by Lord Byron which you say you have sent him—(I presume.) You then get into the subject of the presidential election, and say, that they, yet none of these works embrace what may be termed its Domestic Internal Political History.

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formed on the subject, every circumstance tended to rivet on my mind the impression, that the people of Kentucky, and particularly of my district, looked forward to the advancement of Mr. Clay's future success with a more intense interest than to the success of either of the candidates then before the House of Representatives, and whatever might have been my own inclinations and preferences on the occasion, I felt that I was bound by a duty paramount to all others, which was to give the vote according to the will of a majority of my immediate constituents. Mr. Clay's promotion out of the way, it is not probable that Mr. Adams would have got the suffrages of the State of Kentucky in Congress, neither would I have been advised to support Mr. Adams, with a view to Mr. Clay's preferment. I would not have voted for the present incumbent, under any other circumstances than those which I had reason to believe would have met the approbation of the people.

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those measures. We shall be able to decide, by the following extracts how faithfully Mr. Adams has adhered to the promise by which he ascended to power. In the National Journal of the 10th of August 1824, are these authoritative declarations: "If Mr. Adams should be elected, we think we may safely affirm our belief, that he will conscientiously and firmly do all that it may be proper for him to do, to secure the election of the President in the hands of the People." "If Mr. Clay should be elected, he and his friends would be bound by a regard for consistency, if by no political considerations, to pursue the same course. We sincerely believe that an election by the People, in the next possible mode, that could be devised by those whose object was to devise the best, would be infinitely preferable to the best possible mode of electing a President, in which Congress or the State Legislatures have any concern."

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On another occasion (August 19th.) we have this strong denunciation of conduct, since vindicated by the same authority—"When the voice of the people is proclaimed, the representative, if he be true to his trust, is bound to respond to that voice, and give it its full effect; if he do not, he no longer represents the people, but is an aristocrat and usurper." And again, (November 18.) "Is the public servant under no obligation to respect the will of his constituents? Can it be doubted that those who have thus usurped and trampled on the rights of the people, would, were it in their power, put down the Sovereignty of the people and confederate with the Holy Alliance, to maintain their usurpation?" Such are the unsparing terms in which Mr. Adams, through his semi-official organ, unwittingly denounced, by anticipation, the means by which he has usurped and trampled on the rights of the people. These are not our words—"out of his own mouth we condemn him." To show the strong and decided opinion formerly entertained of the district system, we quote from the Journal of 20th November: "Let the right of choice be given directly to the people, in districts, there can be then no caviling about what is, and what is not, the will of the people, and above all, let the mode of election, wherever it be, be uniform throughout the United States. It is thus only that the rights of the majority can be properly secured."

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Pennsylvania. Yes—Messrs. Addams, Buchanan, Edwards, Findlay, Harris, Hemphill, Ingham, Kremer, Lawrence, Markley, Mitchell, McKean, Orr, Plumer, Stewart, Stevenson, Thompson, J. Wilson, H. Wilson, Wolf and Wurts. Nays—Mr. Miner. Maryland. Yes—Messrs. Barney, Kerr, Little, Mitchell, Peter and Worthington. Nays—None. Virginia. Yes—Messrs. Alexander, Armstrong, Barbour, Bassett, Davenport, Pettit, Claiborne, Johnson, Mercer, McCoy, Powell, Rives, Smith, Tallaferrro, Taylor, Trezvant, Stevenson and Crump. Nays—Mr. Newton. North Carolina. Yes—Messrs. Alston, Carson, Edwards, Conner, Hines, Holmes, Long, Mangum, McNeil, Sawyer, Saunders and Williams. Nays—Mr. Bryen. South Carolina. Yes—Messrs. Carter, Gist, Gorman, Hamilton, McDuffie, Tucker, Wilson, and Drayton. Nays—None. Georgia. Yes—Messrs. Carey, Haynes, Merriweather, Tattall and Thompson. Nays—Mr. Forsyth. Kentucky. Yes—Messrs. Buckner, Henry J. Johnson, F. Johnson, Leecombe, Letcher, Moore, Metcalfe, Trimble, Young, and Wickliffe. Nays—Mr. Clarke. Tennessee. Yes—Messrs. Alexander, Allen, Blair, Cucke, Isaacs, Marable, Mitchell, Houston and Polk. Nays—None. Ohio. Yes—Messrs. Campbell, Findlay, McLean, Thompson, Wilson & Woods. Nays—Messrs. Bartley, Beecher, Bradley, Stone, Vinton, Whittlesey, Vance and Wright. Louisiana. Yes—Messrs. Brent, Gurley and Livingston. Nays—None. Indiana. Yes—Messrs. Jennings, Boone and Test. Nays—None. Mississippi. No Representative. Illinois. Yes—Mr. Cook. Nays—None. Alabama. Yes—Messrs. Moore and Owen. Nays—None. Missouri. Yes—Mr. J. Scott. Nays—None.

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on, inseparable from all free government, and which he therefore hoped never to see departed from in practice under our form. While, then, he had a seat on this floor, it was his constituents, or what were the evidences of his constituents, that he should know it." Vide National Intelligencer, January 28, 1817. 10. Extract from a circular published at Washington, by the friends of Mr. Clay in Congress, May 25, 1824. "If contrary to all probability, Mr. Clay should not be returned to the House, his friends, having done their duty, will be able by concentration to controul the event—they hold in their hands the balance—they will determine between the opposing and conflicting interests." Extract from a Circular Address of a Committee of Correspondence appointed by Mr. Clay's friends in the Legislature of Kentucky: "And let them (the people) remember that, after the choice of electors once takes place, their voice will no more be heard in this contest. All will be carried by influence and intrigue, bargain and management." He who has the most extensive means of influence, and will promise the most favours, will have the prospect of success; and the nation will receive the President, not from the pure hands of the people, but from a club of political managers and intriguers." The same committee proceed to say, "If he (Mr. Clay) be returned to the House of Representatives, we have little doubt of his final election!" 11. At the late election of President, in the House of Representatives, the votes of Delaware, Illinois, Missouri, and Mississippi, and the casting vote of the great state of New York, and of Maryland, were held by individuals; so that six individuals had the disposal of the votes of six states, which is one quarter of the whole number. The representative—we should say, the member, who held the vote of Missouri, Mr. Scott, gave it against the will of his constituents, and they turned him out at the next election; but Mr. Adams rewarded him by a lucrative appointment. The member, who held the vote of Illinois, Daniel P. Cook, voted against the will of the people and they turned him out also—but he was recompensed by Mr. Adams, by a secret mission to Cuba. The casting vote of Kentucky was given by FRANCIS JOHNSON and DAVID FRANKLIN against the will of their constituents, and at the next election, turned them out. If the votes of these three states, which were known before the election to prefer Gen. Jackson to Mr. Adams, and which have since, by their vote, at the last Congressional election, proved it, had been given according to the will of the people, Mr. Adams could not have been elected. Three being taken from Mr. Adams, and given to Gen. Jackson would have made having ten votes. And it is well known that when the friends of Mr. Adams, North Carolina, Virginia, and Delaware, had found his election hopeless, that the Representatives of at least three of those States—Georgia, North Carolina, and Delaware, would have taken Gen. Jackson as their second choice, which would have given him a majority of the States; and it is well known that Col. MITCHELL, of this state, who voted for Mr. Adams, under a pledge to his constituents, has declared that for Gen. JACKSON and thus have increased the majority by the vote of Maryland.

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9. Mr. Clay, in a speech delivered in Congress on the 14th January 1817, on the repeal of the famous Compensation Law, asserts the doctrine of obedience to the will of the Representatives, to the will of their constituents, in the following language, equally broad and strong: Mr. Clay said—"He agreed perfectly in the sentiment, that instructions, given by the people are obligatory on the Representative. This was a principle, consecrated by the Revolution,