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MILLS & CLEVELAND.

## The Feliciana Democrat.

### A British Ally for the Know Nothings

The London Times devotes a solemn leader to the new combination of Know Nothings. It patronises them with elephantine grace. No such good news as the organization of this party has been received from this side of the Atlantic in many a day. Nothing could be more acceptable. It is a sign of the decay of an enlightened public opinion in the United States; a sign all the more welcome because it comes at a period when the old systems of Europe are themselves falling to pieces, with nothing to save them unless republicanism is proved to be a folly or a fraud. Hence the cordial sympathy of the London Times for the know nothings. The secrecy of the conspiracy is its first charm. Secrecy is the soul of absolute power. Secrecy makes despotism invincible to oppress and to destroy. From secrecy spring a brood of bloody and inhuman expedients. The *coup d'etat* was conceived in secret. The order to muzzle the press was conceived in secret. It is in the secret recesses of consulting ministers and trembling kings that rights are denied to the struggling masses of the Old World, and, denied, too, at the point of the bayonet. England's long career of aggression upon other nations—her seizure of territory not her own—her interference in the affairs of the distant and the unprotected—is a result of clandestine maneuvers. In the Island of Cuba, among the horrid rites by which despotism avenges itself upon those who long for deliverance, secrecy is first. The private trial—the inquisitorial examination—the midnight sentence—the unheralded death!—these are the appropriate results of that fell science of espionage, by which the whispered thought is treasured up for the bitter day; the half-breathed hope for rescue written in the book of doom; and the purest and best condemned to die while living in the observance of all their obligations to God and man. It is, indeed, a most propitious thing for the haters of free institutions, when in a land of light and of liberty, of public discussions and equal laws, of popular suffrage and universal education, secrecy is relied upon to make a party powerful for evil. Such a spectacle is worthy of the imperial approval of the London Times.

Again, the know nothings are entitled to English patronage, because they are governed as with a rod of iron, by a chosen few. This monarchical principle is faithfully copied by the secret party. The decree of a small body of leaders, chosen to dictate to those below them, and empowered to demand full obedience, is as faithfully observe by their oath-bound followers as the mandates of the crown and the ministry are sustained and venerated in the Old World. Take the conference at Vienna, where the few chosen agents of a few rulers chosen, as they vainly believe, by the voice of God to govern the human race—and how many millions of lives may depend upon the decision of four or five weak and worn-out old courtiers! Do these half dozen diplomats care for the poor, down-trodden masses? Do they argue and contend for popular rights? Do they plead for the lightening of the burdens of the heavy laden? Alas! no. It is for the few they toil—for their hereditary masters and mistresses; and if they fail to agree, those who would not be benefited by their concurrence will be marshalled anew in the array of battle, and fill the earth and startle heaven with their groans and their sufferings for their royal rulers. These are the men who claim to be booted and spurred, to ride rough-shod, by the grace of God, over the necks of the people; and of such are the triumphs of the rule of the few.

But the London Times may well "hark on" the know nothing movement for another reason. The all-pervading equality among the different religious sects in this happy country has been a living and constant reproach upon the cause of Church and State in the European nations. While religion is there a matter of statue—a part of the Government—and while the people are there forced to worship their Maker after a prescribed fashion, or are compelled to aid in the support of a belief they do not endorse; here there is a patriotic union and sympathy between men of differing creeds, that constitute one of the glories and the wonders of our age, and that, thus far, have kept intolerance boldly at bay.—Human reason, groping through centuries for the grand secret of combining men in one political union, and yet allowing them to seek Heaven each in his own way, seems to have been successful at last, and successful, too, in a land won by virtue and valor from the grim-spoilers and man-haters of other days. It is this spectacle which

sears the eye-balls of the masters of Europe! With what joy, then have they seen this noble prospect suddenly covered with gloom? How the London Times can now exult at the spectacle of a great people calling aloud as it were, for the accursed demons of proscription and intolerance, and invoking the aid of those vile passions which cover more than half the world with religious intolerance and political darkness? Already can we hear the monarchist, who believes in Churches and State as a chief essential of civilized government, turning to those who practice in the light of our experience and declaring: "Behold your exemplar!—See how the Catholics are truded in the United States, the seat of exclusive democracy and liberalism! See how they are disfranchised—how they are insulted—how they are trampled under foot! When they vote they cannot hold office, and when they hold office they are ejected. Is not this, after all, a noble vindication of English policy; for who can doubt that America will find her true refuge from all such danger in the capacious bosom of an established church?"

Emigration to the United States has long been a difficult problem to the European governments. At first they were eager to part with their surplus population. More recently, however, it appears that emigration to this country not only adds and strengthens us, but gradually weakens and impoverishes them. Every day returns to the Old World those ungrateful trophies of experience in the New World, which tell the oppressed what a refuge is opened to them here. For the first time, Great Britain, when she turns to her people for aid in her struggles with other powers, finds that they do not and cannot respond. Emigration has decimated her resources, and much that was left has been wasted by misgovernment and discontent. She cannot fill her thinning ranks with English hearts, and she sends to other lands to beg and buy her troops. Such are some of the teachings of experience; and such some of the causes why England is glad to find so strong an ally in her hostility to emigration as those who declare that only "Americans shall rule America."

It is amusing however to see a journal like the London Times echoing the know nothing cry against the "old leaders." The war recently opened by that print upon the leaders in Great Britain was a war upon notorious "incapables;" not so much, indeed upon those who were old as upon those who were incompetent, untrustworthy, and unfit. The Times assailed the scions of the nobility, the sons of aristocratic families, and the exclusive spirit that shuts out the middling classes. "The cool shade of aristocracy," said the Times, "is over all." But what possible similarity is there between the so-called old leaders of the democratic party in the United States, against whom the Times and the know nothings have united, and the padded peers, popinjay ministers, coxcomb statesmen, and perfumed heroes, that are fastened like so many leeches upon the people of England? There is scarcely a leading intellect in the democratic party of this country who has not carved out his own destiny, and who has not risen to distinction by the display of those commanding talents and that executive ability which, as all past and present experience shows, have established the democratic party as the only party fitted to govern this country according to the true principles of the constitution. That the London Times should hate these leading minds in natural.—They are the men who have resisted foreign aggression, who have sustained the nation's honor at all hazard, who have never in the darkest hour quailed before any exigency in which sound principles were imperilled and involved, and who have contended against fanaticism of every hue, from the abolition spirit that assails our Union from Exeter Hall to the intolerance that gathers vengeance from the bloody records of European proscription. We can readily imagine the anxiety of the Times to see these "old leaders" put down; but what a dishonorable and mean-spirited spectacle it is to see that great paper denouncing the "incapables" that crush and mislead the English people, and at the same time asking elevation to station of the know nothings who are, indeed, the "incapables" of the United States? Even if we give it credit for sincerity in its demand for real talent in Great Britain, what must the just render think of its clamors for mediocrity, ignorance and inexperience in the councils of the United States? Could more hostility go any further?

The Times is, moreover, grossly mistaken in supposing that know nothingism has ignored abolitionism or anti-slavery. On the contrary; up to this period every substantial know nothing victory has been an abolition victory. Exclusively "American,"