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BROTHER GARDNER.

Politics and Candidates Discussed at Limekiln Club.

ALL PARTIES ARE JUST ALIKE

Officeholders Not So Much to Blame if They Graft as the People Who Put Temptation In Their Way—Government Always Safe.

By M. QUAD.

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At the last meeting of the Limekiln club, when the routine business had been disposed of and the temperature of the hall run up to 120 degrees, Brother Gardner arose and said:

"My frens, we have jest passed through de throes of a local 'lection in dis city, and tonight while I was waitin' fur de meetin' to open I heard Givedam Jones lamentin' dat a dozen different rascals had been boosted into office and dat dar was gwine to be a heap o' corruption fur seberal years to come."

"I want to say a few words on politics and candydates. When I was



"BELIEVE NUTHIN' DAT YOU HEAR ABOUT A CANDYDATE."

gwine to cast my fust vote men cum to me and told me not to wote fur dis one and dat one, and I finally got so mixed up dat on 'lection day I went off rabbit huntin' and didn't wote at all.

"I was a greenhorn den, but I have since learned a thing or tyo. In de

rust place, our politicians are jest as honest as our grocers or any other class of business men. De whole world am on de make. I are sittin' in a church on Sundays whar de preacher gits \$400 a year. If any odder congregation would pay him a hundred mo' he'd shake us in a month, and I wouldn't blame him. A thing is not only wuth all it's wuth, but all you kin git fur it.

"Right straight along fur de last forty years when 'lection times come round dar am de same old story about dishonest men. I used to believe 'em and take it to heart, but I got ober dat long ago. I take it dat one party am jest as good and jest as bad as anodder. I take it dat one man am jest as good and jest as bad as anodder.

"I once knowed a mighty good white man, and my respect fur him amounted to reverence. I used to think dat when he cum to die de gates of heaven would be standin' open fur him. Arter a time he run fur office. It wasn't much of an office, but it was big 'nuff to bring out his record. What did I read and hear 'bout dat good man?"

According to de newspapers, "I read dat he sent his ole mother to de norkhouse."

"Dat he burned a nayber's barn."

"Dat he hadn't told de truth in thirty years."

"Dat he was allus cumin' his wife and beatin' his chill'en."

"Dat he was a bankrupt, a thief, a hypocrite, and had been in prison fur stabbin' a man."

"My frens, when I read and heard all dese things about de man I had revered I jist broke down and cried. Den I went right ober to his house to console him. To my amazement, he didn't need any consolashun. He was as chipper as you please. He wasn't eben put out. He said dat it was simply de way of politics and I mustn't pay any tenshun to it. And next day arter 'lection de men who had called him de hardest names were walkin' arm in arm wid him and proud of de honor."

"Don't you believe nuthin' dat you hear about a candydate. Be he high or low, rich or poor, it is deemed necessary to pitch into him and smirch his character as much as possible fur a few days. Arter dat, whether 'lected or defeated, he am all right ag'in. It's jest our leetle way, you see. Dar am two parties. If you belong to one you am spected to say and believe dat de odder am composed of rascals and villains. We all know better, but dat's anodder of our leetle ways."

"I've knowed a score of different politicians, and I've allus been told to look out fur 'em and dat dey would sell my grandmother's grave if dey got de chance. Nobody eber told me to look out fur lawyers and insurance and real estate men, but as a matter of

met it was one of de latter class dat sold me a bit of land wuth \$150 fur double dat price, and, as fur my grandmother's grave, a lawyer stole de hull graveyard wherein she was buried. A politician simply bankers fur office,

aches for an easy salary and wants power. He'll graft if you leave de bars down, but so will a bookkeeper fur an undertaker. It's our leetle way—to graft. De politicians of de kentry don't steal half as much as de bankers. Jest remember dat when you read all de hard things in de papers.

"Givedam Jones reckoned he had woted fur a dozen rascals bekase dey was on his ticket, and he prides hisself on wotin' de straight thing. I don't imagine dar was a single rascal among de lot. Dey was simply average men. I'ut a cash register into de office along wid 'em and count up de receipts ebery night, and dere will be no shortage. Dat's anodder of our leetle ways. We 'lect a man to handle our cash, gib him all de chances in de world to steal—in fact, tempt him into it—and den we wonder why he goes wrong. De whole caboodle of us haven't got de sense of a corner grocer in dis direction."

Voting Straight a Mistake.

"And a word of two 'bout wotin' straight. De man who does it orter be robbed. De man who wotes fur an unfit man bekase dat pesson has got a nomination on his ticket am de open enemy of good and honest government. He's mo' to blame dan anybody else when things go wrong. Dat's anodder of our leetle ways. We refuse to buy pore butter at de grocery to please de grocer or de hull world behind him, but we will wote fur men whose reputations smell wuss'n de butter. We do it and den kick bekase we haven't better government."

"And I want to say a word 'bout de government. It's good 'nuff. It's good 'nuff no matter what party am in power. If we am asses 'nuff to call a man a liar, a rascal and a thief and den 'lect him to handle our money and make our laws we deserve what we get. I hear somebody kickin' ebery day, but we hain't de least right to find one word of fault."

"In my time a governor or president was looked upon as a great man. One was at de head of a state and de odder at de head of a nashun. We spoke of 'em wid respect and awe. How am it nowadays? De newspapers have cartooned and belittled 'em until dey seem to stand no higher dan a country constable. We demand on de one hand dat dey shall be our greatest men and on de odder dey am no sooner 'lected dan we go to work to pull 'em down among de smallest. Dat's one of our leetle ways dat make us a great people in de eyes of Europe."

"But I'm wantin' to say to you dat when de next 'lection cum along make no mistake. If you take a news-

paper into your house you am gwine to read dat de men you have allus looked up to am rascals and thieves. You will read dat if such a ticket am not victorious de kentry am gwine to fall into a pit so deep dat not a single tater will be saved. You am gwine to read dat it depends on you alone whether America continues prosperous or has half a dozen mo' panics."

What to Do on Election Day.

"Men will come to you and tell you dis and dat and upset you. You'll be made at last to think dat if you don't wote fur a sartin candydate fur office de town am gwine to be swept by cyclones and toyed wid by earthquakes. Jest you stick a pin dar. Don't read de newspapers, and don't let a stranger frew de gate. Jest keep cool and quiet, and don't sweat your collar, and when 'lection day cum along take your spade on your shoulder and go to de woods and find a groundhog's hole and dig him out. You may not git him, but I'm tellin' you dat you will have done jest as much fur de kentry as if you had swaggered into a pollin' place and woted and swaggered out ag'in. Lots of good citizens do go to de polls and wote, and some of 'em do so good dat dey vote in your diffeent tickets de same day, but der ar odder good ones who go out arter rabbits or ground-hogs, and it's 'bout an even thing as to which am de best patriot. Let us now saw de purreed'in in twain and go home."

Aias, Too True!

"Life with us is tery uncertain," remarked the wise bird. "We fly high today, and tomorrow we are flouthing on some woman's hat."

"Same with us," rejoined the philosophical codfish. "We are in de swim today, and tomorrow we are cod liver oil or codfish balls."—Chicago News.

Comparative Morality.

"John Peters isn't fit to associate with gentlemen."

"Gee! What's de matter?"

"He held out a card when we were playing poker last night."

"So did you?"

"But I only held out a nine spot. He stole an ace."—Cleveland Leader.

Impertinence.

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