

governing, exercises his authority with most prudence and efficacy.

Let us pause here and consider the fact of him who rules our destiny today.

Has he adopted the medium or either extreme? reflecting upon his past record and recalling the dark days of paternalism and protection, the remedy for all social evils, mugwumpery included, echo answers in the affirmative, as rigorous as formerly he has assumed the same old title roll, fostering his old pet hobby in favor of monopolies and true is the heritage of Republican rottenness, whilst his country's welfare is neglected and is noticeable in the number of its desolate homes. As there are many contingent human things that ordinarily happen in the same manner whenever the principle circumstances are the same, there are certain axioms and conclusions regarding such matters derived from the experience of mankind, which convey wise instruction to a ruler as do also the annals of history.

For instance he may learn from the example of Alcibiades that counsel must be sought from men of experience and maturity of judgment, from the history of Cæsar, Pompey and Anthony, that the Republic which is divided by unpatriotic and selfish leaders must fall. The almost invincible Napoleon Bonaparte at the beginning of this century established a mighty empire, his power was so great and his arm so invincible that the mere mention of his name caused a feeling of uneasiness to creep into the heart of every European monarch, but his power and his empire have passed away.

Alic the scourge of Rome, marched into Italy and in the year of our Lord 408, besieged the capitol, no foreign enemy had appeared before the gates of Rome since the invasion of Hannibal until Aleric made his successful inroad into Italy.

The wealth of the capitol was such as might attract the barbarous invader.

The pallaces of the senators was filled with gold and