

they may grow desperate and reckless. Tyranny is the privation of law and government and is brought about by extreme causes. In this condition of civil society the general public good is ignored, and the people are pressed with unjust regulations which have no other aim than to advance the personal interests of a few or of a certain section. There may be tyranny of the majority over the minority as sometimes happens in democratic forms of government. It is ever the legitimate right of every subject or citizen or section of country to resist any despotic edict which injures the rights of citizens of said section. We may recall the sorrowful example of over thirty years ago. 'Tis passed but the memory of that righteous cause is still cherished by the noble southern people, who when, the emancipation proclamation plunged our own section of country into a deluge of blood, went forth to battle for their rights under the guiding genius of the south, the illustrious Jefferson Davis, father of the Southern confederacy, and fought side by side with the greatest general that the century produced, our own immortal Lee. The question arises have we civil liberty as a whole, or civil license for a few?

We inquire if the present condition continues to exist can the republic live? I say it cannot. Either the penniless masses will arise in bloody revolution and snatch from the wealthy some part of their ill gotten gains while destroying the rest in anarchy and war or else the despotism of wealth more corrupt than King or Aristocrat will fasten its leach-like hold upon the throat of the republic and while all is splendid on the surface, will draw its life blood till naught remains but a lifeless corps, over which will be heard the sad sighs and doleful lamentations of expectant but betrayed humanity. Then out upon the heaving billows of times ruthless sea will float the wreck of vessel once laden with the best values of men. The song of a once prosperous people will be hushed and nothing will be heard but the mourning waves of passion as they beat upon the rocks of dishonesty