




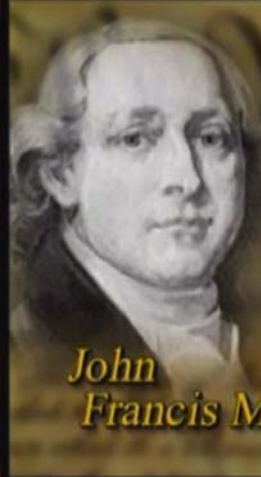
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The Duty Of A Free Citizen



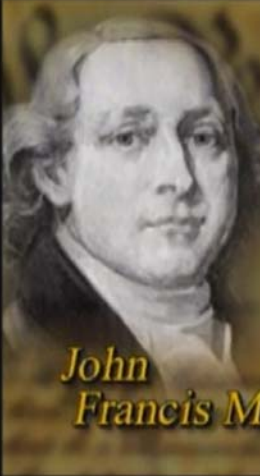
It is a great mistake to suppose that the paper we are to propose will govern the United States.

*John Francis Mercer*



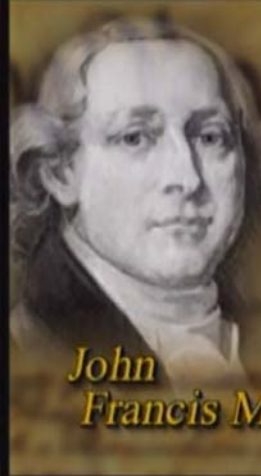
It is the men whom it will bring into the government and interest [they have] in maintaining it

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that are to govern them. The paper will only mark out the mode and the form. Men are the substance

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and must do the business.

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We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquillity, provide for the common defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do hereby constitute and establish this Constitution for the United States.

Article I

Section 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Section 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.

Section 3. The Senate shall be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by the Legislature of the State in which they shall be, for six Years; and each Senator shall hold his Office until the End of his Term.

Section 4. The Senators and Representatives shall be elected by the People of the several States, in the Manner which they may by Law direct; but the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.

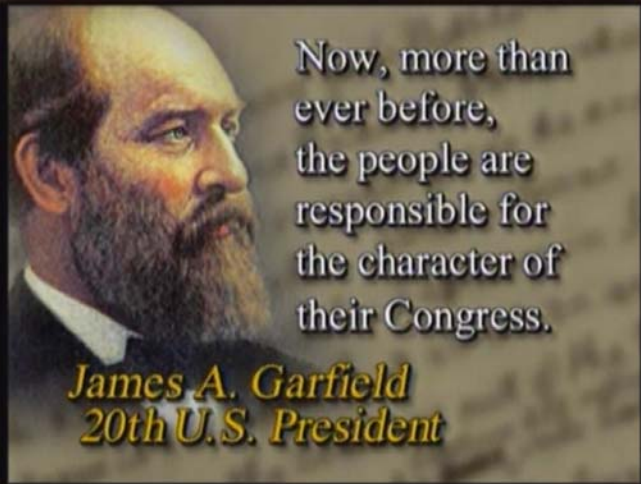
Section 5. The Senate shall have the sole Power to try all Impeachments, when the Senate shall be sitting in Session, except in Cases of Impeachment by the House of Representatives.

Section 6. The Senators and Representatives shall receive such Allowances as each State may from time to time shall make for their Services, and they shall have the Privilege of Speech or Debate in either House, for any Speech or Debate in either House, they shall not be questioned out of that House in which they shall have spoken or debated.

Section 7. The Congress shall assemble at least once in every Year, and such Meeting shall begin on the 15th day of December.

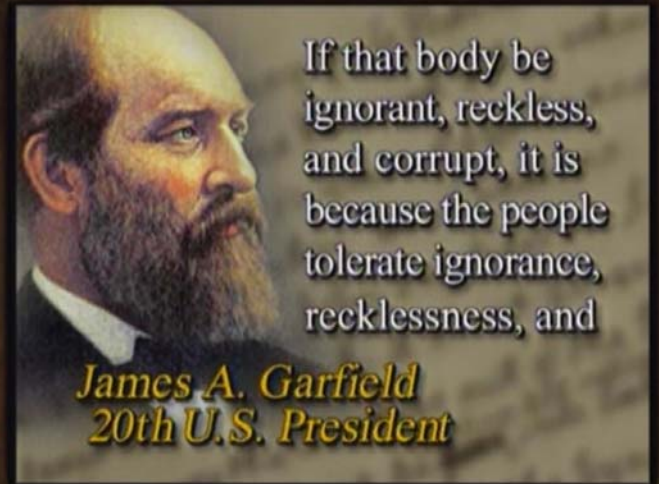


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Now, more than ever before, the people are responsible for the character of their Congress.

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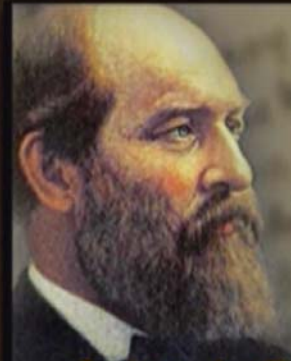
If that body be ignorant, reckless, and corrupt, it is because the people tolerate ignorance, recklessness, and

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corruption. If it  
be intelligent,  
brave, and pure,  
it is because the  
people demand  
these high qualities

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to represent them  
in the national  
legislature....[I]  
f the next centennial  
does not find us a  
great nation...

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it will be because  
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represent the  
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culture, and the  
morality of the

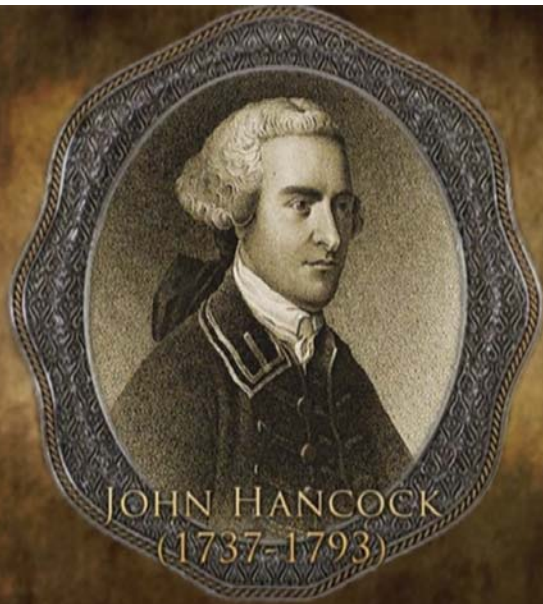
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nation do not aid  
in controlling  
the political  
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### Proven Elements of Sound Education

- Religion
- Morality
- Knowledge

Schools, home, church, communities

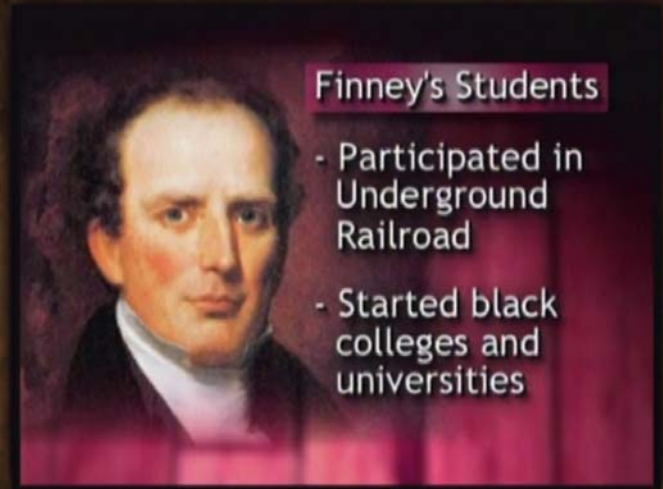
In 1803  
Rev. Matthias Burnet charged:

Finally, ye...whose high prerogative it is to...invest with office and authority or to withhold them and in whose power it is to save or destroy your country, consider well

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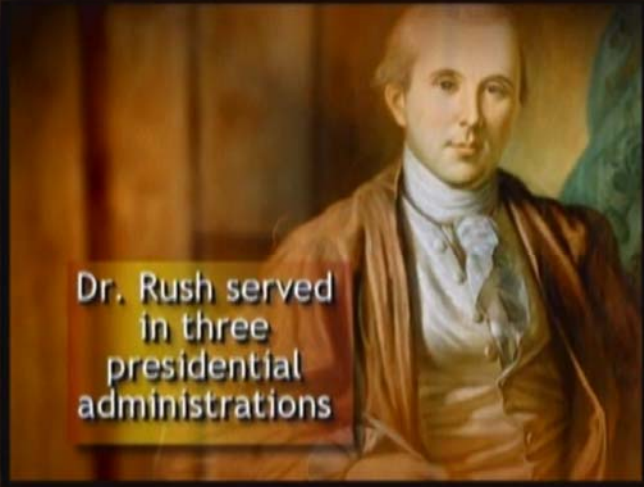
the important trust...which God...[has] put into your hands. To God and posterity you are accountable for them....Let not your children have reason to curse you for giving up those

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rights and prostrating those  
institutions which your fathers  
delivered to you.



#### Finney's Students

- Participated in Underground Railroad
- Started black colleges and universities

A portrait of a man with light-colored hair, wearing a brown coat over a white cravat and a dark vest. The background is a warm, golden-brown color.

Dr. Rush served  
in three  
presidential  
administrations