

Right of Suffrage

no delusion in whom this right ought to be vested, no
ought to consult ^{reason}

- 1. reason, and the true principles of republican government.
- 2. the experience of other countries.
- 3. the peculiar situation of this country.

A. Reason.

to enable her to discharge a ^{manly} ^{and} ^{energetic}

2. why the people ^{may} ^{delight} ⁱⁿ ^{exercising} ^{power} ⁱⁿ ^{stead} ^{of} ^{exercising} ^{the} ^{supremacy} ⁱⁿ ^{person}

- 1. what are the ^{advantages} ^{or} ^{reasons} ⁱⁿ ^{favor} ^{of} ^{it} ^{if} ^{it} ^{has} ^{not} ^{been} ^{delegated}?
- 2. what are the dangers to be apprehended from this delegation of power?

How then dangers are to be guarded against, or a habit of
indifference to the people that they possess it to give to them as
a right and not to them ⁱⁿ ^{virtue} ^{and} ^{of} ^{prudence}

Why do the people delegate their power ⁱⁿ ^{stead} ^{of} ^{exercising} ^{it} ⁱⁿ ^{person}?

for their own convenience or avert of distance - numbers.
because each has proved liberty more safe when exercised
by a few - who can watch a few - better than all can
be carried out of all better understood and done. Done by a
distinct ^{and} ^{able} ^{body} - than a multitude by each of them

who would have exercised the power if it had not been delegated
the equality of mankind in a state of nature - not to be interrupted
by the regulation of government?

in all acts prior to the establishment they must have been agreed
they must for another reason or a general support of them
of distinction to have been drawn but by some act of go-
vernment could have been drawn but by some act of go-
vernment the distinction could not exist before the government had
made it.

Support the people of a country a assembly in a body to exercise their
rights in person.

could they have excluded a party because they had not
a certain portion of property?
could not be carried out in the society do not oblige
themselves to submit to the will of the majority in
all cases
but only the equal laws made with the common consent for
the public good or the general interest of
now this apportionment of all for the benefit of all could never im-
ply a power of excluding a party for the benefit of the other
party.

Therefore if the people in a body had excluded a part of the peo-
ple it would have been an exercise of power, not of right.
It is an established principle both of our government and of nature
that the representation cannot do more than the people could
do in person, tho' they may be limited to do less.
Therefore as the people at large could not have excluded a
part of their body from the right of suffrage
so it follows that their representation have no such power

- B. what are the dangers to be apprehended from the delegation of
power?
1. the sacrifice of the public good to partial motives.
2. such regulations as will oppress the many for the be-
fit of the few;

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Security arises
from a sympathy of interest between the constituents and the
representatives - no better than an advantage which each has not
of itself - though both you can have of a group, this common union
of interest in this case when no election
when there is no common union but between the representatives
and those of the same class.
Therefore how to show that an excluded
part of the people are well as constituting a part of the public good
that is by this diff. between the will of the representatives and their
excluded part.

Representatives to be useful should be completely united
with the body of the people.
The people have a complete security only when the fate of the
man to whom they entrust their power is essentially
connected with that of those by whom their power is entrusted
and the people have two checks on their representation
to wit, the right of re-election - and the right of non-re-election

of those who are placed in a situation different from their
representation.
When interest is separate from their's
and who have no care on them from the fear of displeasing
them
as they have no check on their conduct
so they have no means of getting rid of their oppressor but
by resistance.
It will then be for the right of suffrage in such a manner
that oppression must be submitted to
or resistance made to the Government.

People of America may be more safely entrusted with this
right than the people at large in any other country;
in other countries education so general
or as the rights of man and the principles of government
so well understood.

It is a common error on land & properly in man. a mere
qualification why not as that of high birth and
it might as well be said that their property should be
more independent, as that the rich should be so.

Having the right of suffrage determine the nature of
the government
should be a pure aristocracy at least,
make it less and then it is a republic.

It is very the manner of voting from the census to evaluate
the end of them changes the end of government.
All classes of citizens should have some of their own number
in the representation. Votary, in order that their feelings and
interest may be better understood and attended to

of the reason assigned for this exclusion is
that from their poverty they will have no will of their own
and will always be the dupes of the rich. They would the
ambitious.

Independence does not depend on a man's wealth
on a man's will and his means of acquiring it.
an honest industrious man with a dollar may
be more independent
than a wealthy man with a 200. dollar in his pocket
than from the property of a million.

There are other ways of buying than by the giving of money.
The more orders of men in a society the more difficult to
buy them by a purchase or system or property. Men
will act as a pair or with one set
and will act as if united with another.

A man is poor but then as a person in his ambition
will make him rich
but of the large comp. dia him as a star. This objection
ought to be for their general level.

It is to be always to governments that the the lower do not
know them to be for a representation. They
they may appear in matters a tyrant.

If they are deprived of the right of suffrage they should
be exempted from obedience to the laws,
especially from military duty,
a prohibition for a man's person necessary but for the
a man's feeling and speak as so much degraded.

The giving a qualification property opens a great door
to perjury.

Some object to them during a right to vote. I answer they do
they are opposed to the better part of people than a man
but qualifications to serve the public.
This is a man's qualification is now as if the man would they
by force that they mean to deprive them of the power
of free men.
Once established a government which is equal to them as
equality

Indep. relation does not depend on what a man
has but what he wants and the means of ac-
quiring it. In our man with his belly
and his mind - so that the other force of light drives
a howl at the anchor makes him poor the
populace of a million.

except them from education to learn
from military duty. besides many money
other ways of looking, besides many money
more orders of medals a society more diff-
+ difficult to prepare any thing that will open
rank as a noble or all
the same property as to persons to be used
it as to do to another
class of slaves, men as to be in differ-
of your mind. + their jealousy for
remember the they are not permitted to
not for a superior labor - they may
make a by work.

if poor treat him as a freeman his crime
from will make him rich
but for a slave his dejection will make
him with himself their general level
Peculiar set of the country by reg. it
+ no laws but - 3/4 not to be -

+ no law on prop. property but slaves
law of debt production - the credit
+ 2/3 pay 3/4 a year -
the free man who will be in danger
any part? am! in prop. being reg. of our
+ clear to property.

the person except that always to be prof.
poor men - to draw them from the soil - as that
they will make a government to oppress them -
+ but let them own an account which that them as
citizens on a level with the wealthy and they will
sh. other blood to defend it.
3 would rather own - in a society of slaves than
be a slave as only when they have power.

+ the education leads to imp. for taxes.
temp. in may be more effectively exercised by
+ many over a few than by one man over all
more in some circumstances our to be opp.
+ much - young men draft - vagabonds to our
+ our favorites.

3/4 for not at all by violence - the wealthy will
in a social manner - influence them - wealthier
+ honor right of suffrage in our to the poor made
+ nation as a unity - as no back of of
+ the poor - as they may be independent of they will.

Montezuma
nothing more - a gentleman a man to a beast than living among
peoples, himself a slave. Such people as the natural
men of society and their number must be dangerous.
+ Emp. fall over the balance of property, whether to depend on one
a few or many hands.
+ from man to each lord of a territory, he is Grand Seigneur - as in Turkey
of a few to the land lord - it will be an aristocracy
if the whole people be land lords or hold the land so divided
among them, that one man or one or small number of men
or aristocracy over balance them, it is a commonwealth

Power being in the hands of the representatives of the people, is the
 open hall, as it were, the only efficacious security for the rights
 and privileges of the people & that in a liberal society
 all classes of citizens should have some of their own & among in
 the representation body in order that their feelings and interests
 may be the better understood and allowed to.
 How is this? if they have no right to vote - out for a man
 of the greatest abilities without for term &

The right of representation in genl. govern^t given by the number of
 persons who represent - shall they not have it then at home?

Members must be made of representation here - suppose a
 county to be a man - or as many - she has a double
 number of represent^t - that her poor man has not the quality
 of prop^y - the half that have a double representation over
 that county a man has but half the number all of whom are
 qualified.

Massachusetts 40. freehold or £60. Rhode Island 20 men.
 Connecticut 40. freehold or £40. New York a freehold of £20, or
 a qualification of 40. a year and been ruled as actually pay-
 tax; New Jersey £50. Property or 40. residence in the
 Maryland 50 ac. of land, or £30. New York 50 or 25 ac. or
 North Carolina 50 ac. S. Carolina 50 ac. or paid of 20 sterling.

Georgia £10. and liable to pay taxes in the state, or being of any
 British trade. New Hampshire
 Residence in all these parishes.

Some injustice or oppression in one state, & the immediately
 state up in another.
 allowing a parliamt in qual^{ty} to appoint represent^t being as
 in the great step was to make a diff^{er} in the qual^{ty} of voters
 for senators which is done in several of the states.

by the qual^{ty} except for the election of represent^t the danger
 of bribery was more than any other qual^{ty} had. & it is
 why make an add^l qual^{ty} for electors to the
 state to the qual^{ty} of govern^t into hands of the rich to establish
 an aristocracy which the legislature & deny the real choice
 the explanation whole the legislature & deny the real choice
 of requiring any qualification.

Original and necessary of representation,
 before it took place at has a right to vote in public
 meetings
 this is not a statute but
 the fr. all have a right to vote for electors represent^t.

exclusion founded on reasons of power, not justice. Of
 James Oglethorpe from the British colonies introduced
 this from it being a mercantile government and partly aristocra-
 tic

power is its source. In a habitant of the country
 being in a state society electors may be qualified by property
 they did not that it should be a representation in
 which the people at large, instead of exercising the power
 in person elects them to others.
 this conversion is caused by the people at large to electors
 what power they ought to give, and to whom they should
 be given.

in fixing the power to be given and the election of them this
 matter has been a right to exercise the power. them:
 who acquire them have a right to exercise the power of some
 originally if it had been done in person and not by delegation
 the people at large - rich and poor -
 who electors are to fix the power they should give -

the same -
 could not then exclude the body of the people and give the power
 to 20 30 or 100 - it is a betwixt and betwixt to our
 trust to do so -
 what right have we then to exclude 10 20 30 or 100 from the
 vote of the electors.

all have a right to vote, all electors to consent to fix or re-
 presentative government, all must have power to elect
 representatives.

The idea of a property qualification has been taken from the
 years when the situation was never similar to ours.
 This conclusion has been formed by accident and from
 occurrence as they happened:

