

Speech to the Association of Mechanics and Other Workingmen, Washington, July 4, 1832. Thanks them for the manifestation of their friendship, and asserts that "All essential branches of domestic industry should be protected, or none. . . . For if particular branches were singled out and protected to-day, whilst others were sacrificed, the immunity would be temporary, and in the end those branches themselves would experience the same fate of destruction." Adds: "Let us, then, never forget the maxim of our fathers who achieved the independence which we this day commemorate, that 'United, we stand—Divided we fall.'"

Believes a few weeks ago "that the whole system of Protective Policy was threatened with total subversion," but now feels that the bill passing through Congress will provide adequate protection for American industry. Also, "it will, in a true spirit of harmony and union, be accompanied with important concessions to that quarter of the Confederacy which thinks itself aggrieved."

Accepts their gift of a silver pitcher which he will preserve "as one of the most precious memorials I have ever received." Copy. Printed in *Washington Daily National Intelligencer*, July 10, 1832.

The pitcher was made by Charles Pryse of Washington, D.C., "one of the best artists in his line in the country." *Ibid.*