

by experience the danger of democracy, make such change in the government as circumstances may require. Causes must precede effects. The remedy cannot be adopted before the evil is felt. The sick may be prevailed on to take medicine though bitter, but those who enjoy health will not swallow drugs by way of antidote. That America, when fully peopled, may become a monarchy, is not improbable; but in the mean time she is free, prosperous, and happy. Some indeed there are, who, pluming themselves on the possession of a little wit or a little money, claim to be what they call the better sort of people, and deal out abundant invective against what they are pleased to denominate jacobinism, under which term they comprehend almost every tenet of freedom. These men tell us we should choose a king, as being a handsome capital to decorate the column of freedom. But that choice is not so easy a thing as they imagine. Where a crown descends from father to son by immemorial usage, there is no