

the engine that drives the ship of State, the fear of God is the helm that guides it clear of the breakers." Passing by truth loving men, which is fully covered in the life of every God-fearing man, let us glance at the last item of my text, "Men who hate covetousness," or as the new revision has it, "Haters of unjust gain." It is always wise to shut out covetous persons from a share in the government, for the tendency of covetousness is to harden the heart and blind the judgment. Where such a spirit is indulged, self is magnified more and more, and the rights of others are not only disregarded, but ignored. The duty of citizenship in a nation and government like ours is a sacred one. We should, and we will, if true men, make our ballots the conscientious expression of our personal convictions. We should ever remember, when making choice of a candidate, that while ability is never to be overlooked, still the greatest importance is placed by him