

(an old soldier and officer in that same army), was taking a drive through the city unattended, when coming to the entrance to this park, his carriage was stopped by the officer on duty there. "No trespassing!" he cried, "This park is reserved." "But this is the President's carriage!" replied the coachman. "No trespassing!" repeated the officer. "That is my order." Upon hearing which, President McKinley at once said: "This man is right, we must obey," and the carriage was turned in another direction. Note well: the Chief Executive of one of the greatest civilized nations of the world bowed reverently before a mere substitute police officer!

Another incident, occurred the following day. From the Grand Stand erected for the President to review the parade, Mr. McKinley noticing the vigorous efforts of a police officer to keep back the surging crowd, said to him: "Be kind, sir, and not rough in the use of your authority."

Is it strange that one who had so much respect for authority as a subject and as an officer, should have been deemed worthy to die a martyr to the supreme authority invested in him and die in the self same city of Buffalo, on President's day in the Temple of Music during the Pan-American Exposition? Is it a wonder that Pope Leo XIII (if the Press is to be credited) shed tears at the news—tears of compunction for the shocking degradation of humanity exemplified in the assassin—tears of joy at the fortitude of the martyred President whose blood will ever bespeak due respect to lawful authority.

Behold a model for us all! For my part I resolve to emulate such heroism. Cheerfully will I obey every rule, regulation, and duly sanctioned custom of the institution. Has not the Son of God Himself been obedient and obedient unto death? Moreover, in my capacity as Rector, I purpose to carry my authority as reverently as I would the Eucharist in a Corpus Christi Procession and keep that sublime ideal before my subordinates, wielding, mightily and sweetly the sceptre of my power, to urge you on in the way to success here and hereafter. Thank you for your attention.