



# OUR GUARANTY OF FREEDOM OF SPEECH

It was sealed for us by our Revolutionary Forefathers.

Free speech is guaranteed by the United States Constitution. It is of fundamental importance. If a community is to remain intelligent, self-respecting and self-governing, it must guard jealously its right to discuss, in an orderly assembly and unmolested, any institution or principle which affects society. To discuss individuals, however, and personally criticize or condemn them, is quite another matter, and the guaranty of free speech does not justify indulgence in personalities.

Thru the encroachment of selfish interests and organizations and the indifference of the people this priceless birthright may be lost!!

It was saved for us by our Fathers in the Civil War.

Slavery had destroyed free speech in the South; and reaching into the north it had put a price upon the heads of men who wrote or spoke their convictions. It had even invaded the United States Senate and sought to stifle

free speech, as was instanced by the assault on Charles Sumner and the attempt to mob Thaddeus Stevens. The Civil War saved not only the South, but also the North. Freedom of speech and the press were restored, and the Constitution was preserved.

**How shall we maintain our inheritance?**

**The sons must perpetuate the fruits of the suffering of the Fathers.**

The old conflict must be fought over again. Bills have been introduced into Congress and into some State Legislatures to prevent criticism of established institutions. Today from every point of the compass we hear of the angry mobs preventing the discussion of the Catholic Church. If we are loyal sons we cannot be indifferent to the efforts of our "best citizens" to prevent the light from shining upon any institution, Catholic or Protestant that seeks a shelter under the flag of the Union. We as a people have a constitutional right to be protected in uttering our approval or disapproval of any church or institution, secret or open, without being browbeaten or attacked by anyone, be he high or low, in church or state. We must stand for this right.

**For free speech and a free press.**



Protection to all who expect to take the legal or political...

Or if he [the Odd-Fellow] falls under the cold suspicion of an individual...

In those words the reverend author of the Odd-Fellow's Manual (A. B. Groch) is describing one of the privileges of Odd-Fellowship...

Are we conscientiously suspicious? We think not. The things implied in this statement of the Odd-Fellow are very different...

Let us on the supposition that nothing is meant but what appears on the surface of this statement...

And yet who has released Odd-Fellowship from the ties of the oath? Who has acknowledged the things every oppressed brother...

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males of others or by his own impulsion in violating the law...

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signed take the liberty, not as a committee but as individuals, to express our judgment...

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OBSESSIVE FORCE. How clear, Wm., Dec. 22, 1868. I am much pleased with your paper. It requires me to be more than ever...

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WHEATON COLLEGE. WINTER TERM COMMENCES Thursday, Jan. 7th 1868.

The number of students in attendance last term was greater than ever before.

During the coming term, in addition to the regular morning lectures, there will be a course of lectures on...

Physiology and Hygiene, and occasional lectures on other subjects.

Public Speaking. In the Academic Department students can gain a thorough knowledge of English literature...

Good board can be procured at \$5.00 to \$4.50 per week, (fuel and lights included).

Tuition. Commercial, per term of 12 weeks, \$12.00. Academic, per school year, \$24.00.

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MINUTES of the Aurora Christian CONVENTION. OFFICE OF SECRET SOCIETY, 112 N. Dearborn St., Chicago.

Minutes of the National Christian Convention, Held at Detroit, Michigan, Oct. 1868.

CONSTITUTION OF THE National Christian Association. Held at Detroit, Michigan, Oct. 1868.

Rev. I. A. HART, Chairman. Wm. A. Cook, Secretary.

SCATTER THE DOCUMENTS. SPEECHES: In relation to the Forty-third Year of the Society of the Friends of the Slave.

Published monthly by the Warren Press.

PRESIDENT OLANCHAK'S REPORT to the trustees of Wheaton College, on the occasion of its rejection by the college society...

W. B. Stoddard, of Heyworth, informs us that the anti-sectarian sentiment is growing rapidly in his vicinity...

THE ODD LIFE. The funeral of Mr. George Warren was to have taken place on the 10th, according to the published announcement...

A SENSITIVE FARMER. Some years ago a wealthy gentleman of Boston gave to a friend of mine a tract of land, beyond the city...

FOOTBALLS AND EVENTS ALOOF. A curious discussion took place at the last meeting of the Belfast presbytery. "An ell" was handed in, from a congregation near Grand Falls, New Brunswick...

TRUTHS FOR THE PEOPLE. A WORK FOR THE TIMES. FREE-MASONRY. MRS. LUCIA C. COOK.

AN Inquiry into Free-Masonry. Light on Free-Masonry. Light on Free-Masonry.

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