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who would do the work, yet that the mean, small souls like yourself would not believe that they did the right thing. (Applause.)

I appointed, sir, two of the best Democrats I could get. I first of all tried to get Mr. John C. Milburn, of Buffalo, leader of the bar of western New-York; he couldn't take it. I then tried to get Mr. Daniel N. Lockwood, also of Buffalo, a Democratic ex-Representative, a man of stainless character, but he couldn't take it, and I put in two of the best Democratic lawyers I could get from New-York, one of whom was President Cleveland's District Attorney in New-York. They had everything to gain from getting a conviction, if a conviction could be gotten. They had no party tie, save such as binds every man to find men guilty if they could be found guilty. There was a hesitancy—Senator Sherwood will remember the circumstance—

there was a hesitancy at one time in getting an amount from the Legislature to insure their being able to do their work. I pledged that I would raise the money myself if necessary out of my own pocket and from among my own friends, and give every ounce of aid that could be given. They were given every opportunity possible. I said to them "I want you to probe the matter to the bottom, I want you to follow up any guilty man even though that man be found closest to me in the Executive Chamber." These two men, my party opponents, from whom I demanded nothing, but if there was a legitimate reason to bring to justice any man of my own party, or any other party, it should be done, and they should be brought to justice. They had the time, they had the money, they had the aid of the best counsel in the State, and they found that the charges made by you and your type were infamous lies and slanders, and so declared. Now, ladies and gentlemen, I will explain, while I always try to avoid having

any difficulty. I am perfectly able, whenever the occasion arises, to defend myself. (Applause)

THE NEED OF COURAGE.

The Governor then said:

There is another thing besides honesty that you need, you need courage; I don't care how honest a man is; if he is afraid, he does not amount to much in public or private life. A nice good man, who sits at home in his own parlor resolving how very bad the world is, what a pity it is not up to his standard, does not do much. I won't say he is a detriment, but he is an awful nuisance. You have got to have courage if you are going to make yourself count in the fight for righteousness. A man has got to be game, got to be decent, got to be something more, for I don't care how brave he is, how honest, if he is a natural born fool you can't do anything with him; you have got to have not only courage and honesty, but you

have got to have capacity, to enable you to see what is to be done and set about doing it in the right way.

Now you here have and must see that your representatives possess honesty, courage and common sense, or you can't expect that they will do you credit as you have the right to expect that they are doing you credit. You can't entrust work to poor hands and feel that your work will be well done. And here again, one thing more, and one only I want to say to you. You remember how much the State can do, and yet remember even more clearly that the individual can do more for himself than the State can possibly do for him. In the last resort a man must rely upon himself, upon his own strength, sobriety, self control, energy and honesty to make him of use in the world. Here again I earnestly hope that you will always try to do your duty by your brother, that you will feel it incumbent upon you to endeavor to protect the interests of the man who is weaker; that your sympathy will go to the under dog in the fight and help him wherever you can; but remember this, you can help any man if he stumbles; you can't permanently carry him if he lies down; if you try to you do no benefit to him, you absolutely nullify your own usefulness. Don't ever let any man, whether in political or private life, persuade you you can shift to the shoulders of somebody else your own shortcomings or persuade you you can be prominent except by the exercise of your manhood,

your own courage, your own individual capacity for self help. Something can be done by legislation, by a wise and temperate legislation; something very much can be done by combination for help among us, by extending a hand to these who do stumble and help upward those who need help. A man must count upon rising by his own individual might and capacity. You who are fathers of sons, how many well-meaning fathers and mothers do you know who, instead of trying to train up their children to meet the world, with all its roughness, and conquer it; who, instead of trying to do that, seek simply to shelter them and shield them from everything disagreeable and turn them out selfish and peevish and unable to make their way in the world? I never know whether to feel the most contempt or the most pity for the young fellow, whether the son of very rich parents, who has never been trained to do useful work and who has not been taught to make his hands save his head.

TRAITORS IN A COMMUNITY.

The man in this community who does not work is not only a traitor to the community, but he is tenfold a traitor, and amounts to nothing. Work is the law of life. It is not the men who have the easy lives who are to be envied. Go over in your minds the great Americans; I won't tell them, but you, you can tell them yourselves; and go over in your minds the

great Americans whom you would like to have been, whom you would like to have your sons resemble, and whose blood you would be proud to have running in your veins. How many of them lead lives of leisure? Not one, not a man of them.

Men in your Civil War, you fought for years; men in my war fought for months. You had the privilege of doing what no other Americans before or since had the privilege of doing. Do I pity you because you had that chance? I envy you with all my heart; I envy you. I would give anything to have myself served as you served, to have had the right to feel as you feel about this country. Pity you! The man who pities you is so low and base he does not deserve the name of American citizenship.

The Governor departed for Olean to-night.