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COUNTRY—THEIR MORALS AND METHODS—AS
THE SUPREME POWER IN THE REPUBLIC

THE REMEDY PROHIBITIVE LEGISLATION

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"Then none was for a party;
Then all were for the State;
Then the great men helped the poor,
And the poor man loved the great;
The lands were fairly portioned;
Then spoils were fairly sold;
The Romans were like brothers
In the brave days of old."

MACAULEY—*Lays of Ancient Rome*



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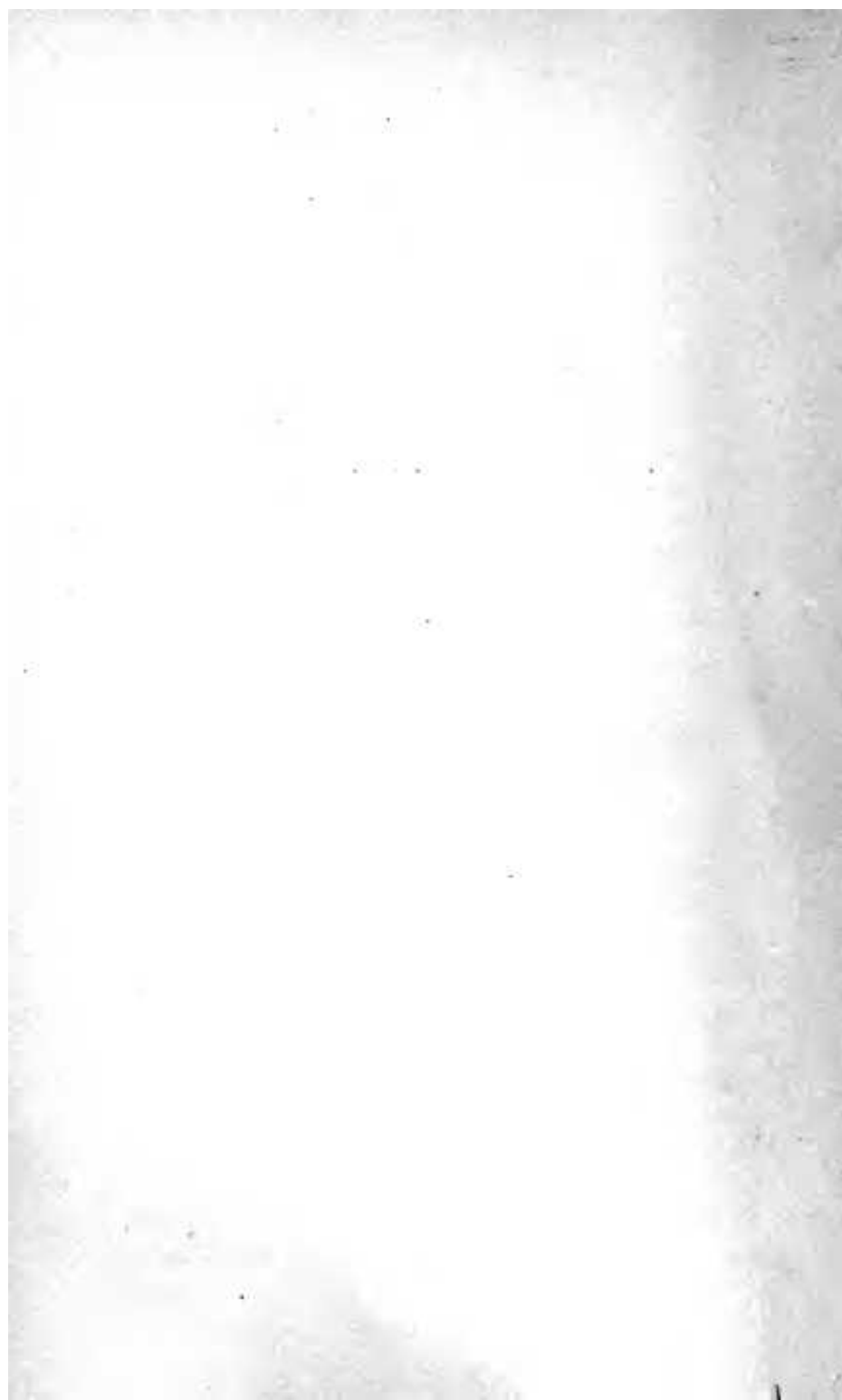
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PARTISAN POLITICS.

CHAPTER I.

PROLOGUE. THE GENESIS OF PARTIES.

THESE pages will be devoted to the discussion of the following proposition: Those organizations known as political parties, through whose exclusive agency all the powers and functions of the governments, State and national, are exercised and controlled, each claiming to be, *par excellence*, the representatives and servants of the people, and to be laboring earnestly and unselfishly in promoting the common welfare, are, in fact, combinations and minorities of the voting population who have conspired to seize and hold the government, with all its institutions, powers, offices, and emoluments, and use them primarily and exclusively in the interests of the party and its favorites. Though the purposes of these formidable and rival political factions are well understood, and are sanctioned and encouraged by the great majority of the electors, they are, nevertheless, hostile to free institutions and the liberties of the people, and as such should be subjected to the restraints and prohibitions of law.

A reform in politics of the radical nature here suggested will strike the average voter who is strongly