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NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Nov. 6.—The election revealed little that was not already known. The reaction against unfavorable trade conditions was not so severe as in some previous campaigns. With the event behind us the country can now give its undivided attention to improvements in its business structure.

It is evident there is little help to be expected from legislation and not much to be feared from it. The best that can be hoped for is that the government will be content, now the pressure of politics is removed, to permit business to work out its own salvation.

The managers of business have a distinct duty in this connection. They must not only continue to be alert, but they must make it better known that they are alert. The soundness of a system is best demonstrated by its success. The political reaction that has been encountered is slight compared with the social reaction that might be expected if the people lost confidence in our economic system.

That system has worked greatly for the benefit of the people. By results it must be demonstrated that it is still the best instrument for their service. That is the immediate problem which every one responsible for business management must meet.

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NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Nov. 7.—A few judges in different localities have recently come under suspicion.

The first requisite of every unit of government is to furnish order and security. That means, in time of peace, protection from crimes against the person and property. The next requirement is the enforcement of legal obligations. To furnish a process for redress when these rights have been invaded, courts have been established. It is their duty to punish crime and decide causes between individuals. If the courts break down, the citizen has little remedy for public or private grievances.

Because of these indispensable public duties, it is necessary for the courts to be kept impartial, detached and pure. Any failure in this respect is a blow at the very vitals of our government. The fundamentals of security and justice would both be gone. The result would be virtually unchecked crime and anarchy.

The general character of our bench is very high. It must be kept so. Any charges formally and seriously made of improper conduct by judges must be thoroughly investigated and all guilt actively prosecuted, that our courts be purged of every suspicion. A corrupt judge is one of the worst enemies of the Republic.

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