

An Admirer of Anti-Federal Men, *New York Daily Advertiser*, 26 July 1787

—STAND FIRM, AND HAVE A JEALOUS EYE.

The conduct of several leading men, among us, has, of late, given the friends to liberty much uneasiness. They tremble under an apprehension of becoming dupes to exalted ambition; and they see, with deep concern, those men, who profess to be the fathers of their country, endeavouring by mean arts, to detach the affections of the people from every thing which bears the name of *federal*.

They see, with silent detestation, the low bias towards popularity, which evidently influences the conduct of those, from whom we have a right to expect examples of strict virtue and rigid impartiality:—And they see, with the most poignant sorrow, the evident ruin which the political doctrines of those creatures to wealth and influence, are likely to involve us in. But, while we deprecate such principles and conduct, let us not, my countrymen, sink down in a state of supinity. It is in our power to defeat the low cunning of the men we dread.—Let the recollection of past sufferings inspire our minds with a determined resolution to adhere to the general interests of the confederation; for, from this only, we must expect political welfare and happiness...

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