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Of President James K. Patterson social and political existence on "Origin and Development of Constitutional Government" Delivered Before Y. M. C. A.

ficent address of President J. K. Pat- incorporating them, as the Kelts had the mighty terson, of State College, on the "Ori- done the original occupants whom they forces which gin and Development of Constitutional found in their pathway. Over a cen- Wellington a Government," delivered Tuesday even- tury before Christ, in conjunction with history and to ing at the Y. M. C. A., that The Herald a body of Kelts called Cimbri, whom kind. benefit of its readers, and commends it with them, they appeared on the conto the careful study of the many stu- fires of the Roman Republic, cut to blies such as

THE ADDRESS.

I am aware that the subject allotted to me in opening this series of lecture subjects of discussion which are to fol-

the Caspian sea and the Himalayas, Saxons are a branch of the great Teu- Teutonic forefathers in the

So frequent and so elaborate have been westward, driving the Kelts before the child is not the compliments passed on the magni- them or exterminating or subduing or contained all the reproduces the address in full for the they took into temporary partnership dents of the city. The address follows: pieces two or three consular armies gions on the fatal field of Cannae. tury later, Tacitus, the most philo- abandoned it, the Angles sophic and most discriminating of all were free to work out the ancient historians except Thucydides, our era, there lived a people in the inimmediate ancestors, the Angles and conquerors of the world af

files of Germany, was th

manent shape and give official form But the necessity of providing dress out of the public domain for his

ing, did not profess to give their peo- arisen as to the taxable value of free- The liberty of the church ple anything new, but to put into per- holds and chattels. Henry directed the liability of each man to be estimated people for centuries, to apply old John in the 15th year of his reign dithe affairs of our kingdom." This was offences to arbitrary fines, I authority of law, but each new an extension of the usage introduced punishment shall be proport of legislation was evolved out by Henry II, and in 1254 under Henry the offence, he old customs and unwritten law, III. two knights from each shire were report made by these knights the ity with the requirements of amount of the tax was determined.

Arbitrary and unscrupulous kings m in his stead. William did not like John, and weak ones like Henry for public use unless paid for. s to reign by right of conquest, III., did not hesitate oftentimes to iged rightful king instead of Hartion by the great Council or Parliament prisoned, or dispossessed, or o canization, swearing to maintain upon the great barons and upon the will we pass upon him or send

> charters were alike ignored. The to no man, we will delay to of feudal services was often applied by hat under the worst kings the greatest

Freemen shall not be sub

No property shall be appr

retained as far as possible the of the realm. Exactions were levied or exiled, or otherwise destroyed, not

unscrupulous monarchs to procure the public service, the prelates, earls and means of oppressing their subjects. barons shall be summoned to the great When these oppressions and exactions Council, each by a special writ, and all passed beyond the bounds of endur- other tenants-in-chief by a summons

THE FREEDOM OF THE PEOPLE.

On this piece of parchment, 683 years advances were made in strengthening ago were inscribed the liberties of and consolidating the freedom of the England, signed by the king, the great teed the privileges of the church, the