



THE SOUTH CAROLINA CONGRESSMAN—HOW THEY HOLD THEIR SEATS?

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How did it happen? Ben Hill says that the South forgives the North for what it did during the war. This is refreshing the North, with about as much grace, can thank the South for the \$3,000,000,000 national debt, the 100,000 pensioners, the 200,000 widows and orphans and our 500,000 slain.

Very gracefully done, indeed! The South would have been cowardly and pusillanimous beyond measure, had she permitted the killing of her men and the desolation of her homes without a struggle! We would ask the Republican how come it that the North lost over 500,000 slain, and where did they fall? The only Southern soldiers who died on Northern soil were those who were carried forcibly away and immured in the frozen walls of Northern prisons.

In discussing the amnesty bill, and endeavoring to show why its provisions should not apply to Jefferson Davis, ex-Speaker Blaine said: "I declare before God, measuring my words, knowing their full extent and import, that neither the Duke of Alva in the Low Countries, nor the author of the massacre of St. Bartholomew, nor the thumb-screws, dungeons and atrocities of the Spanish Inquisition begin to compare in atrocity with the hideous crime of Andersonville."

It was probably well for Mr. Blaine that the days of miracles had passed, else the falsehoods he was speaking might have choked his utterance and like Aesop's old cause him to fall dead in his tracks.

In his reply to ex-Speaker Davis upon his bitter abuse of Jefferson Davis, it is said that the wit of Mr. Cox of New York, was almost cruel and his sarcasms truly merited. Even Mr. Blaine's worst enemies could not help but feel sorry for him. His scathing was terrific and the National Republican, the organ of his party seeing how untenable his position is, has advised him to retreat and abandon it.

Blaine's friends everywhere are acknowledging that in resisting the amnesty of Jefferson Davis so fiercely, he has committed the blunder of his life, and forfeited all his chances for the Presidency.

Important Ruling for Retail Tobacco Dealers.

Washington January 11.—The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has received a letter from Superintendent Foulke, of Boston, inclosing a circular from the Supervisor calling attention to the fact that the stamps imposed by law on failure to destroy revenue stamps under certain circumstances, and also calling attention to the practice, becoming very prevalent, of selling tobacco, cigars, etc., at retail prices, under a discontinuance of this mode of selling tobacco, cigars, etc., and intimates that a failure to comply will be followed by an enforcement of the penalties.

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