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### MARSHALS.

The presidential "Fraud" has treated his friends, the United States Marshals, rather badly; he has vetoed the bill appropriating money to pay them, because the Democrats did not put the bill in a shape to suit him. This is the first time in the history of legislation in this country, that the Presidential incumbent has ever assumed the right to tell the Congress of the United States, in what manner and for what purposes they must make appropriations. We are of the opinion that the right to make appropriations belonged to them alone, and the executive was bound to see that the appropriations were properly applied, but we have never known until now, that an executive ever thought, that he had the right to dictate to Congress in what peculiar phraseology these appropriations should be made. If the Marshals are not paid, and the United States courts should be compelled for want of funds, to close up shop, the Presidential Fraud is alone to blame. In our experience, we think it would be a God send to the whole country if they were closed; as they are, in the Southern States, more of an engine of oppression, than they are a benefit. We suggest that the Marshals manifest their sense by immediately resigning.

Since writing the above we have ascertained, that a Republican Marshal never resigns.

### SOUTH VS. NORTH.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT:—The people South have been so often vilified and misrepresented by the Northern press, as a race of semi-civilized cut throats, that we have become used to it, and when we fail to find in a Republican paper, published North, an editorial not abusive of the South, we feel kind of disappointed, and sorry for the editor; think something is going to happen to him, or he is about to change his political opinions—or his politics. It is to us surpassing strange, why this system of abuse and misrepresentation, should be so persistently kept up; one can scarcely pick up a Republican paper published North,

but you will find its columns filled with lies and abuse of the South; and we have some very dirty birds of like ilk in our own State. We are led to these reflections from looking over a lot of Republican papers published North; a foreigner would very naturally suppose from reading them, that all the white people did South, was to kill negroes, that the end and aim of each man's existence, was to kill a negro, every morning before breakfast. As an offset to this, we will venture the assertion, that east of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, five whites have been killed by negroes since 1864, where one negro has been killed by a white man. We are satisfied that no sane person will dispute this. This persistent misrepresentation of the South is no new thing; it commenced with the century, but was not systemized until within the past 35 years; and notwithstanding the whole country is bound by a net work of iron roads, and the people from all parts, in daily communication, still this abuse and misrepresentation. There is not a Republican editor of any intelligence in any Northern city, who believes the one-tenth of the tales he publishes about the Southern people. Let a family feud, on the frontiers of Texas, or even in the near State of Alabama or Mississippi, result in a shooting scrape, in which one or more of the parties is killed, the Northern papers will be filled with accounts of it, and the whole South will be held up to the contempt of the world, as a set of barbarians, semi-civilized; and the participators in these outbreaks, will be called representatives of "Southern chivalry;" and very probably each one of the same papers, will contain accounts of at least two dozen cases of arson, murder, burglary and highway robbery, committed in their own neighborhoods. We prefer the "plantation manners" of Texas, Alabama and Mississippi. We remember once being twitted about the prevalence of crime in this State, by a gentleman from Boston; it was years ago, the gentleman remarked that he had seen a statement that there were 80 counties in the State, and that the prisoners averaged four to a jail; we replied by handing him a Boston journal, in which there was a statement that the commitments for crime, in the prisons of that Godly city, for the year ending June 1st, 18—, was over 15,000, and said to him that Boston then had a population of 162,000; and North Carolina a population of over one million. The argument ended; and the argument would be ended now, if the Northern papers would do us simple justice. We venture the assertion that there are more men killed in brawls or robberies in the cities of New York and Brooklyn in one year than in the State of North Carolina in ten years; and that there are more divorces in Massachusetts in one year than in North Carolina in 25 years. We had passed our 21st year of life before we had ever heard of an attempt to get a divorce in our old State, and if we remember correctly the matter

was before our Legislature for several years. We would like much for our political discussions to be carried on without so much misrepresentations, it does no good, and serves to keep alive the embers of discord. Let us have peace. V.

They know how to settle filibustering or wayward Senators down in Jamaica. When the Senate disregards the will of the populace they go for their shot-guns and shoot'em on the spot. If that policy had been introduced into this country during the late session of Congress the multitude of first-class funerals would have deprived both branches of a quorum several months ago.—*Pully Times.*

Stanley Matthews still possesses a certain fascination for the average interviewer, and has just been called upon for his views on the Ohio campaign by a New York reporter. He thinks "Charley Foster is sure to win," and furnishes these reasons for the faith that is in him: "Ewing is a cold, impassive man, and don't shake hands with the people. Charley Foster is just the other way."—*Phila. Times.*

The United States Marshal out in Michigan, who telegraphed to ask Attorney General Devens whether he should continue to serve warrants in criminal cases, would have known without asking if he were competent for the official position that he holds, and the Attorney General consumed a good many unnecessary words in answering him. There is nothing in the action of Congress that any sensible person could construe into a prohibition against or an obstacle to the execution of any of the legitimate duties of a marshal. All that is contemplated is a fair warning to these officers that a partisan discharge of these duties will not be tolerated, and the wise marshal, who would like to be paid some day or other, has only to bear this in mind and attend to his business.—*Philadelphia Times.*

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