The Daily Picapune.
WHERE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY?

The mails are just beginning to bring us the details, as published in the Northern journals, of the battle of Winchester, the sudden rising of the rebel forces, and the terrific nature of the engagement. These reports are quite uncredible, as they are unexplained and mysterious, especially the news of the surrender of the citizens and the news of the capture of the rebels.

They are very copious, but they add little to our knowledge of the extent of the conspiracy or its degree of support which it had previously been understood there to be. However, it is now more than likely that the conspiracy is much more extensive than we had supposed. Report speaks of the correspondence with noted abolitionists and the suppression of the mails, with which the whole of the population is threatened.

There is no apparent reason why the States that have been attacked should not be secured, which is the object of the rebels. But they are unwilling to attack the North, even in the face of the forces that will come against them. The Northern states are anxious to live in peace with the southern states, and there is a danger that some of the non-federal states may be brought into the fight.

The attempt was so great in all aspects, however, that it seems impossible for an overwhelming force to be brought against any possible number of insurgents in the shortest possible time. The news provided was so absurdly inadequate to any possible resistance, that it is difficult to believe the rebels have been any part of a conspiracy, constituted by rational men, and anything more than the fact of the conscription of individuals, is the source of the anti-slavery party, which, with profound and most effective prices, and the enthusiasm which excites them, is too wise and too powerful to be overcome, and in the present view of the matter, to fight against the means and theories, which are, involuntarily or not, begat such a party, and such a movement.

The Pope and the Papists have been a matter of much difference. The Bishop of London, the Bishop of York, and the Bishop of England, have all been in favor of the Pope and his Papists. In the following way, a view of this movement. Enthusiastic and despairing measles may bring the papists into the battle, but there will be no end, and it will not be repented. The reports of the battle are quite uncredible, and the news of the capture of the rebels is quite uncredible. The Northern states are to be secured, which is the object of the rebels.
report that any considerable number of responsible or influential persons in the Northern States can be found to have been identified, or are now advising parties to this insurrectionary movement.

Enthusiastic and desperate may be the popular indignation by proclaiming their sympathy with the Nicaraguan cause, but these will be few, and they will be repudiated by the honest sentiments of the mass of all parties. Even the policy of the anti-slavery party will prompt them to repudiate it as futile and impracticable. They will not join in denouncing as a crime against virtue, humanity and justice--against society and government. And in this point of view, in presenting to the Northern eyes a live picture of the barbarisms of our so-called civilization, and the wicked, the preachings and theories, which, designed merely to catch a popular current, and thereby reach power and office, lead to sedition, social convulsions, hopeless interdiction and bloodshed, it is hoped that eventual good may come out of a great and frightful calamity.

The insurgents at Harper's Ferry may be repudiated as madmen or fools, but who made them so? What misled them, if they were misled? or did they believe in such absurd expectations and frantic hopes, if their thoughts were of overthrowing the institution of a great State by such feeble means, and they were wrong? If they were right, they would have been justified.

The insurgent leader--Brown appears to have been a seer in Kansas; one who had learned in the conflicts, stimulated by Northern popular power in that distant Territory, an intense hatred of Southern men and methods and Southern ways, intended by his backers, and, filled with these passions, to have bent his whole mind to the object of continuing, in every insurable way, the war on the South, which was consummated. He has now a great power and sympathy and, unhappily, doubts others found, for the fever of fanaticism is contagious; and to a mind once set in the pursuit of an object, in which the passions were deeply interested, aimless for his hopes and expectations were to be found in the frantic tone of the Northern anti-slavery preacher, and the proclamation by the leaders of a great political party of "an irreparable conflict" between the North and the South. This seemed to him, as a leader of the scorers, he believed himself a friend to, whom the great multitudes who cheer so tumultuously the political orators of the North, who can do all that is necessary to avert the moral decay of incessant warfare against the South, would rally and make him the Peter of a new crusade, more fortunate than his prototype. Whether infatuated, unreasoning madness, or folly, his hopes are as reasonable for the front of such an event.

Now this is the very serious question, which the men of the North who are not inconceivably younger than he are asking, and to which we believe, a large majority--will be apt to put to themselves and to each other when they read of such things as have transpired at Harper's Ferry--the question of the expediency of the present effort of a great community, fearfully agitated by the uncertainties which threaten, with impassioned terror, every subject to which so many of the tenderest interests of life are connected. This matter has suddenly provoked, and cracked out with such an outburst of bloodshed; these are some of the victims of a false philanthropy--the suffering and the sacrifice for the whole race; the insult, the cause, and the consequences, are but the legitimate growth of the ills which have been permitted to

-Leander H. Gonzalez's "The Mexican War".
French wheat and flour. French vintage is stated to be good.

Parts of the three Spanish governments are in a state of

tension and hostility, which is not easy to explain. Emperor of Mexico has received a visit from the Pope and is expected to enter the United States in the near future.

The London Daily Telegraph that the Chinese have recently

suspended the purchase of tea from India.

A rumour has been started in London that the tea trade is on the decline.

Some of the details of the recent disturbances in India.

The Government has increased the customs duties on all imported goods.

Imports are up by 20%.

The late American President has died, leaving his country in a state of mourning.

The French Navy has been ordered to take control of the Suez Canal.

Another meeting of the British Parliament was held last week. The resolutions were adopted by a large majority.

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