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The Seat of Blood.

Mr. Wendell Phillips tells the public that he don't agree with Mr. Horace Greeley as to Jefferson Davis. That is stale news. Had he been able to set forth some practical measure or course of action as to which they two ever did agree, his card would have been more instructive.

When the Texas conspiracy to "give a Gibraltar to the South"—that is, to slavery—erected its flag, we felt it our duty to labor for its defeat through the election of Henry Clay over James K. Polk, the avowed annexation candidate.

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peace and reconciliation, that Davis was no more guilty than the rest of the Rebels, that the war was in reality only a rough mode of deciding between two conflicting principles...

Now, this is a statement of just half the truth. The restoration of peace and harmony between North and South is no doubt a great importance, but it means taken to secure it of just as great importance.

We took far higher than political ground. We said that the Rebellion was an immoral enterprise, conceived and carried out not by mistaken men, but by bad and unscrupulous men, animated by corrupt and selfish motives...

It was, therefore, not solely because the South sought to leave the Union, but because she sought to leave it by vile means, for vile ends, that we invoked the sympathy of the civilized and enlightened world for the North.

We said justice and humanity and truth, and not the Union only, were at stake in our struggle, and that the place of all good men, whatever their political creed might be, was on our side.

The faulting spirit is no emblem or token of forgiveness. The survivors in the Army of the Potomac—the men who remember McCook, Memphis, Fort Pillow, and the murders of Beebe, etc.—read this in a different and redder light.

To beat down law does not always mean that you set up Christianity; it sometimes makes room for anarchy. Towards that evil Mr. Greeley calls the nation to take the first step, and himself leads the way.

Such language from those who believe and feel thus is rendered respectable by its earnestness; from Wendell Phillips, it is hypocritical and infamous. He panders to mob passions for the gratification of his own.

The expressions of feeling called forth by Mr. Greeley's performances at Richmond last week, have been sufficiently strong and sufficiently numerous to warrant us in saying that, whatever difference of opinion there may be as to Mr. Greeley's motives, there is none at all as to the repulsiveness and inexpediency of his conduct.

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SPECIAL NOTICES.

UNION LEAGUE HOUSE. MAY 15, 1867. At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the UNION LEAGUE OF PHILADELPHIA, held March 12, 1867, the following Preamble and Resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, by the Board of Directors of the UNION LEAGUE OF PHILADELPHIA, that the Secretary and Treasurer of the same be and are hereby directed to offer eleven hundred dollars in prizes for essays on the legal organization of the people to select candidates for office; the prizes to be as follows, viz.:

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