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## The Importance of Overthrowing Mr. johnson's Integal and Revolnutonary state Governmeuts,

 Ir is safo to assame in the battles of politios,that a position which is carrefully gaarded and olstinately defended by your enemy mast be
one of some importance. Jndgod by this ori-
terion, the Provifional State Government arected by President Johnson in the late Rebel political contest. It was not until the exist-
 et himself to obstruot the execution of the
Reocnstruction law and to nullify its provians. Allerney-General stanbery was then
salled upon to manufature his "opinion,"
he gitt of which was the preservation of these governmente as de focto orgnaizations. Cone-
grees might, as it did, declare them provi-
slonal, and in express terms subordinate them to the militury power, and the Exacutive
would take no steps to interfere. But the moment the actual integrity of one of these
organizations was assailed, that moment he
reopened the controversy with Congress, and reopened the controversy with Congross, and
braved the perils of a special lession. The
careful observer will also note that in all the animadversions of the Demooracy upon the
Reconstruction law, the gravamen of their
attacks is that suid law overthrows these socalled State Governments. From all this we
may safely conolade that the perpetuation of these governments is regarded by the entire
Oppoition, from the President down, as a
matter of supreme moment.
A silght retrospect of the various steps in A slight retrospect of the various stops in
the history of the contest between the loyal
peopite and Mr. Jolinson will serve to show Why this is so.
The original State Governments of the late
Rebel States, those Governments under whioh Rebee states, those Governmonts under whion
they entered the Union, or were admitted to
it, and under which they continued to tive it, and under which they continued to live
down to the breaking out of the Rebellion,
were overthrown or supplanted were overthrown or supplanted at the very
commencement of the straggle. They were
succeeded by the Rebel State Governments, succeeded by the Rebel State Governments,
which lasted during the entire war. These
latter were illegal, unoonstitutional, revolu-
tionary orgaizations, warring tater were inganations, warring upon the
tionary orgate
United States. Their fate was of course bound up in that of the so-called Confederacy, of
which they each constituted a part. When
the Rebellion was conquered and overthrown, these Rebel State Governments 1 Ril with it.
The Rebel States were then without State
Goveruments of any kind. They had neither governors, judges, nor legislators. The
entite framework of civil government within
their limits had perished. A blank was lef. spring of 1865, subsequent to the overthrow of
the Rebellion. All civil government had ceased in the late Rebel States, and the mili-
tary power of the United States held undis-
puted possession of the country. Here the practical problem of reconstruction
commenced. These States could not be held
under permanent military rule. The machiunder permanent milliary rule. The machi-
nery of civil government muat be again set up.
State Governments must be organized. War State Governments must be organized. War
had done its work in sottling the appeal whioh
had been made to the sword, and now the foundations of the permanent atruoture
society must be laid. society must be lai
At just this poin
consulted the letter consulted the letter and spirit of the Constitu-
tion, he would have called Congress together
in extra session, or would have awaited its regular meeting, and would have committed
the whole problem to the people's representauves. Blinded, however, by his own ambi-
tion and ove of power, he proceeded to ussurp
the functions of Congress, and undertook the work of creating State Governments on hisown
hook. Throgh his agents he proceded with his self-imposed late Rebel States. He olaimed for these crea-
tions of his, these products of Executive usurpation, not only legality, but absolute position ment of the nation. He had his "Ropresenta-
tives" and "Senators" on hand at Washing-
ton, ready to claim seats at the opening of Congress.
But at th
But at this point Congross took hold of the
question, and at once repudiated Mr. question, and at once repndiated Mr. J.
son's work as illegal and revolutionary. denied the constitutionality of those State eraments which he had created, and refased
admisaion to his Representatives and Senators. Both parties appealed to the people in the
election of last fall, and the people, with unanimity and emphasis rarely paralleled in
this country, endorsed and sustained Congress. The Reoonstruetion bills followed, declaring
these bogus State Governments of Mr. Johnon's to be murely provisional, and subjeot t nanders provided for by the blll. But a soon as the Military Commandora began to pui this festure of the law into execution, the
President stepped in and nullified the statato by an "opinioH" of, the Attorno-yctoneral, Congress together agnin, and reopened th Nougress
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 a deed, and have the assurance to get it registered. The goed title ean be adopted from
the original purchaser down to the present
$\qquad$ exxept the last link. Nor do we see ver
olearly how the danger is to be avoided. It generally safe to presume that reoorded deeds
are true; and when searches show that all ikely to deoeive the most wary, unless the
previous owner be personally sought and con-
salted-a proceeding at all times disagreate sulted-a proceeding at all times disagreeable,
and frequently impossible.
A case somewhat similar in its A case somewhat similar in its modus ope-
randi, although not allke in some of its details, recently occurred in New orrk. Alsade near New
In Brokky owned certain land
York, we believe at Elizabethtown, N. J. One day a lady, purporting to be the owner and
answering to the same name, visited a lawyer
and in Elizabethtown, and desired She paid him
mortgage on her property.
several visits, and as he knew the property to really belong to a lady of her name, he never
doubted the identity. The money naked for doubted the identity. The money asked for
was advaneed on the mortgage, and nothing
more was beard of the fir visitor. Two yeari
 owner, and the frand discovered. Both this
nad the Germantown mode of raising funds
are are dangerously plansible and difficult or de-
tection, and $i t$ behooves tremely oarefulu that they do not bay a mor-
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