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It is in vain for Mr. Polk to deny as he has done, that an abduction of the child was intended, whether with or without force, does not alter the case. The concurring testimony of all present, settles that point. The intention was fully developed, and the only mode of defeat in our power was resistance. We feel conscious that in using it, we did right. In order to gratify Mr. Polk & his niece, Mr. Crisfield & Gen. Henry obtained Mr. William's permission for the child to see the mother; the child was conducted into the room with the most solemn assurances of protection from them; and were we then to stand idly by, and see her carried off? No.—We did resist, and under like circumstances, we would resist again. Mr. Polk was guilty of a breach of confidence in obtaining an interview as he did with the child, for the purpose intended. He set at naught every law of decorum, and violated the sanctity of a private dwelling, and we felt justified in resisting his design. Had not Mr. Polk placed us in a situation where it became necessary for us to act, or forfeit all claim to the confidence of others, and sacrifice our own sense of decency and propriety, we should not have interfered. The parts we took in this disagreeable and to use Mr. Polk's language, "disgraceful scene," were forced upon us by his own improper conduct. And for this, he has arraigned us before the public in a slanderous handbill, when he is two hundred miles from us. If he had any complaint to make, why did he not make it known to us, before he left here? He had full opportunity to do so—Why does he go to Washington to publish?

We make this explanation to the public, not to Mr. Josiah F. Polk. With him, we have nothing further to do.—We leave him to the full and uninterrupted enjoyment of his malevolent feelings, and to those solemn retributions of conscience, which sooner or later will visit the evil doer. If he shall continue to write, we declare in advance that he will not be answered. We deem this an ample vindication, and are content to abide the award of public opinion.

Since the above was written, we have submitted it to Lieut. Handy, the witness referred to by Mr. Polk, who amply sustains our statement as far as he was a witness to the transaction, as will be seen by his certificate annexed. We have also procured the certificates of Gov. Carroll, and his son Henry I. Carroll and of Mr. Samuel Henry, in corroboration of our statements, all of which are annexed:

ROBT. J. HENRY.
J. W. CRISFIELD.
C. C. CARROLL.

September 12th 1836.

I have read the above statement, and so far as I was a witness of the facts pronounce it true; and from what I saw, I cannot doubt but that Mr. Polk's object was to take the child away by force.
E. L. HANDY.

I have read the above statement of facts—I was present on the occasion therein referred to, and so far as my recollection serves me, think the statement correct, in all particulars.
HENRY I. CARROLL.