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BETWEEN A JERSEY REPUBLICAN AND A NEW ENGLAND FEDERALIST.

Republican.——"What have you to expect, or even hope, else? Is not the Government with us? Is not the strength of the Nation on our side? Are not the States of

New-Hampshire,
Vermont,
Rhode-Island,
New-York,
New-Jersey,
Pennsylvania,
Delaware,
Maryland,
Virginia,
North-Carolina,
South-Carolina,
Georgia,
Kentucky,
Ohio,
Tennessee,

Already decidedly Republican, and their respective majorities continually and rapidly increasing? Is not your influence in these fifteen states diminished almost to nothing? while in the only two states,

Massachusetts,
Connecticut,

Where you yet, by persecution, corruption, and hypocrisy, maintain an ascendancy, your party is daily dwindling away, and becoming as contemptible in numbers as it has long been detestable in conduct? Where then does your strength lie? By what all powerful lever will you overturn the present system of Government? And by what magic will you construct a bastile upon the ruins of the fabric of that "most stupendous fabric of human invention," the British Constitution?

Federalist.—You ask what we have to hope for, and what body and largely of your strength? Yet your very *confidence* of safety will pave the way to your *destruction*. You have the power in your hands, it is true; but *art* will frequently accomplish what *mere force* is unable to achieve.—We do not rely upon our numbers or strength, but upon our talents and intrigue. You ask *by what lever* we are to overthrow your system? I will tell you. You have among you many men who have joined you from the hope of rising into consequence, power and opulence. These you will be cautious of promoting and when disappointed they will assume with us to effect your downfall. That division will divide and distract you. Already are bickerings and feuds breaking out among you in every part of the Union. We shall fan the sparkling fire into a flame that will consume all your boasted laurels of honor, love, and patriotism. Your party is a mere rope of sand, which when exposed to the sun of prosperity will crumble in to atoms. Upon your divisions and dissensions we shall again ascend to power and splendor; and then wo to the wretches who contributed to our present humiliation! You complain of past oppressions, but every *cord* you then felt shall be a *cable* if ever we again triumph over you. Of this triumph we have a sure anticipation—By practising upon the old maxim "Divide and conquer," we shall work out your destruction. But should this fail, through any blunder of ours, or through unexpected vigilance on your part, we have yet one expedient which cannot fail us.

Republican.—Indeed!——And what is that?

Federalist.—I am no dissembler. I shall therefore tell you without reserve. It is *to dissolve the Union!* You are surprised, but rely upon it this expedient has long been in view as the dernier resort. The '*Sampsons* of New England,' as Dexter emphatically called them, rather than not demolish your republican fabric, would perish beneath its ruins. This is their last stake and for this they will play a deep and desperate game. If they succeed, they will rule New England, and unite New York and New Jersey under their dominion, either by persuasion or by force. Perhaps Pennsylvania and Delaware might be enlisted with us against the southern states, in which case we would quickly humble the Ancient Dominion and her satellites in dust and ashes. But if we cannot conquer the whole, we will subjugate a part. This is our plan. To effect it, we have many subservient agents, but the Amendment proposed by Massachusetts to the constitution, is the principal engine. By this, distrust, jealousy, irritation and exasperation, are to be successively excited between the southern and northern states; and amid disunion in their councils, and disorders through the country, we shall either subject the whole union, or establish a separate government after our own liking, on the principles of the "Old School." In either case, your proud republican structures, and your vaunting disciples of democracy will be given to the fire and sword, and nothing of them remain but the remembrance of their former existence.

Republican.—Your picture is to be sure terrible! and I have no doubt of the *disposition* of the leaders of your party to realize it. But you over-rate your *abilities* when you think them adequate to the object in view. You err in your calculation, when you count upon any serious Disturbances among Republicans, or a Dismemberment of the Union.—As to the first, do doubt from personal attachments or antipathies, and from local interests and competitions, disputes among our party will sometimes arise, but they will soon be healed. Individuals may stray from the main body, but they will quickly return, or will lose all power to injure us. We are aware of your attempts to divide us, and will draw closer the ties that unite us. Our friendships and enmities, our partialities and prejudices will all be cheerfully sacrificed, when demanded by the grand object of Republicans, *the support of a free, equal, and virtuous Representative Government.*—As to a dissolution of the Union, it is a dream of madness—the chimerical and fantastic hope of a desperate faction.—Americans know too well that their happiness, their very existence as a nation, all depend upon the preservation of our Federal Government; and those who attempt its destruction will bear on their own heads the contempt and execrations of their indignant country. The amendment of which you speak, the instrument by which you will effect a disunion of the States, will be pointed with the disinterested and patriotic views with which it was sent forth to Rome to feast his eyes with the grandeur of its illustrious Pontiff. Your party has become too obnoxious to the charge of tyranny, hypocrisy, and ambitious intrigue, to succeed with the best contrived plot, and the best concerted measures. Attempts to divide us will only serve to unite us more closely together. Attempts to injure our Government, by withholding the assessed taxes, and refusing to furnish supplies, will only serve to unite every friend to good Government in its support, and to increase the energy of our Rulers. Attempts to dissolve the Union will be spurned with indignant contempt, and will only serve to unite us more firmly than before. We will support our Government with all our energies and resources. We will support our Rulers in all their measures for the preservation of our Union, our Liberties, our Independence, our Commerce, our Prosperity, our Happiness, our Glory, our Existence as a nation. We will support our Government against the machinations of its enemies, foreign and domestic, and we will support our Rulers in the exercise of all the energies with which our Government has invested them