

to make our slaves to rebellious and insurrection; They have refused to render up fugitives from justice, fleeing from crimes committed at the South whenever the crimes with which they were charged were committed in relation to slavery although the Federal Constitution declares it is their duty to deliver them up. They have invaded the soil of a sister Southern State with an armed force for the purpose of inciting insurrection, and have murdered in cold blood, her quiet citizens: They have refused to deliver up for trial individuals charged with being accessory before the fact to such invasion, insurrection and murder; They have in their State Legislatures passed laws making it "Treason" and punishable with imprisonment for terms extending from two to fifteen years, for a Master to assert upon their soil his rights to a fugitive slave, and finally, they have, by a combination of all the elements of antagonism to Southern institutions in the now slave holding States, succeeded recently in the election of Abraham Lincoln to the presidency of the United States, upon a platform of principles alike sectional in their character and dangerous to the peace, welfare and domestic tranquility of the slave holding States.

With these startling facts before our eyes what reasonable hope can be entertained that the Southern mind will undergo a change - will yield its prejudices - can it be expected that a party which has been so long struggling for power upon an issue so involved with their religious fanaticism, will in the full flush of their first and most decided victory, renounce the principles and deny the faith which has alone secured their position and power? They know but too well that utter ruin and disgrace at home would follow close upon any adjustment or compromise, which they might make that would be satisfactory to the South.

The long gathering and destructive political storm, which has recently swept the North from Maine to the Mississippi, is but an earnest of the deep hatred and determined hostility of their people to our institutions - and now that the first shocks of the tornado has been received and its fury spent upon our heads - is there yet discernable any indication of returning calm and quiet? Who has been able up to this moment to discern a single ray of hope in the dark and lowering Northern horizon? What done of promise has discovered the dry land and the olive branch, in that great sea of intolerance and hatred?

The very existence of the Republican party is depending upon their firm and unvarious determination to enforce by all possible means the policy of crushing out African slavery in all its conditions and in all its strongholds. The irrepressible conflict with them is but just begun - Their mission is to annihilate slavery from the American continent, and to know no diminution of the labour until that object is accomplished. do the Northern people intend to retrace