

should shame them in practice ; we should reward, merit and punish crime, and bestow superior distinction alone upon superior merit ; as you would that men should do unto you, do ye even so unto them ; maganimous Governments live long ; ungrateful Republics die soon. *Publica fides, servanda est.* — Public faith must be maintained.

2d. Some decisive measure should be taken to preserve the Union from the evils that surround us, for, unless a remedy be found that will effectually cure the evil, this vexed question will haunt and persecute us and our posterity to the end of time. A temporary peace with the negro question unsettled, would soon be the cause of another war more cruel and desperate than history has ever recorded till like the slaughter of the Jews, the massacre of San Domingo, and the internal wars of Mexico would not be an index to the volume of ours.

3d. He that would do ought by word or deed to dissolve the Union, is false to himself, false to his God, an enemy to his race and a traitor to his country, and thereby acts more like a knave and fool than that of a wise and honest man, for were the people of the United States to allow this Government to be broken up, they would betray the greatest political trust that was ever placed by the Almighty God in human hands. The Goddess of Liberty over the fallen ruins of her temples, would sit and cry aloud in sad wails to the nations of the earth, "I have nursed and raised up children, and they have rebelled against me."

4th. Slavery is an ecclesiastical curse, it leads to anarchy in building up an apostate church, their shebboleth opprobrious epithets against loyal men of whom they claim homage to their ebony idol. Slavery has long been the hobby of political tricksters and bully braggarts to excite the passions and prejudices of ignorant men, by the pulpits, the rostrum and the press, by ceaseless misrepresentations and vituperations, and the dogmatic bravado of its partisan leaders to triumph over principles and enlightened reason.

5th. Slavery is a pest to society, and a nuisance to the country, a father's grief, a wife's woe, and a child's sorrow, the nightmare of hell to paradise, the prosperity and happiness of mankind while from aspiring potentates and factious citizens in a vicious commonweath, no assiduity can wane, no wisdom can protect, slavery is demoralising and degrading to the white race. It makes slaves holders kings amongst beggars, and non-slave holders beggars amongst kings. It helps to build up an aristocratic minority that is always trying to subjugate the majority, and enslave and disfranchise by the laws of society from the higher offices without education, or right of free speech and the elective franchise.