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“Treasonable Newspapers”

Why does the Government turn the grindstone which sharpens the knife used to cut the heart out of the Government? In other words, why does our Government carry in her mail-bags, the Secession papers printed in the loyal States, and thus lend a helping hand to distribute among the people treason doctrine, designed to poison the public sentiment, divide it, render the war for the Union unpopular, discourage men from enlisting, destroy popular confidence in the Government, and thus leave the army unrecruited, a prey to the savage ferocity of the Southern rebels?

The Government is far behind the necessities of this crisis. A terrible administration of affairs, with a terrible energy and severity, is needed on the part of the loyal States, to cope with this intensely wicked and active rebellion. The movement now all over the North in favor the Rebels, under the mask of peace, and the black flag of Breckenridge Democracy, is a wolf in sheep's clothing, which, if not completely crushed out, will do more towards our overthrow and the entire destruction of the Union than a dozen Bull Run defeats. In aid of this Northern movement, the traitor prints of New York city and elsewhere, will be scattered among the people thick as autumnal leaves. Is the United States Post Office to be desecrated to the treasonable use of assisting to demoralize its own people, weaken the hands of the Government, and render war so unpopular that all volunteering will cease? These treasonable prints should be rigidly thrown out of the mails, as you would throw overboard gun powder from the vessel chartered to convey it to Richmond, for the use of the rebels.

When the North begins to act with the zeal, energy and sacrifice of the South, and fly to arms *en masse*, the Capital and Government will be saved, and not before. When we mete out to a traitor a traitor's doom, without hesitation, we will then have that devotion to country, that heroic spirit, which will conquer, and not before.

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