

Live Bueff Ark, Jan, 24, 91  
Dear Judge,

I have just returned  
from an extended trip over  
My Division as Deputy Revenue  
Collector for 3<sup>rd</sup> Division of  
Arkansas and the first thing I  
seized and read after returning  
to My office was the By Stamb  
ers Notes. And let me say that  
your betrayal of your subjects  
discussed is so graphic, so strong,  
so true and patriotic, that it  
makes My heart burn with  
a zeal for wrongs to right  
the wrongs perpetrated upon  
a down trodden oppressed  
and outraged people. It is and  
has been said by histo-  
rians that all Nationalities  
cannot be free and independ-  
ent unless they fight for  
their rights as a people.  
Of course this we have  
done in different conflicts  
for the freedom and independ-  
ence of this Great Country  
ours. For it is a historical  
fact that Cristofus Atucks

a Negro, fell a victim  
 to the Red Shirts, in the  
 City of Boston as the first  
 to die for American  
 independence, in the Revolu-  
 tionary War. And over  
~~the~~ Records of the Ground  
 abound, with abundance  
 of evidence of the Man-  
 ner in which Negroes fought  
 and fell, fled and died  
 in the late Slavery War  
 between the States for their  
 independence and freedom.  
 And yet the North as well  
 as the South are NOT Willing  
 to accord the proper respect  
 to the Colored man that  
 he is entitled to and Why?  
 Because the Negro is a coward:  
 the Records of the Reformation  
 of War do not show him to  
 be a coward. Because he is  
 poor and worthless. The Census  
 of 80 and 90 show him to  
 be very frugal indeed.  
 Because he is ignorant. The  
 Census show him to be a  
 gainer of education and therefore

ity with a rapidity swifter  
 than that of the poor White  
 Man of the South.  
 And what is the cause  
 of this treatment, there  
 are two causes that  
 stand over Preeminant  
 over all others to me  
 one is cowardice on the  
 part of the Republicans of  
 the North and the other  
 is a hatred on the  
 part of the Rebel Briga-  
 des of the South against  
 the Press because they are  
 ally of the Republican Party  
 of the North. As both of  
 the great Parties, Republican  
 and Democratic have  
 left the true Mission of the  
 Press and gone over after  
 filthy lucre. How is it  
 that many of our Senators  
 in the Senate for  
 Men and in a few years  
 turn up to be Millionaires  
 Something is rotten in  
 Denmark. Why My dear  
 Judge you may not believe me

But the dog of patriotism  
 and Phylanthropy is dead  
 in America so far as the  
 free man is concerned.  
 Look at some of the  
 heads of the Administration  
 how they curge at over some  
 little trivial matters in our  
 International relations. In that  
 they demand of other  
 Governments indemnity for  
 Wrongs done to American  
 Citizens and the grow  
 hells how they kick up about  
 the seal and the fish that  
 God put in the water for  
 Man to eat and at the  
 same time 6 or 8 Millions  
 of Negroes and 9 Millions  
 of White Republicans in  
 the South were sold by Mess.  
 Wolcott and Co and bought  
 by Mess Gorman and  
 Co. for Political purposes  
 and if any man in  
 the Cabinet has open his  
 head to the Country it  
 is more than I have heard  
 with the exception of the

President,  
 I think Senator Hoar  
 is a sincere man  
 and he is laughed at  
 and called the froggy  
 of the Senate.  
 But Sir, Lincoln, Grant,  
 Sherman, Morrell and  
 Logan are all gone  
 to Vineland  
 and no man dares  
 to rise up to take their  
 shoes. John Sherman  
 was once the great de-  
 fender of the Negro. But after  
 the death of Logan he quit  
 and the fruit of his work  
 is to the effect that he  
 must have for his colleague  
 a coal oil Morrell,  
 to sit up in the Senate -  
 but you are doing a great  
 good in your notes. And  
 I believe you would do  
 more good if you were  
 to turn your battery in a  
 direction to have the National  
 Government to open up the Pub-  
 lic Domain to the Colored

Man so as he could go in  
and open up states of  
their own and get  
out from their Slave  
Masters of the South  
Should we have a couple  
of Western Territories  
entrusted to us they would  
not go to the Democratic  
Party as did our white  
brothers. All the Negroes  
will never leave the  
South under no inducement.  
~~Mr. [unclear]~~ did all the  
Negroes leave the land of  
Egypt. But suppose  
by 4,000,000 we set up  
would always be a safe  
anchor to the G.O.P. in  
the time of a mighty  
storm. And if the Rebels  
are so anxious to get  
out of the Negroes they  
certainly would vote  
for a measure of the  
kind. I am your  
true friend  
A.M. Middlebroth