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Dear Sir -

In your "Bystanders Notes" of June 6<sup>th</sup> appears one of the stock falsehoods of the U. S. P. which it is strange that one of your standing should reiterate - Such book makes me tired and serves to show that the Republican party is hard pushed for truth.

I quote

"it was a bad place and a bad time to refer to those who gave him (Cleveland) three fourths of the votes which made him president as "Rebellious" "

You know, or ought to know this is false -

The total popular vote for Grover Cleveland was 4,872,856, of which he received in the eleven "Rebellious" States 1,213,555, or 4,659 less than one fourth.

Neither will the electoral vote bear out the

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Statement. The electoral vote of these States was 113, out of a total of 219, or a fraction over one half.

The electoral vote of all the Southern States, including those that never were in the Confederacy was 137, or 28 less than  $\frac{3}{4}$  —

Your unfortunate experiences as a "carpet bagger" after the war, have undoubtedly made you an "offensive partisan". One of the rapidly decreasing class who are still fighting the dead issue of slavery and kicking the corpse of the Confederacy. This you have a right to do, if it is any satisfaction to yourself, or gratifying to any of the other fools. But no man can rightfully defend his position with falsehood for his weapon. I have been a reader of your books and writings, and have enjoyed them much, although I am not a Republican. I have called your attention to this error, "more in sorrow than in anger" for I dislike seeing a political antagonist even, mis-stating facts.

Yours, &c  
James R. Bishop