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Beulah Miss Aug. 24th 91

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Dear Sir

The writer of this has for years
just been an ardent admirer of your articles
in the Inter Ocean - has believed you
thoroughly honest in opinion - and never
doubted your veracity - or the correctness
of your information. It would seem
that a writer of your reputation and influence
when making a grave charge against an
individual or a community - a charge that
will perhaps be observed and believed by
scores of thousands of people - should be
very sure of the correctness of the charge.
In your "note" of August 14th 91 - you allude
to the killing of nine negroes near Fries
vill - Miss - that this offers more demanding
proof for work done. You evidently
omit to the horror of such a crime

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and will - no doubt readily admit the
sincerity of the offer of bearing false
witness in such a case. The writer resides
in the adjoining County to that in which
Triars Pt. is situated - only a few miles
distant - and is sure that you have been
misled; you can easily satisfy yourself
on the subject. Ex Gov. Allen - one of
the most prominent Republicans in
the State of Miss. - a man honored by all
parties and colors - resides within a few
miles of Triars Pt. - and will - no doubt -
cheerfully give you full and correct
information concerning the alleged killing.
Ex Senator - and Ex Register of the U. S.
Treasurer - B. H. Brown - was formerly ^{her} ship
of this (Palmer's) Co. He is well known and
commands the respect of all parties - and
can easily ascertain for you - if desired -
though prominent colored republican claims
whether such a murder ~~was~~ occurred. You
know - much better than the writer - one
of the Rules of Evidence - False in pe
&c. How can your Readers to know that

The other Locking "Incidents" mentioned
 in your "Notes" of same date - are more
 reliable. If this charge is false - do
 you not owe it to yourself as well as
 to the people of Louisiana - to correct it?
 Further on in your Notes you say -
 "and colored men are killed without trial
 upon the mere imputation of such an
 outrage (Rape) upon a white woman
 very often when the purpose of the charge
 is merely to get rid of one who knows
 too much of the accusers' frailty." If there
 is any foundation for so shameful an assertion
 you are cognizant of a state of affairs
 of which the writer is happily ignorant. It is
 understood here by all colors - that death-
 swift and sure - is the penalty of violence
 to women within the past twenty years
 we have seen two Lynching in this
 county - the Hunt of the Delta, one was
 that of a negro who outraged a poor defunctess.

of the white child (not a woman) and the
 victim was so terrified by the brute that
 had in fact also communicated to her a
 loathsome disease - his offence would not
 perhaps - have been discovered. Shortly after
 the period particulars were learned - (a medical
 examination forced the particulars - from
 the poor child) the Body of the perpetrator
 was found at the end of a Rope. The victim
 of the other Synchry was a Negro also. He had
 committed violence on a Negro Girl - or rather
 as in the other instance - a poor little
 helpless child - and was arrested by a
 white officer - at the instigation of the
 Father of the child. Whilst the officer
 was waiting at Law station - Balisee es
 Miss - for a Train on which to take
 his Prisoner to the nearest Jail - a mob
 of Negroes entered the Building in which
 the man - and shot the prisoner to death
 in the presence of the officer. Regardless
 of your opinion - or that of any one
 else - Public Opinion has approved in
 both instances - and it is to be hoped

for the honor of 'Nonresistance' will
 continue to do so - so long as such
 crimes are possible. You are a trained
 thinker and writer - as such you will
 readily perceive that the author of
 this is not - is only a man - indignant
 at the extremes to which you have gone
 in the support of negro outrages - despite
 his admiration of your talents and his
 faith in your honesty

Respectly

E. J. Davis

Should you find the Finance Pt. of your
 paper - true - please give it further
 publicity - it seems incredible that
 anything so barbarous should occur
 without the general knowledge of the
 people throughout the vicinity

Respectly

E. J. D.