

John Kerr of Carroll County in his examination said in answer to questions as follows - After speaking of Northern men having arrayed one class against another

Question - Will you name any Northern men that have done so?

Answer - I think Judge Forsga has gone far beyond that line of conduct.

Quest - Any other one?

Ans. I cannot remember any other one. He is in my immediate vicinity. I have heard a great deal about Northern men, but when I am under oath, I dislike to speak of matters I have merely heard of. I have never been accustomed to see such evidence allowed -

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But I would like to state what I have heard about Judge Forsga. He is believed to be the author of a letter from Philadelphia - I never heard it doubted - in which he stated that he had been credibly informed by a respectable Quaker gentleman, that fifteen colored men had been found and dragged out of a river mill-pond. He has never been able to verify that

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statement. He wrote the letter and it got into the New York Tribune. I regarded it as exceedingly mendacious, as exaggerating in a very high degree the state of crime in his circuit and as bearing on its face the clear and manifest purpose of merely agitating for political effect.

Question by Mr Bayard -

It was forwarded to the New York Tribune by Senator Abbott, and an alteration occurred as to whether there had been an alteration or not?

Answer - Yes, sir.