

A. W. TOURGEE,  
JUDGE.

Office of the Judge of the Superior Court,  
SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT, N. C.

Greensboro', \_\_\_\_\_, 187...

Sir:

Sunday morning's mail brought me a letter of which the following is a copy -

Out of Doors  
42nd Brigade Men of  
Carolina

How Sir:

(Copy letter)

~~addition the account~~ I have been able to  
communicate with certainty <sup>with the counsel's approval</sup> ~~which on behalf~~ who au-  
dited the above in any other manner, this is  
to inform all whom it may concern, "Red", white  
black or <sup>purple</sup> doubtful, that it would be exceedingly  
inconvenient for me to comply with this unpolite  
request just at present. I further desire to inform  
all anonymous blackguards of every grade, <sup>sex</sup> ~~and~~  
<sup>or class</sup> ~~and~~, who have a literary turn, that having received  
several dozen communications of a similar  
character without in the least affecting my digestion  
it is entirely unnecessary for them to send their let-  
ters to a remote office to be ~~received~~ <sup>as I should never debase myself by in-</sup>  
<sup>quiries as to their origin</sup> ~~received~~ - I do not  
in the least object to any paper sending me his man-

I rather enjoy it and have now on hand a rather interesting collection of this character.

tal and moral photograph in this manner. ~~It~~ I am unwilling that he should suppose that I regard him as worthy of the notice of the magazine or that ever sucked eggs or hunted specimens, under any imaginable circumstances or for any purpose whatever.

I congratulate the writer of this ~~and~~ mission upon the success with which he has written himself down an ass of the most infinite perfection and offer my unfeigned sympathies <sup>to the foolish woman</sup> who may have unwittingly exclaimed at his birth, "Behold I have borne a man-child."

With the utmost contempt for the "42nd Brigade of the Red Men of ~~the~~ Carolina" and ~~any~~ <sup>all</sup> other ~~aggregation~~ <sup>aggregation</sup> of first-class <sup>anonymous</sup> cowards and fools, I remain  
Yours Respectfully  
C. W. Bourne

Letter to the  
Rail Men