such forbearance as pusillanimous and cowardly — the Southerners have been your masters, have always dictated, guided and directed the policy of your government, and they are now determined that they will rule, or hilin all. 'Deal gently with them' dont irritate the slaveholders, or they will prove terrible in their wrath — they appreciate and reciprocate it by exhuming the bodies of your brave Northern soldiers, making soap dishes and Wash basins of their skulls, exhibit their heads and ghastly remains as trophies of the prowess of their bravery, and yet Northern generals carp about Constitutional rights of the South, exhibit the most delicate concern for their precious human property, because otherwise the South would become incensed maddened, delirious. — Well! well! wait and see. I believe that the North, the great North! can be! she will be! she is being! brought up to the point when the edict will go forth —

Proclaim aloud the freedom of the Slave! and save our Glorious Union!!!

Every Dear Doctor has combined to cause you sadness and despondency, the rebellion has operated directly to your injury as it has to thousands of others. The idea of Americans ever imbruing their hands in ~~each~~ others blood was so shockingly repulsive to every true patriot that they never could be brought to consider such a state of things as even remotely probable. Now frequently my revered old patron has in vain expended arguments on me, in his efforts to convince me that Slavery could never, never! produce a disruption of the American Union, but my faith in the goodness, and justice of the Almighty were too strong, for me to believe that he could through all time witness the soul crushing, and accursed system of human slavery to continue without ~~some~~ the infliction of some signal mark of his divine displeasure — the oppressed and those who have countenanced and tolerated it are now engaged in deadly conflict — thousands and tens of thousands are being slain — Millions and hundreds of Millions of treasure are being expended, and yet the strife goes on. Meantime the Negro, watched over by God almighty moves along amid this strife unharmed. They have endured the stiffe least the purposes of the Almighty toward them should in the least degree be frustrated. Yet their time may come

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