







REMOVAL OF JUDGE LORING.

REPORT OF JOHN L. SWIFT, ESQ. OF BOSTON. BEFORE THE MASS. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. Tuesday, April 10, 1855.

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the House: I open this discussion with no little hesitancy... I fully appreciate the magnitude of the duty...

length. It was a week, Mr. Speaker, in which you, and I, and all of our fellow-downs—a week in which this proud old Commonwealth was made to bite the dust.

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only. I draw this conclusion from the fact, that every preparation was made to carry that man off to the Court Square; the ammunition was furnished; the horse before him was under orders, and everything done with just precision and thoroughness of preparation with which they would prepare to accomplish an act of violence...

But, gentlemen, the most deplorable feature in this whole matter, to me, is the fact that Judge Loring took the great privilege of the protection of the law, and of the great machinery of the State, to do what he would do, and that he would do, and that he would do, and that he would do...

I have not the patience to treat this palpitatingly absurd argument in a civil manner. The attorney at law, who, under the sanction of the law, is a practitioner at the criminal bar; it is not worthy the dignity of a legislative body...

While Judge Loring was signing the certificate of removal, the gentleman who, in the name of the law, is a practitioner at the criminal bar; it is not worthy the dignity of a legislative body...

As this is a point upon which the defenders of Mr. Loring rely, I propose to examine it minutely. How came that law of 1843 on the statute book?

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der reigned in Warsaw. And now, upon this matter of the removal of Judge Loring, again the gentleman is aroused. He says we need no aid...

The gentleman is troubled now, as he has before, about the independence of the Judiciary. It was said by some that it was not a single law, but a certain character, (I forget his name), for when he wanted to prove an assertion, or strengthen an argument, he always told something which happened...

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assisted by our officers and judges; and when, in open defiance of that command, a man has preferred to serve the Federal Government to serving us...

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