

THE following extract from the *N. Y. Tribune* will show to what stupendous frauds the Democratic party will have recourse to carry their objects. It relates to the great majority in Johnson County, Kansas:

"We understand from a resident of Quindaro, who left Kansas on the 16th inst., that the fraud in Johnson County was even more barefaced than we had supposed it to be. When the polls closed in the Oxford precinct on election day, not more than seventy votes had been cast, that is not much more than four times the number which could legally have been thrown in a town containing just eleven houses. The next morning Col. Titus and Sheriff Jones rode down to Oxford and had a conference with the judges and clerks of election. The polls were presently opened again, but not to receive votes; simply for the convenience of the judges, who devoted the day to registering the names—not of persons present who had no right to vote, not of Missourians who had crossed the river—but of names, airless, bodiless names, attached to no known persons. By nightfall, 1,524 votes were registered, and Johnson County is now officially reported to have been carried by 1,604 majority. A number of Free State men rode down to Oxford the next day to call upon the judges of election, but they were not to be found. Our informant says that Gov. Walker and Secretary Stanton preterd great indignation at the Johnson County fraud, and swear that they will not see it carried out. We shall see. Should its vote be rejected the Free State party will have the Legislature by a large majority."

Another writer says:

"The fraud is so barefaced that even Driggs, the editor of *The Leecompton National Democrat*, spoke denunciatory of the proceedings, and declared that Stanton would never permit the certificate to be given to any but those elected by legal votes—the Free State candidates. The ruffians were aware that the election could not be carried by fair means and consequently have resorted to fraud."

Another in Quindaro says:

"The official vote, so far as returned at Leecompton, differs materially from the reports forwarded to the States. The Free State men have been defrauded of the Legislature by most palpable frauds—frauds perpetrated by Missouri invaders. Oxford, a little place in Johnson County, directly on the State line, on the first day of the election, polled 88 votes. Since then the number has been swelled to 1,400, which makes the pro-slavery majority in Johnson County 1,604, instead of about 200, as reported heretofore. The voting was finished in every part of the county except at Oxford, on Monday, and it is not as populous a precinct as some others in the county. Johnson County being connected with Douglas, the heavy Free State vote in this latter populous county is overwhelmed, giving the Pro-Slavery party eight representatives and three councilmen at one fell swoop."

The *Lawrence Republican* says:

"We learn that Secretary Stanton openly avows his conviction that the returns are fraudulent, and, of course, under such circumstances, he can give no certificates based upon them. Indeed, should an attempt be made to defraud the members rightfully elected by the people, of their seats, by the admission of these fraudulent returns, we think we speak advisedly when we say, that the peace of the whole Territory would be immediately and most imminently hazarded thereby. The people of Kansas have staked their all almost, upon this election, and now they *will not stand it* to be defrauded again out of their just rights. If it be again demonstrated to us that there is no reliance to be placed upon the ballot box, what alternative is left but that of perpetual degradation and slavery, or a prompt recurrence to the final resort of oppressed and down-trodden peoples? Those now in authority—especially the secretary and Governor have resting upon them, at this moment, a most awful responsibility. Upon their wisdom and justice in this case depends the peace of Kansas, and, we may add, the peace and perpetuity of the Union."