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Northern Men in Virginia

The *Richmond Enquirer*, in an article upon the reception and social standing of Northern men in Virginia, candidly says: "There have been, and there are still, some Northern men in Virginia who, while they are treated civilly, are not taken by the hand with the cordiality which is extended to others. It is not because they are Northern men; not because they are not natives here; not because they thought and fought against us in the war; but because they have been busy in the business of the demagogue, the adventurer, the self-seeking politician poisoning the mind of the negro against his former master—creating bad feeling on the part of the colored race toward the white race; and thus disturbing the harmony of our society, retarding the progress of our people, and impairing the prospect of prosperity for out State. Such men would not, and could not, command the confidence and esteem of their fellow-men any more in Massachusetts than in Virginia. They are workers only in the ways of evil. They are the enemies of everybody but themselves.