

hands of the Administration, be a bullet in the heart of a free settler. The House ought to know it too, and act accordingly. The whole country ought to know it.

New England has given to the land a President who is determined that Kansas shall have Slavery or blood. His second proclamation is like the apocalyptic vision. "And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain, burning with fire, was cast into the sea; and the third part of the sea became blood." So will armed Slavery be cast into Kansas. But will not these rivers of blood dash against the Alleghanies, and that fire flash along the line between the North and South?

Peace in Kansas will be peace everywhere. War there will be war all over the land. Now it can be stopped. But fear will not do it. A truculent peace will not do it. Indolence and presumptuous prayer will but hasten the mischief. When tyrants are in arms, they who cry peace become their confederates. Manliness, action, courage, and ample preparations for defence, will stop the danger. The Providence that will help us is that Providence which we help. God works for those who work for Him. When He answers prayer for harvests, He inspires men to work, and petitions for crops and harvests are answered through ploughs and spades. And God will answer prayers for peace, by inspiring men with justice, with abhorrence of oppression, by making good men bold and active, and bad men feeble and cowardly; by stopping the ears of the community to the counsels of cowards and hypocrites.

Let every man in this awful crisis not fail to PRAY. And, that they may pray without hypocrisy, let them watch and work! How shall we dare ask God to save us from bloodshed, when we will not use the means which He has put into our hands? Faith without works, and prayer without works, are dead—stone dead. Let emigrants go thither by hundreds, and pray as they go! Let them that have money now pour it out, and pray as they give! Let them that have sons in Kansas send them arms, and pray that they may have no occasion to use them; but that if they must be used, that the son may so wield them that the mother be not ashamed of the son whom she bore! Let men that have influence speak out! Let ministers and Christian freemen now, if ever, speak against barbarism, and uphold the whole retinue of Christian institutions! Let those whose tongue has been hitherto palsied by evil advisers, now loosen their tongue and speak!

*Of whom will the land take counsel?* There have been two sorts of counsellors hitherto. One has pointed out for twenty years the nature of Slavery, its tendencies, the dangers which it threatened; and all the prophecies have come true. The other kind of counsellors have predicted peace, dissuaded from action,