

Mississippi

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I regret to see that our Democratic party is getting
radly out of joint. The late attack of the Senate on
the freedom of the press is equal in atrocity to the Sedition
law. Mr Ritchie will be triumphantly sustained by the
public voice. x x x I trust, however, that the principles
and measures of our Democratic administration will
yet triumph, despite all opposition. We have enough
able and true men left who will not suffer by a
comparison with Calhoun and ———, Walker, Cop,
Buchanan, Wright, and Allen, are men in whom the
country can proudly trust. And Mr Polk has, since
he has been President, by his able State papers, his
clear, accurate and dispassionate judgment, his
impartiality, calm and undeviating course, firmness
and nerve, immortalized himself.

I am, and always have been a nullifier,
and until last Dec. a great admirer of
Calhoun, and believe him now one of the

ablest Statesmen in the world. But I have now
done with him.

I have no doubt, all obstacles to the contrary
notwithstanding, that the Mexican war, the Sub-Treasury
and Free Trade, will all yet triumph, and we shall
have New Mexico and California.