

WH-Y, my doughty Citizen! did you not write *fool* at full length?---had you recollection enough to remember that he who is fond of applying this appellation, becomes, of course, entitled to it;---or did you think it would cause more enquiries to ascertain who used it, than for whom it was intended, and so mince it with a blank to have a *sort* of a salvo in either case! know, Citizen! that it can be no mortification to me to be rated *fool* or *small game* by a man whose afflicted imagination has taken such liberties with his own person and its appurtenances, as you have, in time past, done; nor think, that your military character is forgot, when I use language of that kind, which nothing but your own folly could extort from me;---that character, Sir, shall be respected when you appear in it!

You might with equal propriety call him who laughs at a recruiting serjeant, an insisted volunteer, as tyle me so, in the point of view you have done. It was to accommodate the subject to your Roman ideas, that I introduced the *augurs* and *aruspex*,---I could find no *sacred* inspectors of any description whatever in modern times, so that you yourself is intitled to the sole merit of the beautiful *similitude* you have discovered: I avoided discussions on this head, and volunteered (as you term it) on a score, which I mentioned *did* concern me.

You have told something about your speculation in the *Upper Mississippi company*,---now, I will relate something about your *Georgia company* one. You complained of great injury in having been left out in the original distribution of shares, and the late attorney general you heavily accused as the author of your disappointment; these circumstances had only to be mentioned at the proper time and place to remedy the injury;---there was a considerable quantity of reverted land in the company's possession when this affair came before them, and Mr. Clayton was authorized to offer you any quantity of land you could pay for at the original price; but unluckily your funds were not adequate to the purchase of any more than the *half of the half of a sub-share*!!! Thus, it will appear that you are perfectly entitled to expatiate on the rapacity of *Yazoo rooks* whose *stomachs* were more capacious than their purses. I have to acknowledge myself mistaken about the purchase of the inspection,---I find, you gave a negroe for the COOPERAGE and got the *inspector's* place to boot!

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N. B. I expect some materials will soon fall into my hands, by which I shall be enabled to give a clearer detail of both your *Yazoo speculations*.