

HAVING observed in the Southern Centinel of the eighteenth instant, a note with remarks on the proceedings of the late grand jury of Jefferson county, which contains matter derogatory of truth; as members of that jury, we feel it our duty to make known to the public the glaring falsehoods therein contained, and therefore request you to publish the following observations thereon.

First. We say that however apparent a general satisfaction may have been to the writer of that note, on the delivery of the charge, we neither discovered it in the countenances, or ever heard one approbatory sentence of it uttered either in or out of the grand jury.

Secondly. That it was proposed and not objected to, that there should be no party presentments, may be true; but to have entered into any such determination would have been equally improper and unnecessary; the oath we had taken having prescribed our limits; and that the grand jury agreed to enter on none but county business is *false* and would certainly have been contrary to our oaths.

Thirdly. That any individual interview took place between the governor, and any member whose name is hereunto subscribed, (either previous to the meeting or during the session of the court on the subject of the concluding paragraph of our presentments or any other subject directly or indirectly relating thereto) is a wilful and malicious falsehood.

Fourthly. Notwithstanding all the keen discernments of the writer of that note, he has certainly mistaken the descent if not the features of the *child*, and that his mind is incapable of comprehending what interference and party is, there can be no doubt, or he certainly must have discovered them in the judge's charge to that jury, which, however, we observe, his honor has been careful to publish only in part.

The author of that illiberal note has prudently withheld his name, and given us no other criterion by which we can judge of his merit but from that performance; he must therefore be too contemptible to enquire after, or some of us might feel ourselves disposed to notice him in some other way, as well as in a confutation of his falsehoods.

We are further constrained to observe to the public, that we should have felt more injured by the remarks contained in that note, as well as by the judge's charge, but from our observing a similarity in his charges (and no doubt for similar purposes). From the commencement of the present circuit we find he has been uniform in his attacks on the late as well as all preceding grand juries for several years past, which makes our case but a common one with our fellow-citizens.

James Parsons,	Vinson Rowell,
John Raiford,	Mathew Caswell,
Joseph Barber,	David Jameson,
John Harrington,	John Clements,
Thomas Neely,	Benja. Daisey,
Blase. Harvey,	Z. Lamar,
Joseph Chairs,	Abner Hammond,
Benjamin Browning,	Bird Tarver,
James Spivy,	John Jacob Schley,
Peter Chastine,	John Kennedy.

Note. It will be observed, every member of the jury who signed the presentments have subscribed to the above, except Mr. Philip Clayton.