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and districts - & grant safe-
guards for travellers, levy toll
& murder & rob - after the
manner of the banditti of
Spain & Italy."

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difficulty of restoring order in Miss
La - & parts of Ala - "Law is dead"
over a great part of these states - deserters
from the rebel armies rove at will over
the country, plunder for a living &
kill for their amusement. The "Republic
of Jones" which set up for itself some
(Jones) 18 mos ago in a Mississippi
county, & declared its independence
of both rebels & the Union has
many imitators through that distracted
region we are told, desperadoes, ga-
thered in companies have imposed
their rule over certain tracts -

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