History 498 Devine Spring 2018

Response #2

In this response, I would like you to focus on Shelley Fisher Fishkin's essay about Twain's *Pudd'nhead Wilson*, "The Tales He Couldn't Tell..." and answer the following questions:

- 1. How (and how well) does Fishkin make the case that Twain's novel is anti-racist and that Twain himself was well ahead of most Americans when it came to rejecting racism and the ideology of White Supremacy?
- 2. Fishkin argues Twain must level his critique of racism and White Supremacy "indirectly." How does he go about doing this?