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Reflection

While the march described here isn't the Trail of Tears, the characteristics are strikingly similar. Time and time again, the public needs to be reprimanded, or chastised. No country is perfect, that is true. Also true is the fact that millions immigrated to the United States in search of a better life. What Americans tend to forget, ah, overlook, is the fact that the Native Americans were the first inhabitants of North America, helping the first settlers here. In return, they were wiped out by Old World diseases, slaughtered, and forced in walking thousands of miles to be herded onto reservations. I remember hearing a story of a Native American woman who refused to take a twenty-dollar bill bearing Andrew Jackson's head. One can hardly blame her, President Jackson being the one who commissioned the Indian Removal Act of 1832. So saying, it is difficult, at best, to forgive and ignore, for lack of a better word, the harsh conditions of old.