

A Letter from Home

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A letter to his friend and business partner, Mr. Pomeroy in Springfield Illinois shortly after inauguration.

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Washington D.C.

My dear friend,

I am slow to listen to criminations among friends and never espouse their quarrels on either side. My sincere wish is that both sides will allow by-gones to be by-gones and look to the present and future only. I wrote that in August 1860 regarding the feud between Know-Nothing Simon Cameron and Whig/Peoples Party candidate Andrew Curtin. My thanks go to Mr Alexander McPlure of Chambersburg who helped steer your delegates from Cameron to me in the 1860 Chicago convention.

Abraham Lincoln

