

Springfield, Ill. July 6, 1859.

Hon: Schuyler Colfax;

My dear Sir;

I much regret - not - seeing you while you were here among us - Before learning that you were to be at Jacksonville on the 4<sup>th</sup>. I had given my word to be at - another place. Besides a strong desire to make your personal acquaintance, I was anxious to speak with you on politics a little more fully than I can well do in a letter - My main object - in such conversation would be to hedge against - divisions in the

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