

Fairoaks March 7 1858

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I expect to see Biggs before he goes down and have a talk with him. At present I think it best that he should get some votes in the Convention as his support of you afterwards will be more effectual with the public than if he were to withdraw. His friends here feel the same way about it. Even those and they are a majority who think it would be suicidal for him to be nominated and even elected. I hope the matter will be arranged so as not to hurt his feelings or his pride. If nominated for judge of course I do not expect to take any public part in the canvass. By all means have Del. and Res. slump this country.

Your friend

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