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Pleasant Hill
O.I.P Mar 1859

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Please not use it so as to be identified by Lane or his friends, for the reason that this county may instruct for him if he draws for the short term, when I would be compelled to vote for him or resign.

I know very well that if he is a candidate for reelection, you will not like to see him succeed--and in consideration of such being the probabilities of the case, allow me to express the hope that Smith will draw the short term, when there will be no contention.

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So far as we can influence any thing with the democracy here in view of the convention-- we will do it for Grover's nomination-- though in reality he needs no help.

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Respectfully and truly yours

W. W. Bristow

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