

Portland, Ore.

April 21, 1889

Dear Bush,

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I must insist on this one thing-- "the war of the Rebellion."

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However, I never had any opinion of Douglas. He will known in history, as a restless unscrupulous demagogue who to further his vulgar ambition tuckered with the slavery question, unless he precipitated a war between the sections, which but for him might never have occurred.

I am sorry for your affliction, but hope it will not keep you from assisting at the celebration at Portland, on the 30th ult. I have just put in a couple of gaslight hours preparing my "Wa-Wa" for the occasion, and I have a fancy I would like to have one of my old room mates at Mother Hoods in the audience. You are the only one left above ground. Please come.

Good night

Yours &c

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