

Wraham Lincoln

In
you will be
by on the 11th of March 1846 by a
Louisiana River we are united and on
in a way
Agony and

BEWARE

Wm. D. Bell



Washington, D.C.
November 24, 1860.

Dear Sir,

George had his Centurion Charles the First his command
And the President may profit by their example.

From me of a sworn Band of
10 who have resolved to shoot you from
the south side of the Avenue - in
the inaugural procession - on the
4th March 1861.

Yours
vindex.

Sir - This is to inform
you that there is
a club of 100 young
men in this place
who have sworn
to murder you

Joe Bradley,
Joe Roints,
Mike O'Brien

Cambridge, Ga November 15th 1860

Hon Abraham Lincoln

Dear Sir - Pardon us (three) South-

erners for this seeming impertinence, and forget
not that patriotism and the Union take prompt
the epistle. We honor and revere the memories of
Clay and Webster; yea, we even have leaning-
towards those who politically agreed with
and supported them and their measures, even
though many of them have departed from
the Conservative, statesman-like paths they
made.

Our Union of States is in
danger; the cause is easily accounted for.
You have been Constitutionally elected Pres-
ident, but you cannot claim to be the
President of the Union - only that of a section.

The avowed principles of the party that
has elected you are opposed to the most
vital interests of the Southern States. We
of the South expect you as the Representa-
tive of our party, ^{to} in furtherance of those
measures as promulgated by Sevier, Sumner,
Wilson and others of like stamp. We have read
their denunciations against us and our institu-
tions. We have deemed their principles as

impracticable; but no longer are these anti-slavery harangues a "sounding brass and tinkling symbol" - they are reality - and operative in our midst. Can you blame the South for her opposition to you and your party's principles, when her very existence is threatened? Can you, Mr. Lincoln?

You know that this Union of States cost much gallant blood and goodly treasure. You know to what extent our common country has been an asylum to ^{the} despised and oppressed of other nations - and now our and your country, with all its varied yet common interests, is overshadowed with gloom, financially, politically and commercially. The Union of late has been only in name, not in fact - and can we to-day even say it is a Union in name?

Mr. Lincoln - on the 6th inst our Union in fact, in name and in common interest terminated its existence. Is it seems to us there is yet a remedy that will restore all to wonted prosperity and the common weal of a great and glorious Republic? That remedy is: Can you refuse to act as President, and ask a request your Electoral friends

throughout the Northern States, when they meet
in the electoral college, to cast their vote
for John Bell of Tenn. and Edward Everett
of Mass. They are great, good and sound men,
socially and politically. Such a course on
your part will restore peace to our now-
distracted country; drive Democracy from
power; set up public virtue in the place of
vice; besides it would prove you a patriot
and the friend of the Union and the con-
stitution; and further, it would show you to
think respect the great interests of our country
more than a four-years seat ^{in the} presidential
Chair. We conjure you in the name of
of truth, in the name of patriotism, and in
the name of all the trials which Washington
and his Compatriots endured to secure the blessing
of liberty we now enjoy; and in the name
of the glory which be decks our National
Escutcheon; yes, we conjure you for your
own sake and ours to ponder seriously
over this tedious and imperfect Epistle.

Meanwhile, hoping for a short reply
and a copy of your speeches, the principles
in which we hear you shall maintain as
President, accompanying - We are your fellow-
Citizen and Henry Clay Whig - Over Please

Yours Most Respectfully:

Levi M. Griffin J.D.

Joseph Saw.

Alex: N. Murphy



Mr. Abraham Lincoln
Springfield

From Georgia

Illinois

Carrollton Ga
Dec 11 1860

Abraham Lincoln
Sir

Being certain
that you have been elected President
of what ~~was~~ ~~once~~ ~~called~~ the United
States and knowing that your
principles are unconstitutional
and treasonable - also that your
death would greatly benefit the
whole Country - I therefore pro-
pose to meet you in mortal com-
bat - at Harper's Ferry on Washing-
ton's birth-day, the 22nd of Febru-
ary. The weapons shall be double
barrelled shot-guns ^{with barrel} loaded with
lighten buck shot &c. I shall be
just you to have a white man for
your second. If you fight and
are killed or prove too cowardly
to meet me send on mulatto
Hamilton and I will settle the busi-
ness with him. Let me hear
from you immediately in order
that I may be ready at the approp-
riate time to meet and kill you - a
bold braver - If you do not ac-
cept - I will publish you as a cum-
ard - Copy of this letter has
been sent to the Carrollton Ad-
vocate for publication.

Robert Hemmicks

Charleston S.C. Nov 19 1860

Dear Mr.

Allow me to take this my earliest opportunity of congratulating you on your recent election to the "ever highest office in the gift of the people" No doubt both you & your colored associate feel quite proud of (as you no doubt think) your near approach to the White House & to the seat once occupied by such men as Washington, Jefferson, Adams, & now graced by the venerable form of James Buchanan. The Standard & a young friend of mine has sent you the Epitaph of our once glorious Union, & a accompanying pamphlet, it will be useless for me at this time to refer to them, only to say that had I known of his intention earlier, I would have advised him to send something simpler, in order that it might be appreciated by one of your very limited education.

Should you ever expect to rule over the free educated people of S.C. let me beg of you not to lay that "glatteringunction to your soul"

I am authorized to say that
they will never have for their President
"a nail & splinter"

Remember me to your friend Standish
(down South, we call respectable mutatto
Lardysse) but as your colleague is
not of that high order of individuals
it would be improper for me to give
anything to his name except such as
is generally professed to fall birds
such as rascals, thieves, or some thing
of that sort to kill him, for we think
the people of these United States
will never consent ^{to have} a person so much
inferior to a white man, to occupy
the chair now held by that good
Southern gentleman John C. Buchanan.
Allow me in conclusion to say that
before many days have passed over
your head, that the sovereign State of
So Cal will in consequence of the triumph
of a sectional candidate (one who did
not receive a single vote in any of
the Southern States, or the respectable
portion of the Union) declare herself
to be an independant & separate confed-
eracy thus placing herself in her
original & true position.

Never expect to occupy the White
House (when you get into it, it will be
a Black House) for that it is only
intended for Southern Gentlemen
& not for Black Republicans &
mulatto scamps.

And so with the earnest wish
that you will live to see the
downfall of the northern portion
of the confederacy, the
rapid rise of this Southern
Confederacy, I will leave you
with your feelings (if you have
any)

Respectfully,
S. C.