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My dear wife:

We had hard time today. "Daddy" Cowles, undertook to brow beat me and prevent my having my rights. He was read over my resolution of yesterday and thought there was an opportunity to get the windward of the whole Convention and me, in particular. He made a sad failure. He had me arrested and brought before the bar of the House. The Convention released me by an almost unanimous vote, only one voting against it, from "unlawful arrest" as the Resolution phrased it, and greeted my return to my seat with such a storm of applause as we have not had here before.

Yours Truly

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