

Greensboro N. C.,

Sept. 15th 1878-

My Dear Wife:

I returned from Kureayville this morning and found a letter awaiting me, as I expected to do. I am very glad, indeed, that you are enjoying your pleasant surroundings so thoroughly. It does a great deal towards making me happy to know that you are so. I do not know that I have any news to tell you. All Republicans here are brightened nearly out of their wits by the Maine election. Somehow, I am not much disturbed. In fact, I do not seem to care so very much about the matter, anyhow.

If I am defeated, I shall not be surprised nor shall I be elated, if successful. I know I am right and shall not trouble myself about it. The convention meets this week and then I

shall make a canvass with Winston
in Randolph and Davidson. Our regu-
lar campaign does not begin until Oct,
1st. - If the Committee does not give me
some money, I shall not make the can-
vass. That is all.

I am standing the cam-
paign splendidly. It does not hurt me
to speak at all - never spoke so ea-
sily before.

The long rides &c make me
tired but that is all - I am not feeling
very well today but have been writing
nearly all day.

I believe I promised you a long
letter today but somehow I do not feel
like writing it - I send you enclosed
a letter from J. R. Howards, in
reference to the plates of Soule's -
If I had the \$50 - would take him
up - I think I must make arrangements
to do so anyhow -

I shall not go to Bhatsum Court -
as I have to be in Graham on Wednes-
day - at the Convention -

Write often dear, your letters cheer
me more than you can imagine. Kiss
my little girl a great many times for
me and tell her her papa thinks of
her very often and always wishes he
was with her and away from this wear-
ing land of strife and hate. I must bear
my burthen though and will do it as
bravely as I may -

Yours truly
A. S. Bourgeois