



Raleigh Apl. 8th 1869

Judge Sargis. - Welker rec'd a letter from Abbott last night, stating that he had seen Lash about the proposed change in the 5th Dist, and that he (Lash) says he is not going to recommend a change soon. French has just returned from Washington, and tells me the same. From what I have been able to learn of Lash for some time, I have not thought it worth while to go to Washington, to look after the matter. Had I thought there was any hopes of success I should have gone ere now. He has been "carrying water on both shoulders". I may go to see

him at Salem after adjournment,
and know of him what he means
May be he intends to make the
change after he gets home,
"Mindy Billy" as you are no doubt
aware, has got a "posish" in the
6th Dist, Grant has been deceived
one time.

Respectfully

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