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Take care & understanding
Remarking Co. Pa.

Dear Sir

Doubtless you are overwhelmed with letters, but as you have brought the deluge on your own head by that flood gate marked "N. B." in the front of your book, you will have to submit to it with the best grace you may find possible.

Words fail me when I attempt to portray my high appreciation of the account you have rendered of your "Errand". The skill and wisdom which you evince in handling that vexed Southern Problem seems to me little short of inspirational.

A northern man, who has never been below Mason's and Dixon's line can no more form an idea of the state of affairs down there, than one of this middle earth could paint a true picture of either Heaven or hell. I have paid two visits South and each time spent several weeks in that hot bed of rebellion - Georgia City. It was there when the news of the democratic victory of 1844 was received with the wildest enthusiasm. From that hour the South was roused to commit new deeds of violence and bloodshed. The lukewarm republicans who took no interest in the elections that fall have much blood to answer for.

To learn the true inwardness of the Southern feeling you must go to places remote from railroads and visit among the best families. How tenderly they speak of the dead Confederacy and sigh over the lost cause as they would above the grave of a dead infant.

You have brought out the book just in the nick of time and I know it will prove a most effective campaign document, and for this cause I rejoice over it with exceedingly great joy. I see your work has been compared with that of Mrs. Stowe, but in my opinion she has only written like a woman, while you have talked like a man.

Should you think this hum-
ble tribute to the worth of
your truly wonderful volume
worthy of a reply it will
be gladly received by your
warm admirer (and fellow-fool)
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