

Wilmington N. C.

Aug. 10. 1869

My Dear Judge -

Yours of the 5th. was only received by me last night. Charles J. Brady is editor of the Post. Any communication which you desire to get in please send to me, and I will attend to it. = I do not think we are to have much of a brush on the carpet bag question, because I think they will move it when the time comes. They have no other course but to do it unless they make a very extensive alliance with the present conservatives. They will certainly if they do that get cheated. My speech was suggested by the state of affairs at Wilmington and was intended mainly for the safe fear, but like an Almonroe would doubtless

I took no part in the Charlotte
Road matter. I may have my
private opinion as to Holden's course,
but neither took nor do I intend
to take any part in the impregio.

Now, for the next, "let us
proy" - for great enlightenment of
mind among the "public mind" and
the stuccoid Republicans - and
stand fast. I think Mr. Shall
come out all right. All
wanted is a solid front.
Kind regards to Mrs. G. and
believe me

Very truly
Joseph C. Abbott

I will attend to the commencement.

Answer for the surrounding
country. It made an awful shaking
around here among ~~among~~ the feeble-
kneed and "those of little faith." Old Dock-
ery looked out into vacuity and held
his belly with ^{both hands with} great earnestness and in
grave consideration, and his son Oliver
subbed his head as if there might
be an idea somewhere. Altogether
the speech may answer as a small
piece of artillery to show that we
are in position. I do not think it best
to push matters much, and certainly
not with reference to anything per-
sonal to myself to the detriment
of the party, but merely to keep
steady and not be run over.
We owe something to the State as
well as something to our own
self respect and interest, and
~~interest~~ the best preparation for
coming events is to be united so
that we can have concert of action.
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