

Department of Justice.

Washington 20 June 1874

Indy Jones

Dear Sir

I very much regret that you
are not the nominee in the Fourth District. I
thought, & think, the chances rather good for a Republican
candidate. But you were willing to try, & I was sure
that the cause would have been more ably promoted
to any body willing to bear a trial; and that objections
were the immediate fruit, and could have been
seen for good results hereafter. I was not sure
that your ability would not tell in favor of a free
proceeding vote in August. But of that I had my
doubts. But things could have been stirred up from
top to bottom, & we should have seen what we should
have seen in the way of voting. As it is I shall have
to put away that anticipated campaign & possible victory

with the label which Whittier has given us for many
of our dreams, by day or night - It might have been!

Dear like true heroes, & there are places & positions
which demand you, & it cannot be that their voice
will not be heard & heeded. You have been of very
great service to new North Carolina; by general con-
sent no man more so. You have carried weight & won
a race, with marked brilliancy & success, - others there
have been no "thousand pounds" in it.

No doubt a man like yourself feels keenly the standing
of a poor child head & an honorable station and a
fitting stage for the exertion & display of his faculties. It
will open again for you at some later stage. In the mean-
time I bear you part in your regrets.

With regards to dear Tongue

I am, yours truly,
J. H. Phillips