

Washington, July 11-1848

Dear William:

Yours of the 3rd is this moment received; and I hardly need say, it gives unalloyed pleasure - I now almost regret writing the serious, long faced letter, I wrote yesterday; but let the past be nothing be. Go it while you're young! I write this in the confusion of the U. S., and with several other things to attend to - I will send you about eight different speeches this evening; and as to kissing a pretty girl, I know one very pretty one, but I guess she won't let me kiss her.

Yours forever
A. Lincoln