Lincoln, Dec. 19th 54

My dear Sir, I am in the receipt of your favor of the 27th, and have delayed answering until I could have a personal interview with Mr. Doug.

I saw Mr. Doug at this place - a few days since, he is an old line Whig, and he assures me that it would afford him great pleasure to see your elevation to the Senate. He is under a kind of quiescent pledge however, to support a Republican Democrat, and if he can exonerate any that pledge by some form of a support, he assures me he will do so and that his active influence shall be in your favor.

It will perhaps be well for you to join his acquaintance immediately on his arrival at Springfield and I have but little doubt of the result.

 Permit me to assure you my dearest Sir, that nothing which could occur in the political world would afford me so much pleasure as to the honor of your elevation to the

US Senate.

Yours truly,

Abraham Lincoln
A Mr. Callen
Dec. 1861
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Springfield
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