

Springfield, Ills. March 16. 1855

A. L. Brewer, Esq
Dear Sir

Your letter of the 8th is just received. It has all the while been understood that the estate of Blackledge is solvent, & that the Kelly claim is good. After I sent back to you & got the authentication of record corrected, I commenced a suit in the Circuit court, and about this time Blackledge died. The case is not in the county of my residence, so that I am only there at the terms of the Circuit court. At the first term after B's death, my partner, who was attending court in that county that term, dismissed the suit and filed the record in the Probate court as a claim against the estate. This we both thought was the best way of doing. Last fall I turned out of my way to come by that county to see after the claim, and was surprised to be told that the claim had not been allowed, or acted on. On the 2nd of April Court takes me there again, when I shall give special attention to the matter.

Yours H.
A. Lincoln