

Alton, Aug. 24, 1857.

Dear Sir,

I have just
read & am delighted with
the debate at Ottawa - In
manner, temper, spirit,
eloquence & every thing
else you have obtained
a complete triumph
over the little Pitt-fogger,
for really that is all he
is - It seems to me
that the debate at Otta-
wa ought to be ~~able~~
sufficient to decide the
contest with all intelli-
gent men, & it ought

to be read by every man in
the state. Things here look
quite as favorably as I
expected. I am to speak
here to-morrow evening, &
Blair & Brown of St. Louis
have promised to come up
to the meeting. Do not
fail to be at Springfield
on the 28th. I think it
all important you should
be there even at the expense
of some apprehension, if
you cannot otherwise do so.

A reaction has commen-
ced against Douglas -
~~His~~ ^{His} best friends, by coming
to Edwardsville.

Very truly Yrs
Lyman Trumbull

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