

Fayetteville Nov 30/58

Hon A. Lincoln

Dear Sir



I have not yet  
heard of the issue, of a writ of election, to  
fill the vacancy occasioned by Major Harrow's death.  
Would it not be well to defer the election  
for the full term, until Nov 30 - at our  
regular election. Parties are so situated  
in the present hour, that a member, for  
the present term, (if we could elect one) would  
not avail us any thing. In the next  
Congress, we shall be differently situated -  
yet not so well off, but that another  
member, to the Republican press, would  
be very acceptable. By waiting until  
next fall the furor, of the late conflict  
will have subsided, - and we have more  
time to set our stakes; at most we could  
but be beaten; and we might possibly  
succeed, especially should the Douglas -  
democracy, in Congress, this winter, have

to pass the measure, in an effort  
to frame a Slavery Code for the Territories  
should the writ not have been already  
issued; would it not be well to see  
the Government, upon this subject.

Yours Truly

W. L. Franklin

W. S. French,

[Nov. 30, 1858]

Hon A Lincoln  
Springfield  
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