

Webster Jan 11 1859

Hon, Mr Abraham Lincoln  
Springfield Ill.



My Dear old Friend

I take pleasure to inform you that your  
old friend Shew has failed to comply  
with your Request to pay us for furniture  
which you gave him an order to buy  
Twenty five Dollars worth of Furniture  
to Commence House Keeping  
we have not see him for some time but  
I dont think he will pay it I hope you  
will send us the money as we are not trusting  
no furniture out and we expected it would  
be paid at the time as you was an old friend  
Republican of ours

this is a true copy My old friend Henry Shew  
the bearer of this is in a straight for some  
furniture to commence House Keeping if  
any person will furnish him Twenty  
five Dollars worth and if he dont  
pay for it by the first day of January  
next I will Sept 25 1856

witness

C. M. Shuff

A. Lincoln

I am yours very Respectfully  
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