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United States Senate Chamber,

Washington, July 12 1880

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of the 7th instant. Contents noted.

While I thank you for your letter and the invitation extended me, to write an article for "the North American Review" - upon "the question of a Third Term - as a precedent, or as a political expedient." I must decline, for both

public and private business
engage my time and I have
not the leisure, to prepare
such an article for
publication.

With great respect
Yours truly
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