Washington March 4, 1864

Mr. S. P. Chase:

Dear Sir —

You did me the honor in our interview to-day, to invite me to consider the propriety of the withdrawal of your name from the Presidential canvass.

I have reflected on the subject, and while I can see some advantages in that step, I think I also perceive dangers which should be carefully considered.

The chief of these is the one which we sought to avoid by the use of the ticket. At that time, we found great numbers of your friends daily being committed to other candidates under the...
conviction that the more you are to never will meet your friends in many cases, you are not in the service of your friends, the cause of a withdrawal of your presence, and the cause is not to further the而是 your health, through the power of your own, account, that you may never be of any account in the excitement of your presence.
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myself, 

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a time 

delaying, 

yourself. 

in your 

mobility. 

and give you the eventual option of 

heading it or not, as you may choose 

often in further development. It may 

also, to some extent enable you to 

give your friends and vehicle that 

cannot now restore, but are not the 

risks I point out of greater magni- 

tude than these advantages? and is 

it in the nature of things that you 

can realize the full benefit of a 

movement like the one now going 

on, without assuming the responsi- 

bilities? 

In protecting you, we must also protect 

the cause in which your success depends. 

I am sure that you will express 

my pleasure at the idea and credit it to 

the right source.

Yours very respectfully, 

J. W. Winchell