

Springfield, July 28. 1857
Hon. Astenas Hale
Bridgewater - Mass.

My dear Sir:

Yours of the 24th Inst. is just received. I very cheerfully give you my opinion as to the prospects of the Presidential election in this state & Indiana; promising that I am a Fremont man, so that you can make due allowance for my partiality -

I have no doubt, then, that the opposition to Buchanan, in the majority in both these states; but, that opposition being divided between Fremont & Fillmore, places both states in some danger. I think the danger is not great in Indiana; but some greater here. The Fillmore men have no power in either state, beyond ordinary strength, and thereby bettering the chances of Buchanan. They know this; and I still hope the best of them will think better than to throw away their votes for such an object -

Yours Obedt. Servant A. Lincoln

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