

Dear Mr. [unclear] Heaven November 11 #1864  
My Dear Lowell

I sincerely regret to hear of your  
misfortune after battling laboriously and judiciously  
for that which you conceived as being right,  
consistent with your thoughts and a true  
conscientious belief of being in the right, that  
fate should direct otherwise; displacing you  
from a position which has proved beneficial  
and satisfactory to others. Remember that that  
appears to be the selfishness of the world. Men  
differing contrary to others are persecuted for mere  
trivial offenses, offenses if seen in a reasonable  
light would be foolish and illiterate. Being a free  
Country that is under the Constitution each and  
every one has a perfect right to enjoy his opinion  
and not to be persecuted for opinion sake.  
Election has closed, bringing the news of Abraham  
Lincoln's re-election. This State has given some  
two thousand odd for Lincoln. Some doubt  
still rests upon New York. As claimed by both  
parties. Little Mac got three or four States,