

Lexington 24th July 1828

My dear Sir

Your letter of the 7th inst. with its enclosure found me here. The enclosed will explain to you the disposition of the letter, which will be transmitted to Washington, and thence to Boston, where it may arrive in a few days after the receipt here of.

Our friends are animated zealous and confident. My belief is that we shall succeed in the pending election, after a hard contest. Two weeks more will decide the question, and the fact will be better than any conjecture, which is all that I could now offer.

My health has improved, though gradually, and only in such degree as to leave me rather to hope for what is to come, than to be entirely satisfied with what I have.

Clark is with me today, and partakes of the general confidence. A favorable rumor from Louisiana, which has just come, will benefit us, if confirmed, as it must be, or refuted in a few days.

Your faithful friend

H. Clay

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