

William B. Rogers Papers (addendum)
(1/16/1804 - 5/12/1884)

2/16/1861 Letter from W^m G. Ferguson to Mr. [William B.] Rogers.
[Feb. 16, 1861]

Ferguson advises Rogers that it would be better for him to let Ferguson's land grow up in weeds than to rent it for less than \$2 per acre.

The writer remarks that the Union is gone for the present and cannot be restored. He only sees hope in the creation of a middle government of the states which are represented in the Peace Congress.

There is so much of a war element in the states that to divide the states in peace would be a miracle.

Ferguson urges Rogers to read particular Biblical passages, for the Bible is the one thing most needed as a guide. Ferguson claims to have gained peace through prayer in November 1832, and went rejoicing on his way to the election and voted for Henry Clay.

Ferguson refers to some revivals of religion in the towns and country, much prayer, and 25 to 30 conversions. He closes the letter by hoping that he will soon receive news that the Rogers family has attained a state of godly peace.