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Dear Sir,

Last Saturday I rode down to Majr Hughes 7 miles below this on the Bank of the Ohio River, he is the Senator from this County, in the Legislator, I staid all night with him, he gave me a full history of the proseedings of the dodging party that was in the Legislator, and of course he had to give me a history of one individual who lives in your district, M^r Givens, who was a brother Senator with him, but veary unlike him, Maj^r H. says M^r G overshot the mark, for he was unwilling to vote for both of the men to return home who lived in Montgomery County, & run the race over again, that is the contested Election between M^r Mason & Williams, the former had a cirtificet, and took his seat, he was a Jackson man, and said he was perfectly willing to return home & run the race over again, but M^r Williams was unwilling to do so, M^r Givins the godly kind of a Sole, appeared unwilling to trust the Election again to the people, and voted for M^r Williams to take his seat in the Senate for fore yeares, which gave the Adams party a majority in the Senate, this caused M^r Tom-Cat to come over on the Jackson side, yes and Such conduct aught to disgrace any man, M^r G - was of the opinion he wold gain so much creaditit with boath partys as to have the honor of slipping in to Congress next August, but unfortunately to the poore sole he has throw all the fat in the firs, Maj^r Hughs tells me the newes came from your district to Frankfort, that boath partys was a cursing him theare, and the poore creture was like a Motherless Coalt, untill the end of the Session, and I am told he went home in a veary mornefull way for the Sins he had committed and has declined being a Candidate for Congress, it was not only this one outrage he committed while in the Legislator, but theare was many others, Just by his one single vote has caused us to be an the Minority in the Senate next Winter, I will say nothing a bout the other Members that shufled at preasent, but will notis them at another time - I was in

company with John Pope Esq^r one or two hours last Wednesday in this place, he told me that M^r G-was veary sick of the vote he gave to W- and said he was sorry for doing so - I think from what Maj^r H- & M^r P says, your prospects must be brightening, honesty is the best policy -

The time is drawing neer when we may Expect to here of a grate change in the Cabinet, I hope all decks will be swep cleen, for I have & in fact we all have been more abeused then any one party ever was to not resint it, alnd is it posibill that Gen Jackson will suffer any of the Adams men to remain in office, I hope not -

I am a getting old, and am in debt, and must have some money shortly, I have done a grate deal for the good cause, and why should you all neglect me, & not say one word in my behalf, to get me some appointment, you no doubt will see members hovering round the Statehouse looking for offices, & perhaps they never done one thing to advance the good cause, and no doubt many are Bankrupts & Gamblers, I hope you will remember me , I wold be glad to here from you-

Your friend
and ob^t servent William Douglas

I understand M^r Mason was in favour of a Convention and M^r Williams opposed to it, Corperl Givings, is also opposed to a convention, had we have had two votes, Givens & Pope G & Slaughter the bill wold have pased, but the d-1 is in a number of old court men, or we should have had Maj^r Barry Governor of this state at this time - and I am confident this State will never git settled down, untill we have a convention, and M^r Penn & M^r Worden Pope begins to believe the fact, when they find so many men a beausing Judge Oldham for not voting for a Convention, he was a member from this County, and cant be elected from it next August on account of that and some other votes he gave, I am of the opinion that you wold do well to in courage the people in your district that you are not a fraid to trust them, with a convention or any thing else, you may see the propriety of such a course, from the circumstance of November Election, see how the Old Hero ran when it was left to the people, but some of the Adams men has the Impudence to say that they had rather be in Adams situation, with a respectable minority of high minded respectable men, then to be in Gen - Jackson citation to

be Elected by such a low-bread Tag rag & bob tail set as he
was, while we are free let us be free

Life is uncertain, for that reason, I wold be glad to here
how youre little childrens helths is - plese give me your
opinion on things generly - Your friend-----W. D.

Hon - C- Lyon.