

Providence, Nov 3. 1896.

My Dear Deane,

I am waiting in
breathless suspense - as
the fellow said when they were
hanging him - for the result
of this momentous election. It
appears to me our honor and
perpetuity are depending in the
balance. God grant that the
Winley side; I will not say
the "right side" - for you see
even Garrisonian can not make
that other than Mac's side!

Some-times wish I did not
take things so seriously. Nearly
suffer from un-happened mis-
givings. Execution is less than
anticipation of the death-chair;
at least, from my quite lim-
ited experience, I should deem
so. I wish I could be with you
all at the Bolneph, but I have
a close early next morn, and

It will not do to miss it,
Perhaps the next!

My physical constitution
is fighting this autumn. Yes-
terday I had even to take to
my "chick-dinner feed o' dam",
know! We had a jolly initiation
of Psi W last Friday. As ex-
pect I read some "prose
or worse". Had an au-
dacious oration; felt like a
boy orator of the Narragansett.
Speaking of Psi W, I
have an invitation from
the Republican Committee to
sit on the platform (not of
the party - but Exposition Hall)
to hear the returns. Come
in, and I'm going to take
shit for a while - and
show him the fun. It is
great fun, unless the taste
turns, when nothing is more

utterly dismal. But I have
hope! It occurs to me, however,
that some are in either de-
clined or doing some in-
mense lying. It stands to
reason that some body has
to lose. You see my mind
is choke-full of this matter.
I shall have no peace till
it is over, if ever then.

How does Britton's book
affect the Spirit? Does he
not get an un-limited pull?
Shall we have to swallow
all this d-d new theories?
Conning Muscullum and all?
My gorge rises at it, Ehen!
and also - and also me!

Yours ever
W. W. Bailey -



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