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Bellefonte 16 March 1852 Coln Eli Slifer Dear Sir

I notice that an appointment bill has passed the H.B. on second reading and have examined it with no little interest. I take this to be the intention of the majority of that body in framing such a bill. The Democratic party are alive to the fact that they are gradually losing strength in the eastern and western portions of the state, and that the middle and north are this strong and impregnable holds. To pass up an increase corresponding with the decrease, this bill is framed to swallow up the only whig counties in the middle, and make democratic districts thoroughly reliable in the north. Thus it is with Blair Huntingdon and Union, and to accomplish such a purpose they connect Bedford with this county although we are separated from it by high ranges of mountains, and they and we have not an affinity, not a business or social tie to give us a solitary interest in common. I may be mistaken in the design but cannot be in the rank injustice of such an apportionment - we should be connected with Union but if not one

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dist. should remain as it now is and has been constituted for more than thirty years. I presume however the body of which you are a member will not suffer the passage of such a bill and that a fair apportionment will yet be made. I will be pleased to hear from you what is likely to be done. I write now as our people here are alarmed.

Your [act?] [Sect.?] A. G. Curtin

State & Pennsylvania. Office Secretary Commonwealth, Harrisburg, Pa. 18 Meanch 1857 Dyn Eli Sleigen Leeae die I have no death you wier le gratifier to have that I have had it in my hour to give stately I for when you we so anywist an your Chustras magnice and I gave Itality limpeace - the home mothing some him zno tej a. G. Centin

18 March 1857

Hon Eli Slifer

Dear Sir

I have no doubt you will be gratified to hear that I have had it in my power to give Stokely (for whom you are so anxious) one office. Olmstead resigned and I gave Stokely his place. We have nothing more here.

Yrs Tly A. G. Curtin

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15 Sept 1857

Dear Sir

I came to Harrisburg this morning and recd. your letter having been in Phla. I regret that it had not been sent to me as I could have gone up from the city.

How much it is to be regretted that we have not a Union. Our necessity would be certain the Democrats have nominated a weak ticket in Phla and I think from all I could hear the it is possible for the Union Republican and American ticket to [succeed?].

Yrs Tly A. G. Curtin

STATE & PENNSYLVANIA. (Office Secretary Commonwealth, Harrisburg. Pa. 22 hom 1857 Him Re Aleigne here sin How may papers an the in My our land; I luc had the amants in the ignot for that landy last agen and theirich who as the gran the to another the "mile " I think Mute me by but mare have in your judget me should aisfur y the matter Wine A your letter to Thus That Chat at At There's pulm I will be until daturany. In reflection it pour he better to givet you letter him and ar not mark it primate of I am not be melanly wice of It - I am duply pained to buy that me find Mullicum has again no labora pit and her gon the Pul a. le Cecution

22 Nov 1857

Hon

Mr Slifer

Dear Sir

How many papers are there in Snyder County? We had the [announcements?] in them if not from in that County but you and Meredith asks us to give them to another the "Tribune" I think

Write me by first mail how in your judgment we should dispose of the matter. Direct your letters to "[Jones?] Hotel Chestnut St.? Phla" where I will be until Saturday.

On reflections it will be better to direct your letter here & do not mark it private. If I am out here McCauley will open it. I am deeply pained to say that our friend Sullivan has again relapsed [one word illegible] and has given to [Baltimore?] one word illegible.

[yrs] truly
A. G. Curtin