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My dear Gov.:"

I have no very great confidence in your idea of appealing to the press. Give me the control of certain men's newspapers in a District or a State & I can always control the press. A State man aspiring to the Presidency should of course keep himself all the time in a position of availability & should endeavor to infuse his personality into the press to as great an extent as possible but in this country the evil is too vast, the intensity



too various & complicated for  
see me Mac <sup>whose history is explained to</sup> ~~my~~ <sup>my</sup> ~~evil~~ <sup>evil</sup>  
Life to continue to reach  
The masses by conjuring  
special secondary influences  
to the point.

My brother in law  
James Cooper of Georgia  
tells me that with Gardiner  
editor of the "Crested Tanager"  
& Gov. Mac Donald for you  
the Georgia Democracy  
can be brought to sustain  
you in preference to Cobb  
or Douglas. He says that  
Gardiner can do as much  
to make a conservative opinion  
the force of a given mass  
at this time as any other  
man in Georgia. They  
are against Cobb. Gardiner  
is an old friend of my wife  
family & I shall get Cooper



(who is surely a pretty strong man) to talk with him. Gov. Mac Donald has written to me a long letter & is coming he says to see me. If so I shall have an opportunity to discover the exact condition of things in Georgia.

In this State we have ~~one~~ begun for Douglas & another interest is anxious to try Breckinridge. Recently I have had an important conversation with Judge Ellis Lewis. He has declined the Supreme Court & returned to private life. He is a man of large fortune, of great ambition, of very extensive political connections, profound & skillful, & works some



Day to be made a Federal  
Justice Judge. At the Black  
(Attorney General) delivered the opinion  
in the "Pass man" case  
Lewis did the work. He enjoys  
the intimate friend of  
Parker the gov? that is to say,  
I am willing to engage  
in politics in your behalf.  
He wishes to know your  
perception. As it is Parker  
is drifting towards Douglass  
& fear. Should Mr. Buchanan  
prove your active friend  
we can shut all opposition  
but will be be active for  
any one? I have been diligent  
in my power of late to conciliate  
the Foreign & official way without  
yielding any point. They  
are hardly to be trusted tho:  
Can't you visit Phila  
after a while. I am sure it  
would be of service  
Yours friend  
Gov. H. A. Win. R. H. W.