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Abraham Lincoln
Pres. U. States



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Sir

When I had last the pleasure of seeing you, I pressed on you the importance of retaining Gen^l Wool in his present position here, looking to the preservation of the peace of this city, and the cause of the Union.

Present events, which have renewed the efforts of certain parties to remove him, only confirm me in my former convictions; and my object in now addressing you is to throw what weight I can into the scale in favour of his being retained. I am of the opinion that no one whom you could

put in his place, could better
serve the purposes of the gov-
-ernment, in a city whose peace
and tranquility at this time
are in a great measure owing
to his judgement and dis-
-cretion

with sentiments of
the highest regard. Your
servant & friend

John Hopkins