

Lexington Aug 25, 60

Hon. Gerrit Smith Dear Sir, I rec'd your letter and copy of Spooners. I thank you very much. O what a Book Spooner has wrote. Sir that Book will here lie. While this government last twill shake this government to its foundation (here). I hate the Lincoln Party. I would as soon call Hell a paradise a to call the Lincoln Party a Republican Party. Why in a legal & moral point of view as a party they are a regularly organized band of outlaws. Conspirators against the government conspired to prevent 4000000 of citizens from having any of there Constitutional Rights they indorse the slavery principle. Where does it end except in the Complet destruction of our government (have I not just as much right to lay on you and make you my slave as a slave holder in South Carolina has to hold in bondage a slave. O startling doctrine that the Constitution of the U.S. protects no mans rights restrains no crime God save our country, when all the Religion & moral worth of a Country, joins its self to a party promulgating such doctrine & pledge to aid those who have ahead begun the indestruction of those fellows soul & body.

Yours in hast,

John W. Makan

N.B. The state convention will be on the 19 of September next so we will have an electoral tickett in this state the convention will be in this place. The call will be noticed in the pinsaptha I suppose as I sent them a ccopy of the notice.

L Spooner Esq.

My D Sir,

I enclose you a letter I have just recd – it is in south from a current man– you need not return it to me.

G.S.

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