

No. 66

Room in Browns Hotel  
4½ o'clock. Wednesday  
afternoon 15<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1858

Dear Aubrey

I have just awakened  
from a nap. I dreamed that I  
was with you and that you  
were treating me very coldly.  
Now Aubrey, it is wrong in  
you to treat me so, even in  
a dream. I do not know how  
ever that it is "all a dream".  
How about that correspon-  
dence, that we were to keep  
up? I wrote you from Ox-  
ford a long letter (that is,  
long for me), and not a  
line have you given me

mad, and goes charging about  
like an enraged bull, pawing  
the earth, running his horns  
into the ground & cutting up  
turf generally. Davis is silent,  
concentrated & is ~~like a~~  
like a couchant lion  
watching, ready & eager to make  
his leap upon the fatid  
bull. Why don't you write,  
my friend? If you answer  
this I will send you another  
letter & tell you what Brown  
says about Chalmers. If  
you don't I never will. If  
you can't write, get your  
wife to write to Mrs Lamar.  
She will be happy to correspond  
with her. Your friend  
Lamar

My love to your Mother & wife



in reply. Now I know that you  
are subject to fits of laziness,  
and I am not the man to  
sail at that incurable malady.  
But when it comes on & you feel  
it to be your duty to write to me,  
just rouse yourself sufficiently to  
tell your Mother or wife what  
you would like to have said  
to me & then after they write it  
down make one Herculean  
effort & sign your name to it.

Either one of them will do  
that much for me, I am sure.

I am very anxious to hear from  
you indeed. I want to know  
how the Law comes on. I hope  
you will prosecute it vigorously.  
I have taken up Blackstone

to read again, then Story's  
Equity. And by the time I see  
you, I shall be somewhat fresh  
and up. I have an idea of  
studying French, also. Allow me  
to advise you to learn it & Spanish.  
If you could speak the latter, I  
could have you, to day, appoint-  
ed Minister Plenipotentiary  
to Mexico. It is going to be  
the most brilliant & eventful  
mission of the times - provided  
a competent man is sent.

You have seen the magazine  
Specifics & Pacifics, Democrac-  
y divided, & the South gone  
to the dogs.

A bad state of feeling between  
our Senators. Brown is



From  
S. L. C. Lamar  
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To  
Hon S. L. Aubrey  
Holly Springs  
Mississippi

