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Little Rock, Nov. 20, 1829.

Dear Brother:

I have just received your letter of 23rd ult. and am quite diverted at the manner with which you pass over your inexcusable neglect in not answering my letters. You had good reasons for supposing I had discontinued writing, since you had not answered my two last letters. I admire your tact in throwing blame from your own shoulders on mine, and this is not the first specimen I have had.

I have been thinking you would make a good political Editor, and as it is contemplated to establish another paper in this place, I shall avail myself of my acquaintance with the proprietor, to solicit the post of assistant editor for you. It is to be a whole-hog Jackson paper, but you need not mind that; a change of climate will, in all probability, effect a change of principles.

Nothing strange has occurred here since I last wrote. I am well and have been; our Legislature is in session, but will adjourn in a few days. We have a new Governor, and have had considerable addition to our society here. A Baptist meeting house was built here last summer, and was preached in four or five times when first put up, but since been idle. Girls are scarce, and in no great demand. The people are just getting over the fever and ague, and parties are commencing. We are to have all the members of the Legislature here to-night, and also the Governor and Judges of the Superior Court.

But to return to my subject-- why in the name of all that

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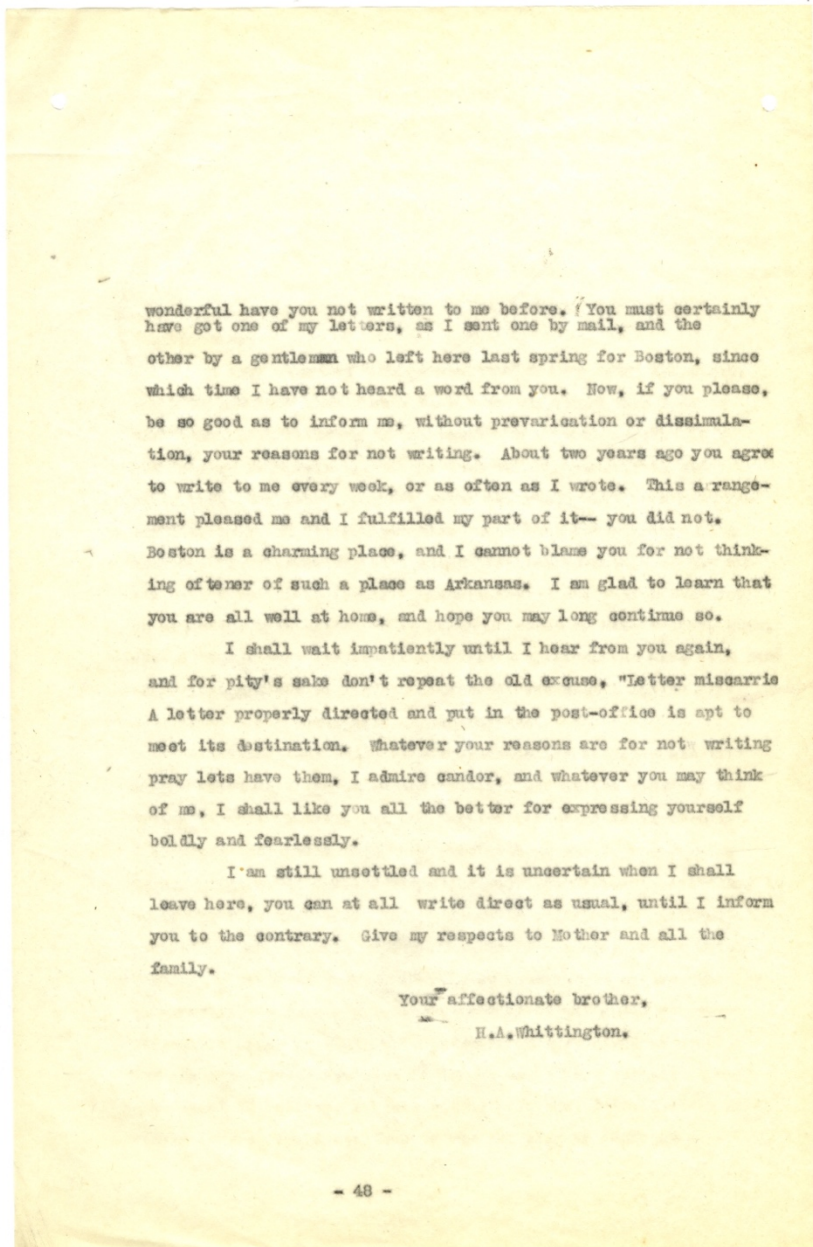
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