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Friend Capt

Sir:

I shall be pleased if you ^{do} me
a favor, one in which our interest is mutual.

I wish a list of names and their Post
offices of persons in your township and the
adjoining ones, for the purpose of sending
franked speeches of Mr. Stevens and others
under his frank. I want a list of such
men who have not been in the habit of receiv-
ing such documents, — men that you think
would be flattered by being noticed by our
Congressman — even Copperheads can be reached
in this way; they would read speeches, that they
would not do if they received them through
any other channel, the idea of being noticed
by a Congressman would flatter them and
soften their opposition and may convert
some of them, which cannot be done by

any other argument. I have effected changes
in this way, - I do not mean the loud
mouthed bravelling kind but the more
quiet kind and such as you think it would
do good - I not care so much about the
names of our leading politicians for they
are always right - I think a list of the poorer
Slaves who do not get the papers as well as
the richer ones, also a few farmers who you
think would be pleased with an agricultural
report - (please mark the latter) - put your
list under the head of their respective Post
offices - do not be afraid to make it
large as we can accommodate all.

I wish the list as soon as you can send
it. We had very cold weather here this
winter though to-day it is quite spring like.

Mr Stevens is in very good health and quite
vigorous.

Yours Truly
J. W. Miller

P.S. Direct to me Box 661 Washg D.C.

You can perhaps get some one to
assist you in the list for Neffville P. O. and
Oregon, enlarge as much you can. over
your section of the County. I think you
will appreciate idea and the good
effect it may produce - I shall be
glad to receive any suggestion you
may make towards advancing the
work.

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