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Gentlemen

I have read your letter of the 11th inviting me to a Harrison Meeting to be held at New Berlin on the 16. day of Septr. next—it would give me great pleasure to see more than I have of the people and the County of Union, whose favorable history is told by the returns of every election; and if in my power I shall comply with your polite invitation. The Erie Convention will be held [on] the 10th Septr. to which I may probably go, and not be able to return by the day of your meeting—I may thus be prevented from being at New Berlin—I shall [?] make considerable exertions to be with you.

With much respect Thaddeus Stevens

[Samuel Winch] [Kleckner] [Tache] Smith & Maclay Committee

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[addressed to:]

Mssrs Samuel [Winck], [Kluckner], [Tisher] Smith & Maclay

New Berlin Union County

[annotated in another hand] Thad. Stevens [word obscured] Pol. Aug.[40]