The start - poetry - family - write

W in 1847 - notice - pd p. abt 34 ovv - Mag. McCs
& work.

Friends there - at least aquintances -
Knew word - reader of newspapers & pamphlets
- Douglas - ~~40~~ 5 - Master of Men

Henry L
Fidelity in generally -

Taken Hold - Tariff -
Men ~~never~~ rarely in politics dues what -
be planned - Greule takes hold of you.
- did of L - not - Tariff - out square -
spot resolutions - spoiled - defense of
what he had done - Fellow excellent
Judy - nacy 2 show in fire felat -

Tracy 14' - Candidate - Indian Club
Politics -
Crewler H. & L. p 29 - Con
Bowshern Delight - in Tay in colleg

I +

Outline

The "grand tour" - this was L's -

society ruled under new circumstance

took their family could being

X Decided upon - to return - [illegible]

not a candidate

2 yrs with expenses paid - [illegible]

Delay here - prices 7 [illegible]

Get most out of it - impressive in

Note Capitol - [illegible]

vote [illegible] plebiscite

agencies - things - [illegible] here

[illegible] - [illegible] on paper

vote capitol - [illegible] 2 [illegible]

[illegible] - [illegible] - [illegible] bills

~~[illegible]~~ expenses - [illegible]

settlements -

with ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] - paper list -

[illegible] rational - [illegible]

best town [illegible]

funny [illegible] [illegible]

Know a member -

Gray Wernadin - partner of
3 yrs now - still a cab.
expects for him re-election

Letter to show he did consolidate
business - name of 20 day
letter —

29
3 militand
1 Agitator
5 Sort 12 (?)
38
4 - Vaulter
145 dup
75 cub

1–12

few minutes after meet Gray
in Chicago –
Took bed sleep – suspension
of somebody highly pleased –
in everything & ~~Bust~~ at his
mess –
His constitution – we asked of him –
– Herndon chiefly – cut –

See N. 24 – for Men
Sheaf of new letters in Gray
14 of them –

show him politically active

p. 33 Gray –
Editor of affair – confidential.

interested – vast human –
Judd in Congress mainly political
Gel – Polk is a liar on Mex War
& keep him own road clear
see statement in Lobbying

~~S~~ 2 - R

~~Get his political philosophy of moment~~
~~real in the Minister speech —~~

~~Jol. of Seward~~
~~seeing slavery at first hand~~
~~Stan Mayflet — p 81 of Mag~~

A political campaign
New Eyeswell — Success —

Personal contact — of first importance
in politics — learning about
men & their ways in
In center of things — most exceptional
Al — corner
Bowling alley — his W. breakfast —
No pest — Grant Congressmen remembered
Butler — going Indiana — Sapiens —
Intellectual life in politics
Vesalius — confident — of success
Given case.

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Whom did he meet?
not on intimacy knew intelli- President-
many

Douglas – patronizing reference to him
p 103 – Rothschild

Mental – see Rice p 397

A man lacking past
Had prepared a Tariff –

Washington

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Same kind of marrying hall in Am

37 - going out of his way 4 3

H. V. II - p 28 3

were things slurred, did he

make positively clear - does not commit - 2 8 clear [illegible]

notion of Polk

Doing nothing more than

in regard 2 clear is practical

Personal - pressure -

D. C -

not - passive policy - step -

What evidence of any line expected -

final elimination?

See Mumford. B. P. Va attitude [illegible]

slavery

An impression of action spirited 2 yr in Am

a man thoroughly enjoying himself

[illegible] with life partly & yet full

[illegible] [illegible] of devil [illegible] - ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] going -

[illegible] day all be 2 [illegible] [illegible] - greatly Etc

[illegible] & ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] in what he [illegible] -

compare with others

Contrast with [illegible]

Had a program - tariff

~~In~~ set himself down - meet criticism of his civil - political issue - encouragement of speculation -

not a contented, unquestioning partisan
— Had to make himself clear —
matter of Mexican War —
all by law was to state particu-
Ostensibly — Spot. 4-1
gist of campaign —
Slavery
Revolt - against executive interference
Spot - Resolution,
What Taylor stood for — May 5 '42 - 2 vol
The will of the people
Everybody expressed — .

conclusion - zeal - convinced
See Peck Herndon letter
Contradict the interpretation J. L
as property - slavery etc - See Stephens

Spot. 4-1 ~~8~~- Autumn-

Awareness of Spot resolution -

Sel - every party clubbing -

Got beaten -

Rivals campaign special - needed -

my over a legitimate league of

order of [illegible]

Didn't dodge [illegible] a Stephen

or repudiate — a [illegible] pure

just 2 political issue —

~~[illegible]~~ Engaged convention -

Engaged [illegible] campaign

stumped in in Massachusetts & party

Enlivened the Whig [illegible] -

See Tracy his struggling

Sel-disp

Served at Farmers ~~[illegible]~~

(5)

Enjoyed political work -
finally a candidate = commits
~~[illegible]~~ Zach-

Preparing for campaign-

6

While he slaved on in N. Y. party discontent – there was ~~to~~ a conference looking in Buffalo which showed plain how things were heading up.

see Chase p. 99.

New England intensified

Sumner – p 51 – break up of impotent party ~~there~~ – see Sumner Free soil

Ln in 42 had publicly & by letter looked forward to day when no slave & no drunkard – out in "Emancipation" in this league – in no league

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What he found was that men were thinking & talking of it as he and his friends very hard done. He had always hated it - & had his limited program - feared extremes - quote 1st 2 & bill - what he had discussed in Congress with W. Pierce & D of C. That these extremes were now active better - obsolete - hating one another them - & they treated evil - He saw nothing but evil out of this violence - To defend slavery as a good was beyond his ⓒ - While a southern born a slave holder & taught to believe in the necessity & natural right of the institution - he could not do it - But this he feared a calamity - Some Mass men who taught - letter here talked - public demand it - not later in [illegible] -

~~S~~ Seward's thinking was along this line - quote Ill

compare
[illegible] speech

7-1

Women - function ^{2}in sex = men on their guard

1 - express psychic slave case. -

2 - [illegible] - of Aspasia

This was basis of teaching of S.

Must do something —

[illegible] -

1 Activity - of Socrates -

2 Determination of [illegible] —

Pondering — -

Dis

Have you read the "[illegible]" - "[illegible]"
step by step we reach the position
at every ~~step~~ moment of history from
the beginning of conscious government
the "wrong" seen & admitted - some
phase of the [illegible] human
freedom - taking all phases -
those who profit by it - [illegible] it -
defend it - those who admitting [illegible] it -
& ~~advocate~~ but see nothing to do
about it - & deplore agitation
those who admit it - proclaim it -
have an evolutionary program to
meet it - those who agitate on it
leaders its defenders - leaders [illegible]
some those ~~little~~ ~~whose program is~~ who
would keep silent - & ~~those~~ [illegible]
out of all those whose counsels
are millions ~~human~~ all peaceful - those
and within the range of the

human progress 2 limitation –
who are for destruction – their
~~preference~~ carrying it a point of
personal feelings where every
[illegible] [illegible] of the destruction
of the ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] individuals opinion of
the evil itself

of reform the 31st class
willed it – always had willed
but he believed it power of extinction
~~State~~ was a carrying matter
it was the state of [illegible] holding
abolitionists was deadly
preserving things to come
~~ar~~ a weapon was deadly then
the evil – Abolition see 37

believe within limits where it
would make slavery but such
remedy not – deadly opposition
Free soil – no policy except
p 5-43 – [illegible]

R
makes a full able chapter of Lincoln -
or Giddings or

not yet thought it out -
takes these steps - then sees
it was premature to take steps
apply them -
Always in Cabinet - told
it when it must be - had to
what justification
in believing it / need be -
Confronted -
conversion of slave
hope of Ky - Mo - Del a
Va - 2
Buried a speech
Great pressure -
tolerance - pitied - sympathy

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~~Sale~~ What-had got out of it
acquaintance Relation —
proofs of it — letter to parent,
His name & family
side light on life
Stimulus ~~[illegible]~~ to ambition
Sleeping pictures —
admiration — stature
Social — then private —
reminder — then
sleepless — B. [illegible]

no fool

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Led him to New Eng - Worcester - At Gov. ~~W~~ L's house -

Contact with family -

Legend in Valley - story of David L. What generation —— Correct errors - by W L's book.

Congress. Was been a failure

not, a candidate - for reelec(

~~Lincoln's fellow lawyers often protested with him because he was so modest about his fees. They wanted him to keep up prices. They even on one occasion arrested him and held a mock trial.~~

Washington

He was asked to join the "Young Indian Club" - a group of Congressmen interested in the discussion of national questions. It was in this club that he first debated with older and abler men the idea of State sovereignty; that is, the superiority of the State, one of his chief antagonists being Alexander Stephens, a man who was to be a leader in the effort to prove by force the soundness of this idea.

The newspaper correspondents, too, discovered Lincoln.

The Whig National Committee were only too glad to utilize his abilities, and asked that after Congress adjourned that he should go in the fall and give a campaign for Taylor in New England.

There probably was no field to which he would look forward with greater eagerness than New England. It meant a first sight of great cities, historic places, it meant contacts with more great men. His correspondence shows that he stayed on in Washington through the summer in good spirits. At least 14 new letters from this period have been added in very recent years)by Mr. Gilbert Tracy in 1917) to those already collected. Among these are a couple to the editor of the Boston Daily Atlas, David Shouler, showing how already he had begun to build up connections in that partof the world.

But while he was staying in Washington, franking documents, as he told Mr. Shouler, there were things happening that were forcing him to see that he could not go into the North and hope to make much of an impression merely with Gen. Taylor's military record or with arguments against the wickedness of the Mexican War. There was something at work openly and boldly there - something that back in Illinois and here in Washington was at work, to be sure, but out of sight, or rather which the people did not see or ignored, - not only worked boldly at the North, but it spread. While Lincoln sat

Washington - 1848

See Stevenson's "Lincoln" for description of Lincoln at the inaugural ball of 1848.

Compare his description with the earliest portrait which he himself publishes, and which undoubtedly was taken in Washington. The picture belies every line of what he writes.

This failure at Washington that he talks so much about, his failure in Illinois - it was the failure of the man who was willing to defy his own party and to refuse to call a thing right which he thought wrong - the failure to compromise with what he believed to be the ambitions of the slave holder.

Lincoln made so good an impression in Washington on his own party that he was asked to campaign in New England where it is highly improbable they would have allowed a man to go who was as much of a failure as Stevenson makes out. Provincial? Of course - awkward, no doubt; but he was the eager, interested provincial - not shrinking because of any unfamiliarity with polished society, not afraid of men because he didn't wear his clothes as gracefully or had not been to as many balls and receptions as they, but meeting them on a higher plane as man to man; and if he stayed until four o'clock in the morning at the ball, it was because he was interested in what was going on.

Copy II.

Congressman Lincoln was very fond of bowling, and would frequently join others of the mess, or meet other members in a match game, at the alley of James Casparis, which was near the boarding-house. He was a very awkward bowler, but played the game with great zest and spirit, solely for exercise and amusement, and greatly to the enjoyment and entertainment of the other players and bystanders by his criticisms and funny illustrations. He accepted success and defeat with like good nature and humor, and left the alley at the conclusion of the game without a sorrow or disappointment. When it was known that he was in the alley there would assemble numbers of people to witness the fun which was anticipated by those who knew of his fund of anecdotes and jokes. ~~When in the alley, surrounded by a crowd of eager listeners, he indulged with great freedom in the sport of narrative, some of which were very broad. His witticisms seemed for the most part to be impromptu, but he always told the anecdotes and jokes as if he wished to convey the impression that he had heard them from some one; but they appeared very many times as if they had been made for the immediate occasion.~~

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