

July 29th 1857

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Dear ~~Memorandum~~, I have this
morning rec'd yours of the 18th. Your report
to the people of Lawrence has not reached
me, ~~but~~ I have seen it and will give
you my views on it with as I can, on the
subject. I like your efforts at conciliation,
much. The people ought to stand out for
their utmost rights, but they ought to pre-
-serve a temporizing policy, parleying,
stamping off, setting up obstacles in the
way, but keeping good natured all the
while, & at the same time counter-mun-
-ing him. This summer's work ought to
be well finished & the papers handed
before the people's time is lost on political
excuse. Have the organization perfected
for the elections, & try to voter down the
Ruffian party. So for the Adopted Constitu-
-tion; stick to it, without wavering.
Vote down any other const. that the body
convention may propose. - Pay taxes to
the Ruffian gov't, (if need be) - under protest
until you can overthrow them. One Union
now, the free states will be choosing congressmen
again. If the Ruffians stick to their course; & if the