



at present - is \$3,000, or \$4,000 This
is the nominal value, but - as there
is hardly any money at all in the country
probably one half that would be all
that could be realized, This has cost
me nothing of any consequence directly
the shares, with one or two exceptions
having ~~been~~ presented to me by the
proprietors of the original town, to
gain my weighty influence, or
obtain a notice in the papers,
I hope with some of these to
raise money to start the Free state
this spring, though I was almost
discouraged last fall, with the delin-
quency of the patrons, I had enough auto-
standing to have continued it - easily
but I was determined to pay in
nowhere as I went.

This is not a public letter and you
need not show it to others than those
at home
Yours truly R. Elliott

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about
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I see
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let us
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back
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