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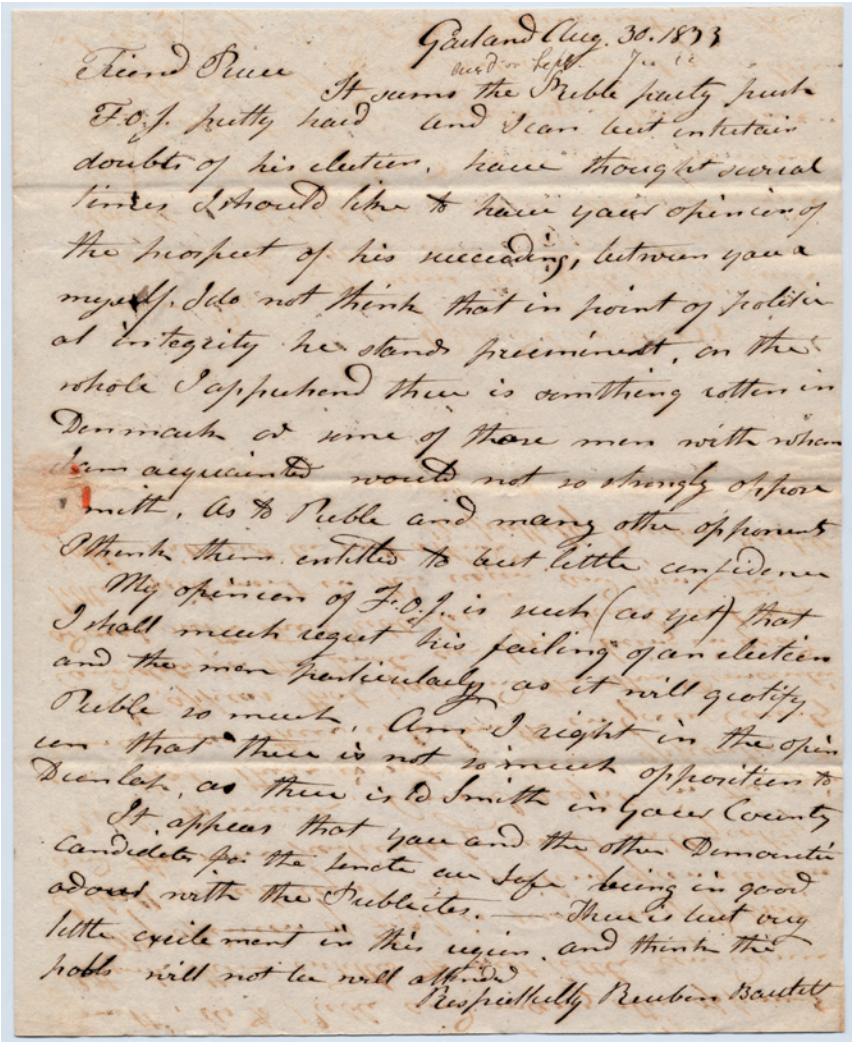

Garland Aug. 30. 1833

Friend Pierce recd on Sept 7 "

It seems the Preble party push F.O.J pretty hard and I can but entertain doubts of his election, have thought several times I should like to have your opinion of the prospect of his succeeding, between you & myself, I do not think that in point of politic al integrity he stands preeminent, on the whole I apprehend there is something rotten in Denmark or some of those men with whom I am acquainted would not so strongly oppose [letter missing]mith. As to Preble and many othr opponents I think them entitled to but little confidence

My opinion of F.O.J is such (as yet) that I shall much regret his failing of an election and the men particularly as it will gratify Preble so much. Am I right in the opin ion that there is not so much opposition to Dunlap, as there is to Smith in Your County

It appears that your and the other Democratic candidates for the senate are safe being in good [?] with the Prebleites. — There is but very little excitement in this region. and think the polls will not be well attended

Respectfully Reuben Bartlett

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