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### Robert T. Lytle letter to Moses Dawson

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Jan 7 10<sup>th</sup> (Bellevue) 1835

Dear Friend

I have just been the grand round,  
again this morning - we had a long talk  
with the old Chief - & among other things,  
showed him your last letter - He laughed  
heartily - & desired to be particularly remembered  
to you & Judge Burke - You will see by the  
papers that Mr. Purnshons nomination is  
confirmed - As to the White affair, He says,  
(What I suppose by this time you must all  
have known) that his conduct is as inexcusable  
to him the Pres<sup>t</sup>. as to you - In a word,  
the whole concern is opposition, so to be regard-  
-ed & treated - The last vote of White, & the whole  
conduct of that portion of the delegation in the  
House can be looked on in no other way, than  
as an ungenerous abandonment of the Pres<sup>t</sup>. & his  
friends - The old Chief storms like a volcano, but  
swears they will be prostrate in Ten<sup>ts</sup> - He told me  
he would rather follow the Judge to his grave  
than see him take this course - He chiefly blames  
Bell & Co. of the House - Poins, has been discharged  
by the Com<sup>tee</sup> of the Senate, but stands miserably low  
here with all parties - The Nullifiers have decidedly  
cut him this Session - I am going out to dine,

have only time to add, that ~~the~~ I remain for a few days longer at the request of the President to fix things right at home — The Constitution will sail in a few days for the Mediterranean, Livingston will return in her — He is busy now with that & the Indians who are waiting — He says in a day or two he will start me off — Think for God's sake to our boundary line matter, sustain our old Gov. Lucas, as I think we shall have severe scolding if not fighting, Hamer & Allen, are with me still, & we are persuading the old Chief to keep hands off, until we settle our own concerns — That d—d Cass is trying to give him wrong impressions — but we have explained to Forsyth & Van Buren this morning the madness of Executive interference — The old Chief wants peace, but I think will steer clear — They pretend it is nullification, it is all a d—d lie — there is no similitude or shadow of a likeness between the two cases — I will perish in the sanctity of the cause, before I yield one inch — Off this morn when we meet — I shall write to Gov. Lucas tomorrow, would you believe it, the poppingjay Gov. of the Tex. with his Council sent on some ten or 12 nominations of Generals, Majors, & Brigades to be passed on by the Pres. & Senate? — They were thrown aside properly by the Pres. — I think they will soon get sick of their belligerent spirit — when they see the vigour

of our State Executive — who is too much like old Hickory to be stoped even by his mandate, if he thinks he is right, & so, I mean to tell him — See my last to Edward, show him this, & remember me to Mr. Haines the Judge, the good Sir Robert P. — Mr. Langdon, & all others who are interested in yr. Service Friend

J. H. H. Sub.

R. M. Lytle

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Jan '35

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