

New York, Oct 13th 1876 -

Hon. Jno. H Caldwell [John H. Caldwell]

My dear Sir:

I have felt a delicacy up to this time in making known to you my purpose to apply for the office of Collector of the Port of Mobile, in the event of Gov Tilden's election. I now think his election is assured, as, with Indiana & this state, all doubt vanishes. I don't think it is possible for N.Y. to be lost to us. The Radicals will spend money freely, and in every way make a vigorous canvass, but the Democrats are not asleep, and I am confident that N.Y. will roll up at least 30,000 - perhaps more for Tilden & Hendricks - Now if you and your associates in Congress deem me worthy, & should conclude that my appointment would be a proper one, I should like, at the proper time, to have the benefit of your influence -

It is an office which would suit me. I have no political aspirations, & desire no office except the one which I have indicated.

I will be in Talladega on the 27th inst, & would be pleased to hear from you. My presence here has been attended with success in funding debt of your state.

Your friend  
Linc W. Lawler

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