

My dear Pleydell -

I do not see any particular advantage in my name being used as Advisory Council, in the Feb 4. and I am therefore writing to have it withdrawn. Of course I disapprove of Eggleston's letter - he seems to be lacking in common sense; & I think that to put such a letter in circulation was a grave mistake.

I think, however, you greatly exaggerate the actual effect of any such attacks on our work. and I think that they are much more effectively answered by ignoring them.

I think also that you & Purdy are over confident in your judgment about votes. I do not say that you are not right <sup>in your opinions</sup>; but to waive aside the long observations & conclusions of men like Reginald, Kiehn, Johnson, How et al, men who have been in the midst of things and successful in practical politics in Ohio, seems to me like fatuity. They seem to me to be in a better position to judge than we. I have been still am much pressed working the 2% of What Solitary Targets which is promised to

into publisher by the 6: else I shall be in my ready  
as soon as this, so it is not necessary to write

more. I will show you the letter to Kiefer. I wish  
you would send this letter to Parsy.

Yours cordially

W. H. H. H.

July 4. 11

Northwest Harbor Me.