

in general conjecture and saying, but no one charged  
Reid. I know the opinion of a large portion of  
the National Republicans of this County I mean  
as to the most influential of them and they are  
decidedly of opinion that in the case of Mr Reid's res-  
-ignation it would be good policy not to fill the  
Vacancy from this County in as much as we did  
not expect any appointment at the time the  
College met and this County having a Coun-  
-cilor, in the case of the Resignation here mentioned  
it is thought it would be advisable to look  
to another County for the Senator. There being  
two not having any Representative of that Char-  
-acter, and one of them not for the last two Elec-  
-torial periods. I am aware this is a delicate subject  
and one perhaps I should not nor ought not to touch  
but I fear the resignation and the appointment alluded  
too, would create difficulty in this County, and I am

Very Certain we have nothing to spare here as to  
strength of party. indeed I truly wish Mr Reid, as  
he has accepted would continue as that would  
keep us quiet. I here make one particular  
request that is you Excuse me for thus intruding  
on you, and that you suffer no eye but your  
own to see this paper and that you after read-  
-ing it Commit it to the all Dvorning Element,  
I most truly hope you will get rid of the present head  
of the Executive, as such is perfectly irre-  
-sponsible to the best men of the party. I also should  
be much pleased to find Gen. Smith's place  
occupied after the 3<sup>d</sup> March by Mr. Witt.  
This would raise the Character of the State, indeed  
I should not care to see the old General retain his  
seat if there is not an improvement made,  
I should be much pleased to hear from you. Very Respectfully  
do. burn this) says so, Y. 06? John Brown