

to think any Yankee Senator or
Member of Congress worth half the
Money you seem inclined to give,
but I will try what is to be done
in the way you mention

With respect to the Naval Force
 requisite for the Chesapeake it must of course
depend on the operations to be conducted and
it of which you are naturally be
better able to judge than myself, for the
mere business of the Blockade a line of Battle
of 12 S. S. or 20 small Craft are

the point of my wishing it?

I had hoped to give you
my opinion respecting the Fire cutting
but had have offered to send to my
distance how much too great a
trouble for me -

I am
My dear Sir
with great regards
Your very faithful & obed^t Serv^t
J. B. Thompson



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