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Scope and Content

Letter dated November 13, 1860, written by J.S. Moore of Andersonville, Indiana, to Dr. Thomas Moore of Virginia. The letter relates to matters of health, agriculture, and politics. J.S. Moore describes an outbreak of diphtheria and "lung fever" or pneumonia in Georgia. He writes about the improving agricultural economy in Georgia that he boastfully compares to the state of Indiana. Moore cites as evidence the abundant wheat crop in Georgia due in large part to the adoption of the seed drill by Georgia farmers and the draining of marsh lands for agricultural use. He also points to the role played by the state's vast railroad system in making Georgia an agricultural giant. The political matter Moore writes about is the impact on the nation, specifically the South, of Abraham Lincoln's election as President of the United States. Moore held a negative opinion regarding the South's plan for secession. He argues that the South should wait until Lincoln or the Republicans commit an overt act against the region so that the South could justify such a rash act. Moore writes favorably about Lincoln and the Republican party saying that their positions on issues such as slavery have been misrepresented by the leaders of the Democratic Party. He proceeds to share his negative opinions of the Democratic Party blaming its leadership for the ill feelings between North and South.

Index Terms

Persons:

Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865.

Moore, J.S.

Moore, Dr. Thomas

Corporate Names:

Democratic Party.

Republican Party.

Subjects:

Agriculture--Georgia.

Diseases--Georgia.

Drills (Planting machinery)--Georgia.

Lungs--Diseases--Georgia.

Secession--Southern States.

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

Wheat--Georgia.

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