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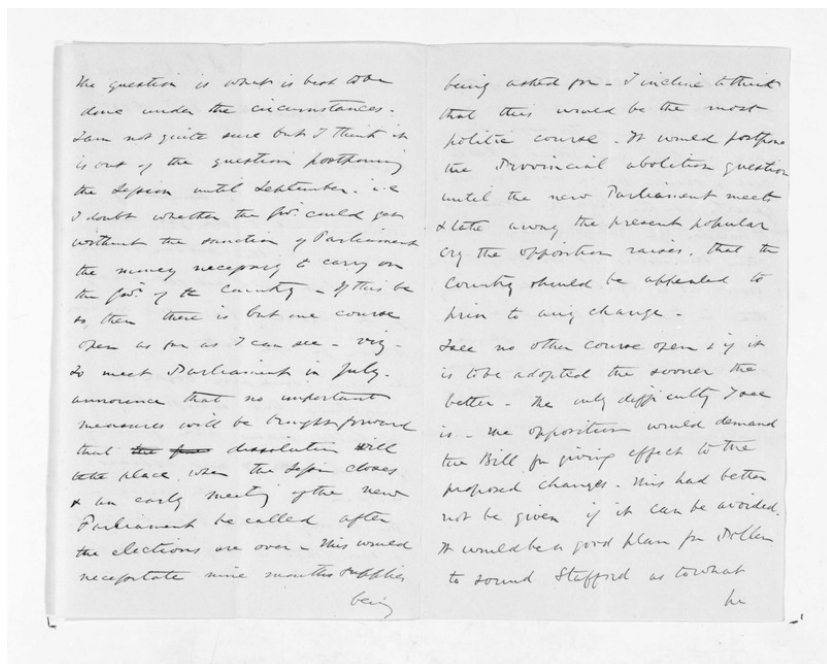
My dear Mr. McLean

I thought of  
morning out to see you this  
morning by the twelve o'clock  
train but could not get away  
for the office - I am glad however  
to hear you are better -

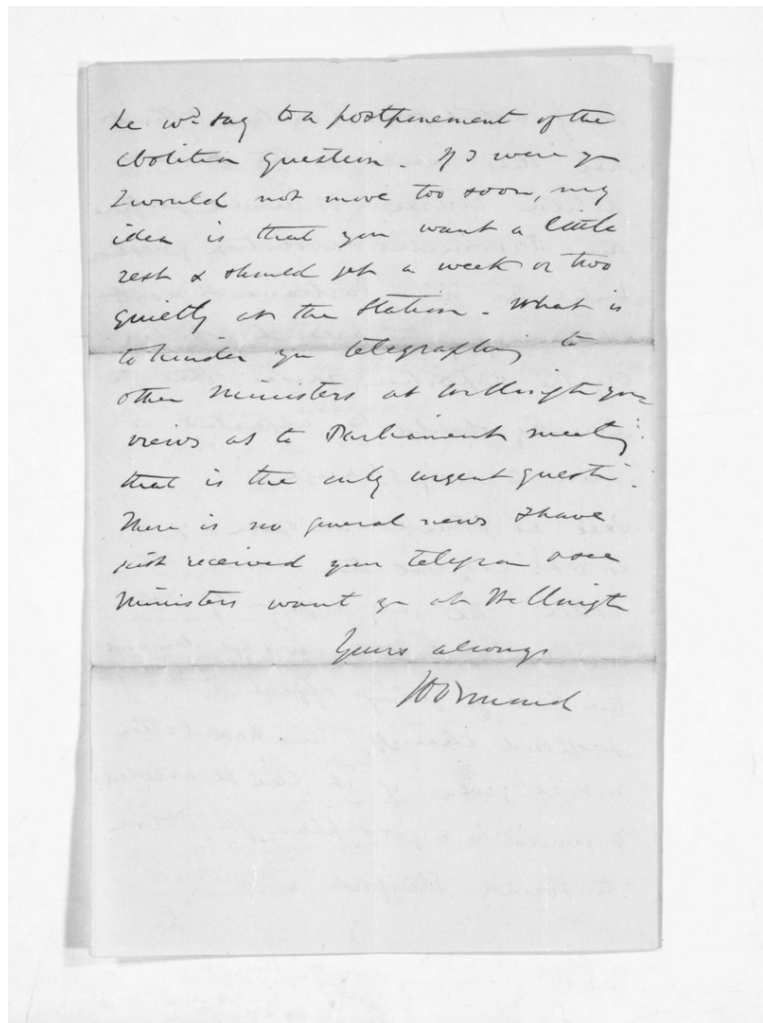
The news about poor Vogel is  
anything but satisfactory his  
malady seems to be gaining  
ground - ~~the~~ It now appears  
certain he cannot arrive in  
the colony earlier than September  
& even that is very doubtful -

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be w<sup>o</sup> say to a postponement of the  
abolition question. If I were you  
I would not move too soon, my  
idea is that you want a little  
rest & should sit a week or two  
quietly at the station. What is  
to hinder you telegraphing to  
other ministers at midnight you  
news as to Parliament meeting  
that is the only urgent quest.  
There is no general news I have  
just received your telegram & see  
ministers want you at Wellington  
Yours always  
J D Ormond