

Sir I suppose from one so obscure as myself, you
would not deign to take advice - but be that
as it may, I think it my duty as a citizen
to warn even the President of danger when
I know it, altho he may not believe it til
he feels the dagger in his side, or tastes the
poison in his bowl - You must know then
I have been in Washington - and last winter
a most tragical plot was made, and you
are the victim - Your worse enemies are those
of your own house - You have real friends
and false ones - You have friends who did
not, nor would not support you, or this
warning would never have come from me -
I heard the plot, but the conspirators have
not the least idea that any but themselves
ever heard a whisper - You are to live til
by holding you up as a candidate excitement
gets to its highest pitch, than suddenly ~~you~~
some of your now pretended warm friends

are to put a veto on your existence, and after
a false show of great mourning come out in
your place - You may think this weak logic, but
be assured there are those who look upon it as
a sure sleeping stone to the seat you now fill -
You have been a meritorious General, and as
such I love you, and for that, I give you this
warning - You are now advised of your danger
take warning and live. Don't do like Caesar
when Spurina warned him of his danger.

If you wish to live don't suffer your flatterers to
influence you to be a candidate any more
and then you will pass your time calmly &
I assure you then, ^{you} will have nothing to fear,
for you will not be viewed as in the way.
Once more take warning - If you should be
a Candidate again be cautious how you
go alone, or with whom you trust your life -
The bane of your life is near you - Mind
how you drank in the fall of 1832 -

Farewell thou faithful General, and may
God Cause you to take this advice
from your friend

Andrew Jackson Esq. Anonymous

This letter was rec^d. and opened
by me this morning - it came
thru the City Post Office.

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Anonymous
to
the President U.S.

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His Excellency
Andrew Jackson
President U.S.

City of Washington
D.C.