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**LINCOLN LOG**  
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Lincoln writes to Illinois's Republican U.S. Senator Lyman Trumbull, and decries the republican-leaning New York Tribune's "constant eulogizing ... admiring, and magnifying [of Illinois's Democratic U.S. Senator Stephen] Douglas." Douglas unpredictably sided with many republicans in opposition to the Lecompton Constitution, which if ratified by Congress, would allow Kansas to enter into the union as a slave state. Lincoln warns that the Tribune's incessant "prais[e]" of Douglas may entice some of the newspaper's "five or ten thousand republican readers in Illinois" to switch "over to Douglas" and the democrats.



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