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**MISCELLANEOUS MANUSCRIPT FILE**

**Letter to Brother Democrat, February 28, 1868**  
**Collection Number: 2114**

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**PROCESSING INFORMATION:** Processed by Doug Gleason, October 21, 2023.

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**EXTENT:** 1 item

**DATE:** 1868

**SCOPE AND CONTENT:** Miscellaneous Manuscript Files (MMF) are small collections typically containing only a folder or two of materials. This folder consists of one letter (with transcript) from an unknown writer whose intended recipient is also unknown.

**BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL:** The letter was written just four days after impeachment proceedings against Andrew Johnson began. The letter attacks the “radicals in Washington” and alludes to the impeachment of Andrew Johnson and stresses the importance of electing a Democrat in the upcoming presidential election of 1868. The writer appears to have considered his own political views to be potentially dangerous; he does not directly identify himself or the addressee and asks that the recipient burn the letter after it is read.

**IMMEDIATE SOURCE OF ACQUISITION:** Gift of Betty Lockwood.

**CONTAINER LIST:**

**Folder 1**

Letter, addressed to “Brother Democrat,” February 28, 1868, with transcript