

Armstrong Academy C. N.

Dear Friend

Oct 27<sup>th</sup> 1872 —

With a heavy heart I write you, to say that we have been the most beaten set of men, that ever met in any deliberation in this or any other Nation, I reckon. This is certainly the most complete Cooper Council that ever has been convened —

They have passed the Bill calling for all the Bond & Interest to be paid to the Nation and Repealing the acts of last March and all other laws in anywise coming in Conflict with this act. Cooper, A. Wright, Page have been busy drilling their men all the while, and men who promised to go with us, up to the evening before the vote was taken, turned over in one night, and voted against us —

In the House 13 voted against Joel  
Hudson & myself - 2 that were on  
the other side were out & did not  
vote. In the senate today 8  
voted for the Bonds against them  
were James Hudson, Ellis a matubu  
Alfred Shoney, and Robuck in  
Chair - So there were 3 against 8

There are some Rail Road men here  
who, have not presented any talk to  
the council, we think Cooper must have  
made arrangements <sup>for them</sup> to furnish means  
to enable him to carry his measures in  
the Council, then with the same majority  
he would oil them to have any R.R. road  
measures put through, that they may want  
we will however see what it all means in  
a day or two - Col Temple left yesterday - Pike  
comes in the morning - Your friend  
Dr. W. Jones