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W. J. Buchan to Governor George Anthony

W. J. Buchan of Wyandotte, Kansas, writes Governor George Anthony of Topeka, regarding a railroad strike in Wyandotte County. Buchan states that striking workers were not causing trouble, but a lawless mob was taking advantage of the situation. He notes that the mob had forced the Kansas Pacific shops to shut down against the will of the employees. He also notes that hundreds of state-owned Springfield muskets in the vicinity were not secure and could fall into the wrong hands. A general strike of railroad engineers and firemen began in mid July 1877 in Maryland and had spread to Kansas City later that month. Local authorities were able to maintain order in Wyandotte County, Kansas, but a larger strike would follow in 1878.

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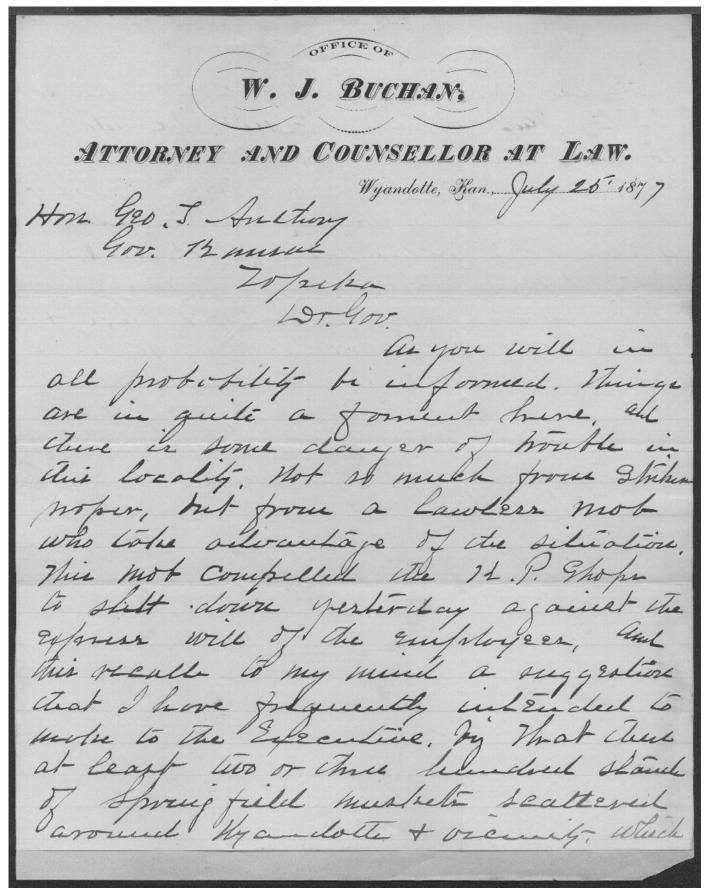
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