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My dear Sir,

Absence from home has alone prevented me from sooner acknowledging the receipt of your kind note of the 5th Instant with its enclosures. I owe you many thanks for your letter to the Pilot, which cannot fail to do me good in the Old Dominion. The Whigs both of Pennsylvania & Ohio have already nominated General Scott; & I have no doubt he will be the candidate of the party. The result most probably will be to increase the strength & bitterness of those sectional feelings which now threaten the Union. If the South be true to themselves he cannot be elected; but should he carry those Southern States which have been Whig heretofore, he will succeed. It is scarcely possible ~~that~~ the Whigs of the South will sustain him; but when I see ~~that~~ their papers contending that the Democrats & Whigs of the North are equally ^{wounded on the question of Slavery} ~~wounded~~, I can be astonished at nothing.

Yours truly,
John Tyler Jr. Esq.

Your friend
very respectfully,
James Buchanan

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