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Wheatland, near Lancaster 5 May 1851.

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My dear Sir/

I have received your favor of the 2d. Instant; & am highly gratified to learn that you have at length devoted yourself to the settlement of your own private affairs. I trust you may accomplish this praiseworthy task successfully & so as to leave for yourself a comfortable independence.

I expected our good friend Mr. Johnson here to day; but I presume the rain will prevent. I deeply regret that the physician can do nothing for that his excellent woman wife. They return home via Pittsburg much dejected after passing a single day with me. I shall not fail to communicate to them your kind message.

I feel the same anxiety which you do concerning South Carolina. Heaven alone can foresee all the evils to our Country & to herself which may follow her secession. And yet strange to day her movements seem to attract but little attention & to produce no alarm at the North. I would to heaven that some plan could be devised to prevent her from taking this false step.

I fear you will find it too late to make all things OK in Philadelphia. Mr D. Himself has always behaved like a gentleman; but some of those who are (as I believe erroneously) supposed to speak his sentiments have been very violent.

I need not say I shall be most happy to see you. Please to drop me a line a few days before your arrival so that I may certainly be at home.

from your friend very respectfully James Buchanan

Hon: Robert J Walker