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My Dear Sir

I send you to-day the 3^d vol. "Commercial Statistics". The 2^d is not yet published.

Our old friend Buchanan is really in trouble. For the first time in his life he has been compelled to take a stand on a doubtful question - and like all cowards he has dropped on the wrong side. The Southern men came here ready to oppose him, and even now do not rely on his firmness. When his Message was written, he expected that the

The Wharton constitution would
come here with the slavery
clause stricken out. He feared
in that, his friends now pro-
-pose what they call a com-
-promise, which is to admit the
state into slavery & authorize
the Legislature to direct a new
vote after the admission. I do
not think they can carry
even this measure - but
all the power of the Govt. will
be used to convince Senators
and members. He has very
few friends here, save those who
share in the spoils.

You who know his ante-
-cedents, will, should lift the
veil from his conduct, in the
revolution of 1824, to 1828. So

for as I am acquainted, he has
never kept faith with any party
or any friend. I am told by
persons who were near him in
his detraction, that he has already
given the "cold shoulder" to all
who contributed most to his
success.
~~from~~ Last year. Forney is
entirely "out of his boots". Weak
men never like those who have
served them.

I will take care to send
you all the documents that I may
suppose will interest you, and
will be very glad to have your
counsel and advice, when you
are well enough to dictate a
line

Very respectfully
Simon Cameron

Mr. Johnson.

Samuel