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My dear Sir/

The President has thought proper to recall Mr. Todd & you will be left in charge of the Legation ad interim. This has been your fate or your fortune. It is probable that Mr. Todd's successor may not leave the Country before the Spring; but this is uncertain. I have suggested to the President the propriety of appointing you chargé d'affaires that you might draw your salary regularly & not be compelled to appeal to Congress. He has some objections to this course; but will decide the question before the departure of the next steamer from Boston.

I have presented your name to him over & over again for promotion. He always speaks in the highest terms of your services & of his desire to serve you do something for you but he is so pressed for Diplomatic appointments by his

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political friends, that he has not yet been able to carry his good intentions into effect. I shall not encourage hopes which may not be realised; but you may always rely on my friendship.

We have little news here except what you will see in our public Journals. I think, from present appearances we shall have no war with Mexico; but this is yet uncertain. The Convention of Texas has adjourned & their proceedings have been marked with wisdom & propriety. I do not believe that the new State will encounter any further difficulties in taking her position in the Union. The annexation will be consummated most probably on or before the first of January.

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I think that the prospects are very fair that Mr. Polks administration will be popular.

I have never labored so hard as since I came into this Department; but the business has now been almost brought up.

Should an occasion offer, in your intercourse with Count Nesselrode, you may present him my kindest best respects & assure him that I have not forgotten the many acts of kindness which he extended towards me during my residence in St. Petersburg.

The hour has arrived for closing the mail to be sent to Boston.

With every sentiment of friendship & kindness I remain yours sincerely

James Buchanan.

J. Randolph Clay