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foundation for it; that M. Colhour well be out with a Sublication on the Subject. I trust in Heaven This may not be the case. The proceedings of the members of the Jenneylvania Legis Calus have afforded as much Salisfaction. They were adopted at the proper time & in the proper manno. I should be glad to hear from you if you have any news worth communicating. I need not enform you that this letter is confedential from your friend Hugh Hamilton En Colmes Buchanaw a desper the of my down require a since lained in by midwall framed to last the beach; but helperts all has been

Washington 12 Feb: 1831,

Dear Sir/

A friend of mine has pointed out to me what I neither should have observed nor thought of myself, that in publishing the letters from-the New York Inquirer you have transposed the order of time in which they were written and omitted that portion of the letter in regard to myself which is most complimentary. I know perfectly well that this must have been accidental as I have had too many proofs of your friendship [one word illegible] to believe for a single moment that it was designed. Pecks trial & acquittal have produced considerable excitement here and every thing in regard to it is scrutinized. - I have thought proper to make these remarks, because I well know If you have done me any injustice it was wholly unintentional. I send you "The Age" a paper published in New York - by a very warm classman, who is now & has been for some time in this City as I have heard. The sketch of W. Wert is much too highly colored by the political partiality of the writer; that of Mr. Storrs is not liable to the same objection in so great a degree. Mr. W. in my opinion has acquired no new laurels in the case of Judge Peck.

I fear the misunderstanding between the President & Vice President will end in an open rupture. Every thing has been done by mutual friends to heal the breach; but hitherto all has been in vain. The report has been again rumored, & I fear there is some

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foundation for it, that Mr. Calhoun will be out with a publication on the subject. I trust in Heaven this may not be the case.

The proceedings of the members of the Pennsylvania Legislature have afforded us much satisfaction. They were adopted at the proper time & in the proper manner.

I should be glad to hear from you if you have any news worth communications. I need not inform you that this letter is confidential.

from your friend James Buchanan

Hugh Hamilton Esq.