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Lancaster May 2<sup>d</sup> 1833

Dear Sir

I went to Harrisburg on Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> April the day you sailed, and on my return on the evening of the 10<sup>th</sup> I received your Philadelphia Letters by Harry Rogers & your favour of the 7<sup>th</sup> from New York at the same time. I mention to account for my not writing to you at New York as I certainly should have done had your Philadelphia Letters reached me in time.

I have paid Conyugham \$2.50 for his paper & had it paid it stopped have also paid 1.50 for a quarters rent of your pew in the Presbyterian Church, and upon conversation with the doctor we thought it best not to vacate your seat until we heard from your, Montgomerie & Slagmash & Freeman there had their interest Hains & Humes were due yesterday. Humes daughter Lucinda is to be married to night to Hamilton after which, I doubt not he will attend to paying his due - should he not, however I can remind him of it in a week or two. Hains I have not seen lately - He I doubt not will require dunning and I shall not fail to be at him the first opportunity Gable has taken the stove but not yet paid for it - promises soon to do so - I have been getting flour from Withers & will settle his due bill in that way - I have written to the Honble P. Stevens but have had no answer - Dr Maxwell's note has been paid - Cohen, I have not seen or heard from - have heard nothing from the Barnseys - shall see Penrose & perhaps Cohen at the Supreme Court.

Edward Coleman was here last week & in a conversation with W<sup>m</sup> about disposing of their Lancaster Property they said they would take \$8000 for the house Edward formerly resided in. I told them that I knew of a purchaser who I thought would take it at that price, and then mentioned your name, and stated that if there was any difficulty in the way of transacting the business it would be done through me. they both said they would have no objection to making the deed to you at once, upon payment of the purchase money. I then said I would let them know, and seeing Sample a few days after he advised to close with them directly as you had spoken to him about it, a few days before you left us. I think he said the day you were at "Louis Comfort" together that you were anxious to have it. & this according with my recollection of your sentiments in relation to it we agreed to let them know that we would take at that sum on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April next - which I have done. As you expressed some anxiety about the sums loaned to Messrs Slagmash & Peigart, and requested us to notify them that payment of the 1000 Dollar bond would be required next Spring. this purchase would afford a good pretext for urging the payment of the larger bond when it becomes due I would enable us to make the payment without any difficulty, we will therefore await your instructions as to this matter as there will be sufficient time to give them early notice. I have forwarded one package containing the L. Journal & A. Sentinel. I shall make up another to day containing these papers for the last 2 weeks - I don't like the weather which have prevailed since you left us I fear you have had a rough & tedious passage, and suffered from sea sickness though I indulge the hope that you are this day in England in improved







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health. Porter has so far recovered from illness at Harrisburg as to be able to reach this place on Saturday last. I have not seen him. his son James Buchanan you will see by the papers died on

Saturday week last. His daughter has also been very ill but is now better they intent now going to making Michigan by water as soon as the General's health will permit

Your friends here are all well  
with sincere wishes for you

I remain  
your sincere friend  
John Reynolds

have nothing new  
health & prosperity.