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Wheatland, near Lancaster 16 May 1863

My dear & Rev: Sir/

The perusal of your favor of the 12th. Inst. afforded me much satisfaction. It recalled to one the memory of other days & our former friendly associations. I should be very glad we could meet again & hope you may find time to pay me a visit. You shall receive a most cordial welcome.

I entered my 73d year on the 23 April last; but thank God! I enjoy excellent health considering my age. My spirit is calm & tranquil & I would be positively happy were it not for the disasters of the Country. These I

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deeply feel; but with<del>out</del> a clear conscience. I would not, if I could, change any portion of the policy I pursued in view of the then approaching troubles. I have never doubted for a moment that my Country would yet do me justice.

I am indebted to you for the 40th. Report of the Seamens Union Bethel & am rejoiced to learn what good & successful service you have done for the cause of your Master in that Institution. You have been a faithful, able & laborious servant in the cause of Christ; & may you live many years, in health & prosperity to do his work!

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Miss Lane has been in Philadelphia for some time. When I write I shall communicate your kind remembrance to her.

It would be vain for me to give you political information. I know nothing of public affairs except what I see in the Newspaper & take no active part in politicks. I still, however, believe in Democracy & to a few friends express my opinions. I should like very much to have a long talk with you.

With sentiments of sincere regard,

I remain your friend James Buchanan

Rev. Henry Slicer D D