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My dear Sir/

I have received your kind favor of the 29 ultimo & heartily rejoice in the success in the success of your History. I wish, with all my heart, we had such a history of Pennsylvania.

I dislike very much to make a request which may injure you in your own canvass; but yet I cannot refrain from expressing the opinion that your presence in Baltimore may be very important. You are well known throughout the country, & your recent historical labors have greatly added to your reputation. You will count more than one at Baltimore. If your single vote were alone involved, I should not utter a word. Your influence is worth far more. And yet it appears selfish in me to express this wish; but the fault results from your own kindness in offering to attend the Baltimore Convention, should I deem your personal presence imperative.

I am proud to learn that the Democracy of the Old North State will support me. This will contribute much to my nomination; & should I fail, it will be a consolation in defeat. I think my prospects are fairer at present than those of any other Candidate; but perhaps I am not a competent Judge. I should esteem the re-nomination of General Cass unfortunate for the party; but this I ought not to say except to a discreet friend. I should fear the result in Pennsylvania between him & General Scott. I think, however, there is but little danger of his nomination, though he & his friend are active beyond any former example.

from your friend very respectfully James Buchanan

Col: John H Wheeler

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Wheatland, near Lancaster 31 May 1852

My dear Sir/

I have received your two kind letters of of the 20th & 27th. Instants from Beatties ford & Washington, & surrounded as I am with company & under the pressure of an important engagements & overwhelming correspondence I have only time to reiterate my cordial thanks to you for your able & valuable friendship & support. I know you can render one important services at Baltimore & that you will do it in the best manner.

I would thank you to remember me very kindly to my old friend Mr. Saunders. he is a host within himself, should he think proper to exert his powers. You may tell him from me that I was disappointed he did not pay me a visit on his way home after his return from Spain.

"The signs of the time" are I think auspicious; that I shall be prepare for any event better than the Democracy of State who will e graciously disappointed should not the Democracy the Union grant them the candidate after waiting for sixty years. The opposition of Cameron, Leiper, Lowry & my other enemies would not produce even a ripple on the surface of public opinion so strongly & deeply is the current running. And yet they will go to Baltimore for the deliberate purpose of deceiving, if possible & with full knowledge the delegates to the National Convention

from your friend very respectfully James Buchanan

Col: John H. Wheeler