

Wheatland, near Lancaster 8 Dec: '51

My dear Sir,

I have written this morning strongly to Gardner Furness, Dr. Gerry, Captain Schmitt, & Col: Bailey. I have not written to Mr. Charles or Joseph Detweiler; but if you think I can do so safely, & I shall do it cheerfully. In that count, please to inform me the Christian name of Mr. Charles.

General Cass himself, I am informed, still clings to the idea of being President; although at Washington he is scarcely considered a serious candidate. Cameron doubtless still encourages him to hope he may carry this State & thus keeps his spirits up in the expectation be this means of destroying me. He knows full well that the General cannot be nominated.

The news is very favorable from Washington & the rascals know that every thing depends on this State.

I am happy to learn that you & Mr. Dietz are coming to see me on Friday. Let me know if it be certain & I will meet you at the Rail Road & bring you out to dinner.

From your friend

Henry Welsh Esquire

James Buchanan

