

Legation of the U. S.  
London 16 January 1855

My dear Eskridge /

I have received your favor of the 26 ultimo, together with the deed to Mr. Michael. I now return the deed properly executed & acknowledged before the Consul.

I have nothing new to communicate. Harriet is still near Liverpool. I expect her home the latter end of this or the beginning of the next week. She is enjoying herself very much. I left her at Richmond Hill, seat of Mr. William Brown, three miles from Liverpool on Tuesday last.

It may almost be said that we have as yet had no winter in England.

The America which was to leave Boston on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Instant has not yet arrived.

I learn from different sources, that a number of my former political friends will support Cameron for the Senate & that his prospects for obtaining the Democratic Caucus nomination & for election are fair. This is strange! I hope it may not prove to be true; & yet, in my present position, I have not deemed it proper to take any part in the matter.

I hope they may send me out a good Secretary of Legation, so that I may not continue to be oppressed by incessant (sic) labor. Sichles was a most agreeable companion as well as an able man. I became much attached to him personally; but not as a Secretary of Legation.

Remember me kindly to Reynolds, Henry M. Sanderson, Swarr, Kantz & all my other friends & believe me to be always yours very affectionately

James Buchanan

Col: Lane

Do not fail to acknowledge the receipt of the Deed by the first  
Returning Steamer.

