Monday #26 Aug

Hon Sir

Excuse this liberty of Mary Wall writing to the Ex President Buchanan hearing the Ladies Miss Lane and Miss Parker are married, I hope to be Excused this liberty I hope Sir you, and the ladies are quite well. I am extremely obliged to you Sir for sending me word you would assist me with a little money to Enable me to Return to England I am anxious to go, as the years steal on and I am nearly to Seventy years old

Sir I am the Old Chambermaid who lived at the White House and thought it best to write myself as I think Miss Parker knows my writing, as I should not wish your Excellency to think any Imposter had made use of my name as there are so many bad People in the Present day.

I have taken the Liberty of sending a note Relating to a third class Passage in ^{the} steerage of a steamship The Packet? ships are so uncomfortable and the Voyage too long, I have not seen Dr. Blake this long time I suppose a year or more it is difficult for me to find Him, also to find me

Dr Blake sent me a message by Mary Carlton that your Excellency would assist me

Hon Sir

I thank you for your consideration to me and have no doubt but I shall Receive safe what you Please to send me by my bank, I would answer the letter by Return of Post to ^{say} what I Received

this address Sir is one of your old servants at the <u>White House</u> Mary Wall. in care of James Thomas 1.65 K st near the little market Washington City. D.C. I am your Excellencys Humble servant Mary Wall

[on back of letter] Hon. Sir

I should be glad to leave Washing[ton] of the 5 of September to be [?] in time for the ship that sails on the 7 of Sept. I hope [?] the almighty will grant you good health.

Mary Wall 26 Aug 67 Wash. Wants \$40 to pay her passage to England.

