

Mt. Ida May 29 '84

My dear Mrs. Johnston,

I have just rec<sup>d</sup> a letter from Rev. Dr. Buchanan enclosing 18 of the letters (of the 40 or more) I delivered to Mr. Reed - saying that, as he unpacked the boxes of papers, returned by Mr. Curtis, - he would return the remainder. I refer to the letters of your late uncle to me.

As yet, he has not found the paper giving the conversation between Prest<sup>t</sup> Buchanan & Col. Denton.

He asks if I am willing to leave the Index, I promised to you, with the papers ? I did not speak of my promise to you - but I should prefer to put it into your hands, - unless you request me to do otherwise. Please advise me your pleasure.

It is possible, not certain, that I may go to New York, sometime in June - & if it would afford you any pleasure to see me - I would extend my trip to Baltimore. Not, however, unless it be your real wish - for I know that you will speak with the utmost sincerity that your cousin is with you. I rec<sup>d</sup> a Baltimore paper containing a very just & gratifying notice of the departed - which I was very glad to see - With kindest regards to your cousin - believe me,

Ever & Sincerely Yours,

Nahum Capen

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