Lancaster, March 16. 1857.

His Excellency

President Buchanan

Sir –

Our mutual friend, Mr. B. F. Baer, Esq, of Elizabethtown, is desirous of obtaining an appointment as Clerk in one of the Departments at Washington. Mr. B is one of our most worthy and exemplary young men -- an active, hard-working Democrat, and always a warm and decided friend of your Excellency. He is moreover, an excellent Clerk and Accountant and in every respect well qualified to fill the office to which he aspires.

I have no doubt Mr. Baer's appointment would be well received by the Democracy of this country, by whom he is favorably known -- and I therefore trust his mission to Washington may be crowned with success.

> Very truly, your obt servant [section missing]

