Estate of James Buchanan, dec'd

To C. B. Cotter Dr.

To wager won, made Oct. 28, 1859 --- \$1.00

To the Executor of Jas. Buchanan, dec'd:

Sir, - At or about the foregoing date (Oct 28. '59), while in the Executive Chamber alone with the deceased (J.B.), in talking over his breach of slighted faith as an honorable man, I informed him what I would do if he did not divest himself of cold shoulderism toward myself before his death – my action was to take effect in due time after his demise. He suggested that though he was the oldest he would outlive me, I offered to bet him a dollar he would not, he accepted the bet, and we pledged our honor for the payment in the event, by an earnest shake of hands, in the usual honorable way of betting. The signal shows I have won the bet; and you, sir, as his honorable and entrusted executor, will oblige me by safely transmitting me the aforesaid wager, at the earliest possible moment,

Very Respectfully, etc, C. B. Cotter

State of Michigan

S.S.

County of Oakland

On this 25 day of June A.D. 1868, before me, a Notary Public in and for said Country, personally appeared C. B. Cotter, who on being duly sworn deposeth and saith the written and foregoing account and statement are correct, according to the best of his knowledge and belief.

C. B. Cotter

Sworn and subscribed to before me this  $20^{\text{th}}$  day of June A.D. 1868 in the city of Pontiac, State and County aforesaid.

L D Jenks Notary Public

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