

Oxford Ch Phila,  
Feb. 25 '69

My Dear Mr Swarr,

Your letter of the 23d inst, enclosing the Draft for Mrs Dunham &c, was recd yesterday, as I was about leaving home for town. This morning I enclosed the Draft & Receipt to her; also requesting her to name a person to whom we could send a power of Attorney to enter satisfaction on her mortgage.

While in town I got my receipt from Gaw Bacon & Co, & find that all the securities that I mentioned to you are in their hands. They have sold none of our securities, not considering the time heretofore, favorable, & thinking it best to wait yet for some time; every thing being low. They have collected the interest on the Virginia Bonds \$219.75 I get from them a full account of their sales of the Bonds assigned to me, & of the Virginia Interest. This account I will bring up with me when I next go to Lancaster.

As soon after hearing again from Mrs Dunham, & I as I conveniently can, I will come up to Lancaster. I hope this may be on Thursday or Friday of next week. I ought to say that when ~~when~~ I wrote inquiring when Mr J was expected in Lancaster, it was from no wish to ~~me~~ be there at the same time. I should prefer not to be there at this time, when he is.

I this morning recd from Jessie Magaw, a letter, from which I judge our prospect of getting any thing from Capt<sup>n</sup> Magaw is rather dull. I give you an extract from it, & leave it to you to say whether we shall comply with Jessie' [sic] request or not. She says, "I write to ask you to be kind enough, if perfectly convenient, to send me \$100. I would not trouble you, but we really need the money.

Pa's expenses are heavy & he is on furlough pay, which is a very small amount; so it is a hard matter to get along. I therefore feel it my duty to help my parents in any way I can, for I never can pay them back what they have done for me."

I am glad to learn that Mr Howell is about getting another block of marble. He did not advise me of his coming to Phila, as you suggested. I hope he will be at home when I come up. I will let you know when I expect to be there.

Very truly  
Yours &c  
Edw Y. Buchanan

H B Swarr Esq

