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Next door to Post Office.

Philadelphia, June 19 '71

My Dear Sir,

I recd [sic] your letter of Saturday this morning. On ~~its~~ receiving it, I came to town to see Mr Biddle to know what it was he wanted to confer with us about. But I found him so engaged that I could not get much information or satisfaction.

I infer, from ~~this~~ the request in your letter, that there is our intention to <sup>endeavor to</sup> have our suit postponed. I hope that neither you nor Mr [sic] North will agree to this, unless you are obliged to do it, in consequence of Judge Black [sic] taking advantage of the 30 days [sic] rule, contrary to the understanding wh [sic] Mr [sic] North had with him. Let Mr [sic] North go on with the case, notwithstanding the fact that Mr [sic] Biddle cannot attend. I feel certain that he can carry the case. Mr [sic] Biddle told me some time ago that the 3d Monday in June would suit him very well. I am sorry that he now finds himself unable to attend to our case.

As to meeting you ~~on Wednesday, this will~~ at Mr [sic] Biddle's, I can not [sic] now fix a day for doing so, as I think of going to Virginia tomorrow, to attend to the affairs of my son, who died on Friday evening last, & was buried at Oxford yesterday. I should however have postponed going to Virginia till after Wednesday, for the purpose of meeting you, if I had been able to find out any thing definite that we are to be consulted about. As it is, I will leave tomorrow, & we can arrange for an interview after my return. Meanwhile, if possible, let the case go on, & be decided, one way or the other. The plan for our meeting Mr [sic] B, I take it, means postponing the case. And then there is no certainty that Mr [sic] Biddle will be here, even in September, for he tells me, that about the 4<sup>th</sup> of July he will leave Phila, to be absent 10 or 12 weeks. So, my dear Sir, please do all you can to have the case come up & be disposed of this week.

Should you have occasion to write to me within a few days, direct to Guilford Station, Va.

In haste,  
Very Truly,  
Yrs &c  
Edw Y. Buchanan

H B Swarr Esq.

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