Oxford Church, Phil^a April 9 '77

My Dear Sir,

Yr [sic] favor of Saturday last, covering a check for \$544.77, interest collected on funds of E E Lane'[sic] Trust, and also another letter from Mr [sic] Johnston, was recd [received] this morning.

In reference to the Interest sent, I do not know what better I can do with it than purchase some more state Loan. The letter, with the one recd [sic] from you in town, I shall enclose in this.

From the letter from Mr [sic] J contained in yr [sic] favor of Saturday, it is evident that Mr he would like to dispose of the remaining City sixes, with a view to purchasing more Currency sixes. In view however of the very high price of the latter, I think it best to let things remain as they are for the present.

I suppose there has been considerable shrinkage in the value of some of the properties on wh [sic] you hold mortgages in connexion [sic] with Eskridge Lane'[sic] Trust money. I hope there has not been in any case <u>such</u> a shrinkage in value as to endanger the collection of any portion of the <u>money</u> amounts for wh [sic] the mortgages were given. The outlook in the future, as to financial matters, is not encouraging.

Please, remember me kindly to Mrs [sic] Swarr, & believe me to be

Very Truly
Yrs etc
Edw Y. Buchanan

H B Swarr Esq.

