

Bedford Springs
22nd August 1848

My dear Sir,

The President reached this on Saturday after a very agreeable trip- but since our arrival, until today, it has been cold, damp & unpleasant. Yesterday and the day before, we had fires. Today the sun is out and the springs never looked more beautiful than they are at present.

There are not more than thirty visitors here at present, but among the number there are some very agreeable persons. Col Blacks Lady – Judge Black – LePorte and the good citizens of Bedford.

This morning the President met a party at Watson (the Grove)[?] at a lunch and this evg. [evening] he visits the town where he will be presented to the Democracy at Davis! Tomorrow he will visit Schellstown (or ville) where the party will dine with the father of the young Mr Schell to whom you gave me the letter of introduction- I have invited him (Mr. S.) to dine with me today. The Democracy of this county are delighted with the visit of the President; and I have never seen a man more calculated to make friends among the masses by his free and familiar intercourse than the President. His opponents to his elections to Congress must have long since found this out.

The waters are operating on him finely and he eats and sleeps well- his only regret is not having brought Mrs P. with him.

He says he will leave this on Friday for Bath (Berkeley country) Virginia which we will reach on Saturday and where he will remain until Monday when he will leave for W_

McKeon from New York has just arrived on what business I know not. All here inquire after you and wish to be remembered. This state is certain for Cass with 20.000 majority – with

respect your fd [friend] & obt [obedient] servant
J. M. Foltz.

