Mrs. Hindman is the daughter of John A. Messenkop formerly a Tax collector in Lancaster with whom I was well acquainted. Since his decease I have done some acts of kindness for his widow the mother of Mrs Hindman, and she (Mrs H) asked me to loan her \$250 (I believe) on the security of her house & lot. This I feel disposed to do to prevent her from being imposed upon though it will doubtless be long before I shall receive any return. I do not know in what part of Lancaster she resides therefore, [sic] I send the enclosed letter to you.

yr friend		
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Mr. Swarr

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