Paujimoy March 22<sup>nd</sup> '64

Much respected friend

The day has arrived upon which my note for \$600 is due, and I find I am (as I expected) unable to pay it, and now write to beg you to make out another giving me as long a time as possible to pay it in, I say make out another, if that is the correct way I mean I wish you to be secured if any other way would be right tell me, and I will do as you direct. Capt M is absent but any paper he should sign I can send him. I have tried very hard my dear friend to save every cent that would enable me to meet the note, but every misfortune (in a business way) that would befall me, has visited me during the past year. I wish I could see you if only for a few hours and I am quite sure I could satisfy you that I am not to blame. The wharf destroyed by the flood has never been repaired for want of funds nor shall I attempt to do so. Now please write to me and tell me what I must do, and I am sure with as much perseverance as I know I have my indebtedness to you, will be paid I have written to you freely but don't feel as though I had said half enough for my thanks you have it with all my heart, and I can only beg you patience with me.

With much [?] I remain Mrs. S M-

Hon James Buchanan Lancaster Penna

[On back of letter] 22 March 1867 Mrs Samuel Magaw of Paujemoy, Charles Co. Md. 3 April 67 answ[']d vida within.

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