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Wheatland, near Lancaster 1 January 1863

Gentlemen/

I have received your favor of the 26 untimo, & in compliance with your request, am content to wait until 1 April next for the amount which you owe me, though I should be glad you could pay the whole or a part of it sooner. If not, (Deo volente), I shall draw upon you on that day for the amount: - \$1000, with interest from the 16 October 1861.

Wishing yourselves & the Patriot & Union a prosperous & happy New Year, I remain very respectfully your friend

James Buchanan

Messrs. O. Barrett & Thomas C. MacDowell of the Firm of O. Barrett & Co.

