Pittsburgh 14 July 1853

Dear Sir,

As a mutual friend permit me to urge the appointment of Col S. W. Black for the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Genl Lane. Although the Col, felt a little disappointed at what he supposed coolness on your part in his late application, yet he maintained a freindly [sic] & manely [sic] course towards you. Therefore the excerise [sic] or your <u>influence</u> to have him appointed to said vacancy, will be esteemed a personal favour [sic] that shall be properly remembered.

Respectfully & truly yours David Lynch

Hon James Buchanan

[Addressleaf: Pittsburgh postmark, addressed to Hon James Buchanan/ Lancaster/ Penn^a; 14 July 53. David Lynch/ 18 July. Answ^d]

