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I have been acquainted with the bearer hereof, Michael G. Dale Esquire of the City of Lancaster, Pa, ever since he was a boy. He is the son of Hon: Samuel Dale, a gentleman of the highest respectability & worth.

Young Mr. Dale has recently been admitted to practice law & proposes to visit the Western States for the purpose of selecting a place of residence, should he be pleased with the country. He is a gentleman of most correct & exemplary morals & manners, of industrious habits & of highly respectable talents. Being the son of an intimate friend, I most cheerfully, give him this testimonial, and have only to regret on his account that the opinion of its author is not entitled to more consideration.

James Buchanan



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