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My Dear Sir,

Houston has been to see me in reference to the reporting but I think we will have trouble if we have anything to do with him. He has just returned from Albany where I think he went for the purpose of making some arrangement with Wendell & Beuthayson - the public printer, but Houston tells me that they are not going to Washington to do the printing. Whether this is true or not I cannot tell but I have very suspicious that it is. I understand Ned Curtis has been up there and it is said he went to get them to draw off so that the Intelligence can come in for printers to Congress. If such is the fact O & B has been bought off with the understanding that the Whigs will relieve them from all liability &c. I must know more about this before I come home. I saw Crosswell a few days back and questioned him in relation to these men. He informed

me he did not know their intentions
and had not conversed with B & B since
they called upon him to go on their
bonds. I have not complied to the
strict letter of your request in regard
to your brandy because I can do
better for you than deal with second
hand dealers. I have bought you a
cask of brandy containing 23 Gals at
\$3 per gal. which is said to be of a
superior quality. The same brandy could
not be had of the firm you named
for less than \$4. I bought it with the
assistance of our friend Purdy from
the Importers at cost to them. If there
are too many gallons for you I will
take what you do not wish. I must
have five gallons at all events. The
wines I will get on very good terms
much better I think than at Beverly
and equally as good. Our friend
Purdy sends his best respects, and so do
all the good Democrats of N.Y.

Yours truly
Hill

T. P. C. E.