Washington
April 21st, 1857

My dear sir. I got here Wed-
nerday last and have at
very opportunity thought to prep-
May upon the Pres. He is very
desires to gratify Mag's friends,
but seemed to hesitate for no
reason, and I am told he
didn't himself say that reason
was a desire to give a mission
to his friend Buchanan. — I
heard the case, without men-
tioning his friend. Tell him how
Robert W. Wright had remit-
ted his cause in Illanast and
that they and her the best.
Leading friends, myself apart.
There no Wa, were bent upon
having Mag for the man.
He gave no definite reply,
but I don't try any Means
give up the hope of his
selection, and at all events.
I advise strongly against withdrawing Mr. J. paper. The pending or defeat of his nomination will not affect him or his friends in the least for the war, and the withdrawal will seem to be ill-temper which may impair our influence. Whether we know not what may turn up not only in respect to this but other matters. Let it stand while he is, and even if Buchanan is selected let him acquire with grace—it may all he more than made up to him. I am sick, wasted by my trips here, in bad health and overworked by a purpose like of

Which I have never seen

and I therefore leave for home this evening at Alex. tomorrow Mr. I left my wife not well. I arrive in an expecting situation, so I must hurry home—dis مستعدة and much to talk with Washington. We want positive men here. God bless you yours

Henry McLeod
Mr. B. Wright Sr.

A.B. — Was my de—position full & distinct enough in your case? Have you seen it — in the case of the Escaping I mean
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Died at Richmond, Va., Sept. 10, 1876.