Washington City Dec. 25/96.

You, Henry A. Wise.

My dear Sir:

There are quite a variety of

things as to which I must communicate with you -

In the first place, I have reason to know that a

lot of prying, knaves will visit you from
time to time, under the guise of friendships,

particularly from Pennsylvania, & three of this

place who are Pennsylvanians, for the purpose

of taking advantage of your courtesy and

graciousness, to do you mischief. Those of us

at the north who understand their kind of

treachery - and their name is legion - shall

under all disguises - draw them out and never

give them our thoughts - we let them do

all the talking at all the writing. It

has become a necessity, because of the

members - fashion of these rascals from

a Public man who aspires to lofty eminence,

only to reveal himself on great occasions,

before the country. He only makes himself

known by his public attitude, like the

renowned Pericles of old. I need no say
More on this head. These political serpents are mostly, at this time, of the Forney School & Chigne.

Now as to Forney. If Mr. Buchanan yields to his influence he will lose Pennsylvania in six months after the 4th March. His administration will prove a failure. I have good reason to know that Forney told to Pierce all the Buchanan influence he could command, and then was guilty of a double treachery through perfidy to Pierce after he discovered that in defiance of his oath to secure the nomination of Mr. Pierce, Buchanan would prove successful. He is as ill a man as ever walked. If Buchanan does him to the about him, rely upon it, better men & stronger men will stand Neutral & let disasters follow. Fortunately the friends of Mr.B. who have been consistent in their advocacy of his Claims to the Presidency, have proof of the help of Forney & hope for the sake of honesty in the Country.
That Mr. Buchanan will see the necessity of sending the villains out of the country by restoring him to an honorable dishonor. I cannot too strongly urge this point upon your attention and the attention of the North. You are directly interested in the matter. He can never be made your friend, and the friendship of such a man is worse than his enmity, even though the latter he leads. Now for you speak that Mr. Buchanan will harass him the country, and he has gone to work to force his nomination at the election to the U.S. Senate, if possible, so that from that positive he may force Mr. Buchanan to yield this preference.

"He should be defeated in this scheme and harassed. The talk should stress his harassment of others to nothing else. Let me assure you that we must..."
in Pennsylvania in the recent election
not by two thousand votes
solely through the fact that he
was upon the Central State
Committee. The New York Herald
attacked the party & necessary through
his name!! He is a Man of Moral
of political Influence.

The position of one or two other
men in Pennsylvania I wish you
to understand. Glancy Jones is full
of hardly ambition. He has done
strength. He has done good fronts.
She assured to the Senate also as well
up to the cabinet pulling in that and
pulling in both worlds his Dr. Jones.
John Cadwallader. He has more
Character & more Brains than J ose,
would like the Senate or the Attorney