June 7th 1848

Dear Alfred -

I have little to say & but little time to say it in but as I am in hopes that this will prove the last letter I shall have to direct to you in Mexican territory, I add a line - I went down in the Steamboat to bring Gen. Scott up to the city - He shook me most warmly by the hand & said that you were one of [illegible] did not have a more gallant officer behind him. The Whig convention meets to day in Philadelphia - All is uncertain about the nomination - Yesterday Taylor & Scott were most talked of with growing chances in Scotts favor - to day they say that all the candidates will be dropped & a new man, probably Crittenden taken up - Queen sabe? I dont, but I am tired of blay - Cass is coming on here on a general electioneering tour & I think the barnburners will be bought over - I dined the other day with Kearney, Maj Van Buren who is still delicate and Graham - & have had a very pleasant letter from Major Kirby thanking us for the books. Your letter about Stuart only arrived and was published a few days ago - It was perfectly proper but I doubt if your friend Loring will much like it. All well

George

We are growing every day more hopeful of seeing you at home again.

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