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Wilmington 10<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1847

Respected Friend & A. H. C.

Thy favour of the 25<sup>th</sup> inst  
came to hand by due course of mail it  
has been so long since I wrote thee, that I  
almost concluded my letter had not been  
received, I notice that Pampsey refuses  
to sell the children (except at their full  
value, and wishes the mother to return  
into a promise that she shall be at  
liberty, to live with our friend Buel,  
this would no doubt have been con-  
sidered a privilege before she left, but  
one she feels no disposition to accept  
under her present circumstances,  
even should her master never consent  
to part with her children, on such terms  
that her friends will be willing to ad-  
vance funds to purchase them, they  
may rest assured the mother never  
will consent voluntarily to return, &  
I hope her master will be induced  
to fix a moderate price on the chil-  
dren, so that the mother and children  
(who I presume feels as strong attach-  
ment for such others, as her master &  
children if he has any (does to last  
other, if thou will see him once  
more, and let me know his decision  
thou will much oblige thy friend

Signed Thos Garrett

Postmarked "Wilmington Dela  
Oct 30<sup>th</sup>