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Dear Brother

Yours rec^d Saturday morning. I have been canvassing the matter as I could find time but have not seen all that I wished to. All spoke favorably of it and that they would like to go if it's so they can. Of course the whole matter hinges on whether Capt. Callan can go or not. If he can't go, then of course you will not expect the rest of us. And as soon as you have his answer you must advise^{us} what it is so we will know whether to count on going or not.

Bill Williamson says if Callan goes he will sure. Acker is right smartly enthused and says you may expect him if his health will admit of it. Geo. Townsen says he will go if his wounded hand continues to improve. John Nichols is afraid he will be cut out - his regular court sits on the 28th. Others say they will go if they can. Of course I expect to be there and I am trying to persuade the old woman that it would be a good time for her to go also.

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She could put in the time at Mr. Eubanks' while your entertainment is going on. She has not yet however given her consent to go.

And now as to the time you mention: it comes in awkward. The 27th is Sunday. If Ballan comes here ^{on 25th} of course he will have to spend the 26th here in getting his Daughter fixed for the session: that would throw us to make the trip to Georgetown on 27th (Sunday) and the fish fry or barbecue on Monday. Can't you so arrange as for us to run down on Monday and have the entertainment on Tuesday? However, we leave it to you to arrange such time as will suit you best.

Buren's wound improves slowly - but he took his place at the desk this morning by the Doctor's permission - he thinks by being careful that work at the desk will not be against him.

I shall expect to hear from you soon informing me whether Ballan can go over or not and giving us such other information as it will be important for us to have before going, if he go.

Your Brother
MVB Sparks