

la Ronde 25th Feby 1780.

[Sept. 25, 1780.]

Mr.

when your letter of yours last came at la Ronde,
I was at the winter of Cadet where Capt. de la
Ronde died; it was sent to me a month after
but my mind was far from being re-
laxed with regard to take any interest whatever
in things strangers to the loss of had made
now that the care of my fortune call on my
immediate attention, I will have the honor
to answer your letter.

The gentlemen of the board of treasury might
without letting down a single line from the
dignity in which they are elevated by their
high station, have answered a letter from
a gentleman of the army & besides a
creditor of their sovereign

when Mr. Morris was minister of finances
we have been well payed, he held his office
from the 1st of Feby 1780 as the board of
treasury hold it now; also it is not on
congress that must fall the blame of the

Bankruptcy, for there is no other word, proper
to the circumstances, which we experience
from the united states.

I wish more for your country sir, than
for my own interest, America had been more
faithfull in her engagements, they were
controulled in the infancy of her sovereignty,
when she was much in trouble, when she
was weak and wanted assistance; now
that she has a sort of consolante, who
is honest and greatful agreeable to her
own ease. for my part I have too many
private attachments in that country
& too great an affection for her form of
government, not to suffer a great deal
by the diminishing of her first report
& you must know sir, how much the
several parts on which that report was
established, are full in discredit.

This sir, is the last letter I shall have
the honor to write to you on the subject
of our arrearages; I acknowledge that I am
much indebted to you for the activity with
which you have acted in that affair.

we are all persuaded of your finicity &
good will and we shall express with much
pleasure this sentiment in all the proceedings
which the conduct of the board of treasury
does & will suggest to us.

I have the honor to be with great respect
your Excellency's

Yrs

The most ob^d & affec^t Servt
J. Mth D^r Wh^l Rth Mth

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