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I have been so much occupied for some time in getting ready  
for the Voyage that I have only Time to enclose you a Letter from  
Mr Madira which will give you all the important In-  
formation of this Place —

My Mail arrived here from the Northward last Thurs-  
day — so that I am still undetermined whether you  
will sail on the 25<sup>th</sup> as at first supposed. I have  
seen from the Beginning it would be impossible to  
overtake you as soon as that — I however hope  
that you are delayed long enough I will endeavour  
medicably to overtake you — if not I shall pur-  
sue by the way of Norfolk —

I have to beg Sir you will write me fully  
direct to Richmond — shewing me when you sail — from  
what Place & — enquired by my Sister by the last  
Post — what will be the best Port for me to sail  
from — when I shall overtake you in Europe if we do  
not go together —

I am with the greatest Sincerity

of Regard

Yours &c.

W. Short

May 22<sup>d</sup>. 1786

The Honble Thomas Jefferson

Annapolis

or at

Mr House's

Philadelphia

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