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Thos. Jefferson according to the request of Mr Prout, returns him
the inclosed certificate. The price of the lands in Louisiana, the means of
ensuring residence on them, and the ~~cases~~ cases of individuals interested
in the N. Carolina cession, are within the competence of Congress only, and
will doubtless continue to occupy their attention. The acquisition of the
Floridas, & the exchange of lands with the Indians on this side the Miss-
-sippi are ^{also} ~~of~~ of first importance; but time & favorable incidents
must be awaited for their accomplishment. he presents to Mr Prout
his salutations & respects.

Monticello Sep. 19. 05.

Prout Joshua. Sep. 19. 05.

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