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Dear Sir

You will be surpris'd by my Letter writ-
ten on Friday Evening which mentioned that
yours ~~Letter~~ had not arriv'd — I waited until about
in the Evening as I could be on Account of the
Departure of the Post before I wrote — Some Time
after that Mr Dumas call'd to let me know
he had just receiv'd the Letter which he pre-
sent'd me — I was exceedingly happy to
find that it allow'd us to pursue the Mea-
sures agreed on with the Baron, ~~and~~ &
yesterday Evening we put the finishing

Hand to the Bunnep - He has signed
both of the Treaties which I brought - retained
one & delivered me the other, which I shall
have the Pleasure of putting into your Hands
very soon - as I set out this Morning for
Paris - The Post travelling faster than
I can I have thought it best to give you
the earliest Information I could of the
Completion of this Affair, & of the Ar-
rival of your Letter - Still it is to
be observed that it could not have been
given to the Post so early as you expected, since
it was nine Days from its Date to its

Annual — Accept for my sincerest
Wishes for your Happiness, & believe me
yours, with the greatest Sincerity

W. Short

The Hague

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