

Feb 7, 1804

Lexington, Kentucky

Sir,

It is with great diffidence  
that I have taken the liberty to send you  
a series of Reflections on the late Cession  
of Louisiana, to the United States. They  
were dictated and committed to paper, last  
Summer, during the pendency of that  
negotiation of which, you are the parent; &  
which, in its ultimate issue, has added  
the most important advantages to the  
our Country.

Be so obliging, therefore, as to accept  
the pamphlet, which I have the honor to  
send you. It is a small testimony of the  
sincere <sup>and</sup> devotion, for an administration, which,  
in every respect, compares with the true genius  
& liberty of the American Nation.

I am, Sir, with great respect,

Your Mo. Servant

Math B. Waples



M<sup>r</sup>. Under Allen B. Livingston. N. Y.  
recd. Feb. 7. 04.