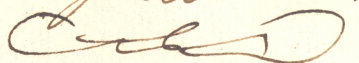


D^r Sir

West River near Annapolis
Nov. 30th 1793.

I have taken the liberty to request you to
inform me the state of Philadelphia as to health at
present & whether Congress are to sit there - If
I can attend with any tolerable safety, I shall do it
but, the probability of being exposed in Taverns or
lodging Houses to infected furniture added to a
number of melancholy domestic circumstances,
urge me to decline a treaty which some delicate
circumstances would otherwise induce me to discharge
for a time - With every sentiment of respect & affection

I am Dear Sir,
Yours &c.

John F. Mercer.


Mercer 9. F. Annapolis Nov. 30. 93

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Dear Mr. [illegible]
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