

Danville Ky, Feb 3, 1822rd

Honoured Sir,

Yours of the 11th of Dec
I received; words are wanting to
express my gratitude for your
kindness, a remembrance of which
shall descend with me to the
grave, although, I assure you, that
a simple lock of your hair,
whitened by the frosts of 79 win-
ters, would have been received
with equal respect, and a degree
of veneration. I addressed you
from pure motives, your receiving
it as such, has rendered me
superlatively happy, and could
I believe as you do, that thousands

have acted from the same disinterested motives, that have ever characterized your life, gladly would I, but I fear true patriotism will be lost in the death of M^r Jefferson. I will trespass no longer on your patience, (not to have returned you thanks, would have made me uneasy) but merely observe, that in the humble capacity of an Abecedarian, I obtain a competency, which is the height of my ambition, and that to the list of friends in the West, I may add the names of Joshua Fry Esq^r and F. F.

Mary formerly of Althorpe.
May your few remaining days
be tranquil and happy, and
when the messenger of Death
shall receive his mandate to
put a final period to your
earthly existence, may you
pass without fear the glo-
rion vale, that separates time
from eternity, and be cheered
with the welcome sound, of well
done than good and faithful
servant.

with emotions too
great for utterance
I subscribe myself
your sincere admirer

Duncan Forbes Robertson

Robert son Duncan Forbes, Danville Feb. 3. 22.

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than

Will

The Hon

Thomas Jefferson

Charlottesville

Virginia

