

Dear Sir

Paris Nov. 21. 1788.

Your several favors of Sep. 24. Oct. 2. 3. 11. 18. were unacknowledged because, at the time of writing them, you could not tell me how I should direct to you. That of Oct. 28. desired me to write to Rome; but from the time of receiving it till yesterday, I have been in one of those squalls of work with which you are acquainted. That over, and my dispatches for America clear of the house, I had set down to write to you, and in that moment received Mrs Paradise's letter of Nov. 10. from Bergamo, informing me that you were there ill, & desired I might address to you poste restante at Milan, which I shall do. Imprimis accept my very sincere condolences at your being stopped on the road by a gripe which would have done better to have arrested you here; and secondly my counsel not to proceed too soon, & to begin by small journeys; as nothing is so apt to produce a relapse of fever as fatigue; and relapses more troublesome than the original disease. I am in hopes you will find the rest of your journey still more agreeable than the beginning. I shall lighter it of one load, that of getting me the Vocabolario della Crusca which Molini has furnished me. Our news from America is to the beginning of October. Pennsylvania had elected its two Senators for the new government, Robert Morris & a Mr. Clay. Morris had an arrival from China worth 150,000 £. as all understanding between Mr. Adams & Mr. Harcock both proposed as vicepresidents, and every state likely to bring forward a candidate Mr. Short

of their own, in which case you know the Senate will choose from
among those possessing the greatest number of votes, if there be an equa-
lity of votes. a general hailstorm about the 26. of August has done great
mischief from N. Hampshire to Virginia. it occasioned the price of ta-
-bacco there to rise immediately, to 30/. The king of England has
for some time been at death's door. his disease is dropsical, tend-
-ing to the head. a perpetual delirium, with rare & doubtful lucid
intervals, makes it strongly believed to be a regular hydrocephalus, in
which case the skilful pronounce either his death or insanity. The par-
-liament was to meet yesterday on it's prorogation, and it was un-
-der contemplation that they should establish a regency. — here the
Notables are in session, but they have deservedly lost their popularity.
it is evident that the court wished to give to the tiers etat a double
number of votes. the bureau of Monsieur voted this by a majority
of one voice only. The other 5. bureaux rejected it almost una-
-nionally. There is great outcry against this, & the friends of the
people and of justice will try the question over again in an assembly
of all the bureaux. but there seen no hopes of success. This is the
first event which has shewn that there will be a combination of
the nobles and clergy, and consequently it will throw the people
decidedly into the scale of the king. this may end in liberty or des-
potism at his will. I think that both he & his ministers are in favor
of liberty, & that having 23 millions & a half of the people on their side
they

They will call the other half million to order, and shew them that instead of being two thirds of the nation they are but the forty eighth. stocks have been very low since you went away. at present the 125. million of 1784. is at 18. loss, & the Caisse d'Escompte at 39⁴⁰. and stationery. you have doubtless heard of the deaths of the Marechal de Biron and Marquis de Chatelet. The duke de Chatelet has the office of the former. Shippens arrived here about a week ago. he staid only 3 or 4. days, & set out to London. he carried my letter to Mr J. asking leave of absence. I have five letters here for Mr Rutledge. two are from Cuttig. the three others from his father. They came inclosed to me with bills for 50£, 100£ & 200£ sterl. I gave the bills to his bankers Kerr & Broad to forward him the contents, but I know not whether to send the letters till I can be instructed by him. be so good as to mention this to him, & apologise for my not writing. I depend you will communicate to him all the news, & you know I can ill afford to write two letters there one can be made to do. I ask his indulgence therefore. I am grieved to hear you have never looked back on Paris with regret. I doubted it from your seeming attachment to it's society, and should hope your own country when you return to it, will still be more capable of making you forget it, than that thro' which you are passing. the apprehensions I had entertained were sceptical only, & proceeded from wishes for your happiness, and those sentiments of sincere esteem & attachment with which I am Dear Sir
your affectionate friend & humble servt.

J. H. Jeffeson

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well well with his probos at miller field will all the day past
tired all the way pell-mell all the day past pell-mell
so he, passed from way west and now went east about 10 miles
and about 10 miles all the day to a steep hill where all the
trees all up breast split loose and went over, precipitate his capo
about it, scattered its fragments like mist as it descended all the
around houses nigh all of them all had fallen in
one end of two left, except 2 or 3 that stood, one tree a wood
and wood, several pieces of wood parts I saw at other places all
scattered all fallen most was out, splintered tree top and scattered
two trees of them the rest of broken in mass pell-mell and
most of them I had seen and it all all except 2 stood there
all rooted all tree in fell hills broken and I said, another all root
and still立在 there at the foot of it, and got broken in mass
and among them was a large linden tree of singular size.
and down it dropped all and came in, I never all the time I
had ever seen him sit there, of it there is no one made nothing
I am here when you and your men at Concord met
I found the former way west to hill road, I say Mr. Con-
cord was well, others more way west broken down, others I do
not call to know what portion of all day was at that time, so
you understand all understandings etc., you see my bird's eye
and this spring was not winter and December all the winter
is not, not like the December of another year so it is winter