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1825, February - December

ALS

A. McLANE, Wilmington,
Del. to JAMES BARRON,
Washington and Gosport.
7 letters.

A. McL., a Revolutionary
War veteran writes of his
experiences accompanying
GEN'L. LAFAYETTE on his
visit to America.

1825, February 16

ALS

A. McLANE, Wilmington, to
JAMES BARRON, Philadelphia

Re. the chance that he will
lose his position because he sup-
ported JACKSON over ADAMS.

Wilmington, Feby 16th 1825.

My Dear Barron,

You will be surprized at hearing from me at this place. I recollect saying to you when we parted on the 30th Ult^o, that I should write to you from Washington: but the day I got here I was laid on my back, with a violent attack of the rheumatic gout; I have not been out side of my house since, and do not calculate on returning before the Steamboat Superior runs.

I am authorised to have the Oil Cannisters made of copper, provided Mr Harley will make them for 40¢ each. - Capt Maffet enclosed Mr Harley's proposal on the 4th inst. This day Mr Pleasonton replied to me. I have written by mail two letters to Capt Maffet, but have not received a line from him: I fear he is sick, or that my letters have miscarried. I will thank you to see him and Harley, and let me know if the Light boat etc, are ready to move, - the navigation is clear here.

I may be ousted after the 4th march, having preferred Jackson to Adams for President, all the Adams men in this place talk of petitioning to have me removed. Bad luck to the scoundrel, I fought for the privilege of election, while some of them were herding their fathers cows to give John Bull milk.

Let me know when the Wilmington Steam Boat

will be launched and ready to run. Next week the Steamboat
boats will commence running.

Remember me affectionately to your dear
children.

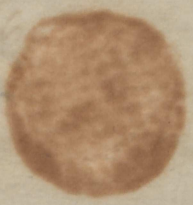
Ever yours,

Am'ty Moe.

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Ans^d

PAID

McLane

Commodore James Barron

South corner of Walnut St & 4th Streets,

~~Academy Square,~~

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PHILADELPHIA
FEB 16
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July 11
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1825, August 1

ALS

A. McLANE, Philadelphia,
to JAMES BARRON, Washington

Re. his visit with GEN'L

LA FAYETTE.

my Dr. Barron

Philadelphia August 5. 1825

You have no doubt heard I
have been under the weather since we parted I
have heard with great pleasure you are
your self ever since. The operation for Phlegm
God. I keep a float till the 12 of July then
I went up till end drove on the overfalls
near Cape may light. on the 8 July I had heard
the floating light boat had lost one of her oars
and 60 fathoms of line. I run down to her
near the 14 feet bank found all wrong
the Master could not tell when he lost his
oars or tent I appeared in the blow of the 4 June
then repaired to Cape Henlopen had a survey
on the Beacon light house then finished
the survey ^{placed it in good order} and attempted to pass to Cape
may. in the E.S. shall that Commodore
Bonbrigg had sailed in when he surveyed
the entrance of the Delaware was styled to be
in a calm then made it 115 Above O. Under
the moon of June reached Cape may on the
12 - June. was run up to Milwauke
and lay under the Doctor's hand till the
25 July when our Dr. Lafazette called on
me in his quarters and said his command
or we would not suffer me to accompany

to the old Battleground. where he heekely spill
his blood, in the good Old Cause. You know
I never disobey the Genl. he then told me
he had accepted the offer of the Government to
return to France, in the new Regate. and
that I must see him before he departed from
Norfolk. now my de. friend Cray has
agreed to accompany me to post what
ever you fix the time to meet you
this and as I am leaving the French a while
you must not be surpris'd. the Glove
or much Frenchness as will enable me
to slip the French Gaule. after we
arrive. I return from that city & every
evening. to Welmington in the steam boat
arrive in the city next morning. takes the
Strasbourg path. and return to the
Boate by two. and same. path improve
me. God bless you drop me a line
if possible by mail

Every our
present me to Comman
Dembred the House he recommend
is built and every body is pleased
R. M. Hall

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Samuel James Garrison

Dr. J. S. Johnson
Washington
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Sageville



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Aug 1st
1875

1825, August 15 ALS
A. McLANE, Wilmington,
Delaware, to JAMES BARRON
Personal affairs.

my utmost desire Melby In August 15. 1825

When your last returned Father
reached this place on the 5th Inst. I was on my
beam. Confined with Rheumatism in my
limb, I have received a stroke of the sun
in the Bay. on the 15th ult. I had to secure
one of our floating light boats that had
ported her chains - after being roasting
for 4 hours then rowed 110 above the
Calm - in the same boat that Commodore
Bombréj' named the Porpoise - landed
on Cape one. I was in the time and
brought on the pains of Death

my recovery with
will depend on your getting released
from the Perpetang you have been in
all July. and August I have wrote to
Craig he has wrote to you - and I have
made up my mind to move as you
and Craig may arrange. I should
be satisfied to see our Dr. Ford with you

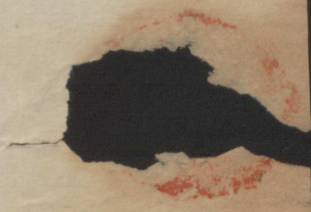
on board the Brandenburg at Sea. and then
revere one of those affectionate Squeezes that
no other man. but of our self could give

God preserve you inform
me as the our prospects of meeting at
Brent Compt as to was happy to receive
Cray's my self love come

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Speaks of "our dear Annual" - See page 11.

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Comdr James Barron
Navy Yard
District
Columbia

15 Aug
1872
McLean

1825, August 28
A. McLANE, Wilmington,
Delaware, to JAMES BARRON,
Washington

Re. LAFAYETTE

Jay's Mirror

Wilmington Del Aug. 28. 1875

I am apprehensive that our
 friend Craig will prevent our meeting
 at Washington as readable to your Majesty
 before Gen Lafayette takes his departure
 my son Louis has rec'd a letter from
 Gen W Lafayette advising him that he
 was to meet me ~~at~~ ~~the~~ ~~place~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~city~~ ~~of~~ ~~Washington~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~first~~ ~~of~~ ~~Sept~~ ~~and~~ ~~Craig~~
 was to meet me ~~at~~ ~~the~~ ~~place~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~ ~~city~~ ~~of~~ ~~Washington~~ ~~in~~ ~~the~~ ~~first~~ ~~of~~ ~~Sept~~ ~~and~~ ~~Craig~~
 calculated on being with you to morrow
 my son Louis was to visit Washington
 before he sailed & spotted he is now
 confined with a fever and I do not
 calculate on his company or Craig's
 but as I am in my usual good & happy
 and in good health I am determined to
 be at Baltimore on Monday morning
 were I hope to receive a letter from you
 direct to me at Baltimore

I wish you to write to your family to
me that I shall leave Baltimore on Thursday
and hope to be at Gosport on Friday morning
and I shall follow the ship to sea if they
stand on and don't stop at Old Point
is the story says If they don't we determine
at the Old Point I could paint out the
spot on Back Pass were the British.

Surprised his friends. I will depart in
November 1781 - while on a Reconnoitering
of the round between Hampton and the
York Pass. an interesting period to
be found as well as the United States.

© that you to obtain leave
of absence for a few days and dinner
at Gosport. I do not despair of meeting
Craig there remember me to Elliot. Tell
him I have my Old hapsy the feathers
feather dress up and intend to. Leave it
with him. on condition he will mount
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Milton for Lafayette
Agent of New York

McLane
Aug 28
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Commodore James Barron

Washington City

Trick ~~Wheat~~ postages



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Mr. Barron
Secretary of the
Department
Signal Book
Mr. Young
Mr. Bondie
mode of
The building of a
ship the best means of
procuring her
Spencer's Machine
Signal Book
New to direct letters

1825, September 5

ALS

A. McLANE to JAMES
BARRON, Washington

Re. a visit to Nonfalle
and the departure of GEN'L.
LAFAYETTE.

my Dr Commandr Barrow

Dr Point Sept. 5. 1825

here I am pushing my self to
assuage my Pains. I am wretched with
the Chronic Rheumatism Alas for it. -
I arrived at Norfolk on Friday last crossed
to Gosport. Spent the day with your Dr
& daughter the oldest I never saw before I am
delighted with your situation. you have
improved the Establishment and Garding alre-
ady. after the Geese have eaten my fine
French Grapes I shall plant the seeds
of our Garding. we hope you will
return on Thursday next be that as it may
I shall hang on till you return I am
here on a visit to officers of this Establishment
have been well received. As for I shall
not be able to fall in with our Dr Lafayette
before he takes his departure. but I shall
if possible raise the wind to board him
on his passage to see I brought him a box
of my fine French Grapes for the good of his
Stomach when he is sick I devoted the same to
his son George and wrote him a letter but all
on board in the care of Capt. Morris's steward.
If you can him mention the same come
you may see the good tomorrow remember
me most respectfully and affectionately
to him his son & family. tell him the thoughts
of seeing once more of me as my Pains.

God bless you with health Amthance
and Patience

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Sept 5th 1825

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Comd. James Barron,

Washington City

Lafayette

1825, November 24

ALS

A. McLANE, Wilmington,
Delaware, to JAMES BARRON,
Hospital Navy Yard

Re. his Revolutionary War
service.

Dr Friend

Wilmington De Nov 24. 1825.

yesterday's Steam Boats Mail I did
me by your favour of the 20th Inst. it is gratifying
to hear of your Dr. family. I fear I shall
not be able to raise the wind and spare
the time to move to Gosport this fall.

I saw our friend Craig last
week he promises to write a few days
before he moves to New Castle and
I was to meet him on board the Baltimore
boat. I fear the failure of Edward Thomson
will wound him as well as my self
till now I was in hopes I should have
been able to have recovered from Thomson
the 12000 dol. the Lawyers have recovered
of my money - but now it is
over except I can recover my claim
on a Judgt. of the Supreme Court Thomson
has failed for 1500 thousand dol. it is supposed
he has realized a Million. in India and
on his wife and children when the war of
1812 commenced. he was not worth one dol.
Clear I expect the United States will lose
150 thousand on bond for duties. his aim
has been to cheat every body he
could reach. for some years he has got
round the market in England by calling
his ships after their names it was

a Saviour in the days of our youth that Cheater
said would not prosper but now none
prosper but the Cheater and he that is
faithful to his Country and trust
reposed in him is persecuted and abused
a ruff on the Subject

present me affectionately
to your D^r family
and friends If you
can find one out of your
House hold

Ever your

Wm. M.

nothing more
the Subject of the
Proclamation in a
few years. Those
that sacrificed their
all to bring it about
will be forgotten.
I am now one of the
oddest left and when
I am gone you will
be the oddest. Look round
you how many far
you find that took the
bull by the horns in 1775

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at Gosport Virginia

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1825, December 28

ALS

A. McLANE, Washington, to
JAMES BARRON, Esq, port,
Virginia

Personal affairs.

my Dr. Barron

Washington City. Decr. 28. 1825

This day's mail brought me the
Norfolk and Portsmouth Herald: which
announces the Marriages & Deaths that your
Dr and accomplished daughter M^{rs} Tuttle is no
more my Good Friend I can converse
with you. out of fourteen Sons and
Daughters I have but three left. The Lords
will be done. and our consolation is
the more. we do on our Children the
better they are prepared. to enjoy Happiness
with their Dear Mothers. in the world of
Spirits. I have been here since the 18th Inst.
preparative to my. Suite in the Supreme
Court. it is probable I shall be here till
March I have taken room, in 2^d Street

shall I have the pleasure of seeing you here
this winter. If the steam boats should run
in January before the Court meet I shall
make a run to Gosport. The Phœnix
clings to me but thank God. my sheets
are up. and I feel reserved remember

me affectionately to Susanna and Mary
God bless them & all your Comforts in
Cape.

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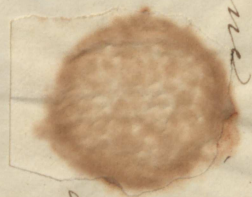


Ans^r 1825
Commodore James B. Mason

Georgetown, Virginia

Mr Juttie's death

Dec 18 1825



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