

Providence April 15. 1809.

My dear Sir

I had not the pleasure to receive your favor of the 22^d. ulto. till the morning of my departure for Albemarle some time since, to wh. cause it was owing that you did not sooner hear from me. I am very thankful for your kind attention to the objects stated in it, which you have supplied to the state in London. They were indispensably necessary, & I should have found it very difficult to procure them without your aid. You will much oblige me by repeating your useful hints to Mr. Thompson, to be as active & prudent as possible in the management of the business confided to him, for in his success is my interest most essentially involved.

I am sorry to have had intelligence to come from late to you from Mr. Menzies. On my late return from Albemarle I recd. the two letters which I now enclose you. It is probable he may have written to you like-wise, but it is possible these may suggest something which you would wish to know. I shall write to day to Mr. Hipton, to ascertain whether he has the fund alluded to by Mr. Menzies still at his disposal; if he has you shall hear of it without delay. I am altogether without the means of assisting you, or should be happy to render it. He has paid a vast sum, and it is probable he may draw on me for my portion of the

joint engagement. Should he do it I must rely on you &
Mr Gornett, ~~matrimonial~~ provisions for it. Perhaps from the pay-
ment already made by Mr Merritt, & the menace of communi-
cation by the balance held out by Mr Merritt, you may find
it advisable in concert with Mr Gornett, to raise the whole
amount at once of some bank, to be applied in discharge
of the claim.

It happened that on the day that my note in the books
has become due, I recd. from Mr Taliaferro a substitute
to it, so that it was not necessary for me to await myself
of those, in wh. you were so kind as to condescend with me.
I feel the same acknowledgments however, that I shoud. have
done, had I derived from them the aid which you intended
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I sent to Mr Lacey sometime since a writ of fieri facias
to be served on George Laster - for the revival of the suit
against him in the court of appeals, with whom object
you are acquainted. A mistake in the name had been
made in a former writ, wh. altho' corrected before it
was not allowed by the court. This made it necessary
to have another issued & served. I fear that this last one
by being directed to Loudoun generally, & not to Gosken,
has miscarried. To guard against accident, I have today
obtained & sent him another, in the hope that it may
be returned without fail to the approaching court of
appeals, by which I hope to have it decided. May I
request your aid if necessary in promoting the service
& return of the writ in time. I am Dear Sir sincerely
your friend & servt
J. Montee

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