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J. S. Bourne
Supt of State
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Dear Sir

much time has elapsed since I had the
pleasure of hearing from you. I have often, her
before, contemplated writing to inquire, how you
& Mrs Campbell, & your children, for I hear that
you pass a second, enjoy your health, and can
give no good reason for having omitted to do it,
except that while at Washington, I often received
advice of Judge Anderson. Having leisure here,
my mind reviews with much interest the past,
& with no little anxiety, for the welfare of those, with
whom I have lived, at a perilous time, in terms
of friendship. It will give Mrs. M. & me in
great pleasure, to receive favorable intelligence, on
the above subject, in detail from you. We hope
also that Mrs Campbell is pleased with her new
residence. Mrs M. may speak with an approving
consensus on this point, as she also left her state
& her family, & became a good Virginian.
Just before the peace, I

had a most severe attack of the epidemic, which
had nearly carried me off. My confinement was not
long, but my convalescence has been slow, especially
in the recovery of my ordinary size. I lost much flesh,
which I have, even yet, in part to regain. I am
here in the hope of regaining it, & I have much reason
to presume that at this time the effect will not be im-
mediate, it may be counted on at no distant day. I
have had no other indisposition, than a certain de-
gree of debility, incident to so severe an attack.
I heard with much pleasure from Judge Anderson
that you had entirely recover'd your health, the
effect of repose & better air, than you enjoyed at
Washington. If so, may we not hope to see you
again in public life. I need not tell you that I
should be much gratified by it.

France has been again the scene of very extra-
ordinary events. The reappearance & overthrow of
Bonaparte are alike wonderful. As yet we know
not what has become of him, or what will be the fu-
ture of that country.

Reports say that a treaty of commerce has been formed
by our commissioners with England, but we have no official
account of it. As two of the gentlemen are said to be on
their return home we may expect, daily, authentic in-
telligence. With great respect & esteem for you & lady, to
whom present our best regards, I am Dear Sir sincerely yours

Jas Monroe