

but Mr. M. & child are well & who with Joe & desire to  
be affectionately remembered to you. You will be  
so kind as remember me to Mr. Jefferson & family  
and to my other neighbours. I shall probably write to  
Joseph. I hope my people do not suffer & particularly  
Peter & Maria to whom remember us. With great  
sincerely I am yr affectionate friend & prot  
J. Monroe.

To Joseph Jones

Paris July 1. 1795.

Dear Sir

I have lately been favored with yours of the  
of last. You have no doubt long since recd  
two or three of mine & apprising you of our con-  
sent and what was otherwise apprehended to us as well as the  
publics on this theatre up to this respective date. The  
sum of what has since followed may be comprised  
in a small space. Within the last week the French  
have actually taken Amsterdam & the whole of the  
province of Holland, with the forts of Breda, Bergen  
op Zoom &c and therefore the entire conquest of  
the whole of the 7 provinces. The Stadholder with  
his family made his escape & whither is unknown  
but presumed either to Engl<sup>d</sup> or Prussia. Before  
this last week a minister had arrived from the  
States genl. who had offered great sums, the forts  
the fleet &c, but he was refused & the army or-  
dered to advance. The extent & details of the acqui-  
sition are not pretty known as yet, nor is it known  
how this country will be considered, but I am  
inclined to think that the French will ostensibly  
leave them to arrange their own affs, (intend-  
ing absolutely ultimately so to do) but confide  
only in the patriots & the people's favor of  
put a revolution. Engl<sup>d</sup> will most sensibly feel this



went: indeed I suspect it is but the commencement of her misfortunes, for it is certainly the intention of France to crush her if possible. Now will this be avoidable if the other powers are detached & the Holland fleet is taken. Within a few days a minister Baron Stahl arrived from Sweden, and a Count Laubitz from Prussia, & tis said that Baron Goly from Prussia is on the way so that these powers want no invitation [the Russian it is presumed] comes on behalf of the Emperor to abandon her. The eyes of the world are cast upon her & her fate is deemed almost inevitable and yet none pity her. In my next I shall be able to give more comprehensive details.

In other respects the affairs of the republic flourish much. The people are contented, of which the best proof in this city, has lately been shown, by the patience with which they have borne the severest winter known for many years past, altho' there was the worst possible provision made for such incident. The public councils are it is true sometimes somewhat animated, & now and then the head of a capital offender is taken off as was lately done of Carrier. The infamers representation at Nantes - but yet no danger threatens from this source. With respect to our own affairs they may be said to be on a good footing. They have actually agreed to execute the treaty of commerce whereby our flag will protect every body's goods. Some uneasiness is maintained upon the subject of Jay's

treaty but it is hoped when it is seen it will appear that there is no cause for it: after which every thing will be right again.

I transmit by this opportunity to Mr. Mendot the order for 3000 dollars: it was intended I should receive here. It was detained to be committed to the minister w<sup>th</sup> to depart, but his delay continuing I have forwarded it to Mademoiselle to be sent by some safe captain. - I have devoted this money to be paid to you. - I am extremely glad to hear that you have purchased Louisiana. You will of course apply this sum in that & other purposes according to your own judgment & knowledge of my affairs. I suspect you will not be able to apply any to the claims of Virginia officers, tho' certainly the profit would be immense, for be assured land there will soon rise greatly - surmounting what you have any idea of. - and as with respect to my brothers I can add nothing wishing you to do for them what you can within the limits and according to what I have heretofore intimated: as likewise my sister Joseph is well and since my last, his conduct has been much improved. He begins to understand the French which was previous to every thing. He has grown very perceptibly & seems inclined to copy