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The Committee of arrangement for
the Dinner to Gen. Lafayette present
their most respectful compliments
to the President of the U. S. and
inform him that in consequence
of their not being aware that they
would have the pleasure of his
company, they have been deprived
of the opportunity of extending timely
invitations to his Family. The President
will be so good therefore as to assure
those Gentlemen that their presence
at the dinner will be peculiarly
acceptable to the Committee. The
Committee take this opportunity of
enclosing a toast which is intended
to be given on the occasion.

Toast

The President of the U. States, our
respectability abroad, & prosperity at home
are the best eulogy of his
administration.

Washington 1st Jan^y 1825.

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To The President of the
N. S.



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I can not but be deeply affected, by the generous sentiments, which you have express'd, in favor of my conduct, in the high trust, which I have so long held from my country. In ~~its~~ ^{our} respectability abroad, and prosperity at home, no one can take, a ^{more} profound interest, & ~~greater~~ ^{greater} delight, than I do. It is to the virtue, patriotism and intelligence of our fellow citizens, ~~that we owe this success;~~ ^{and I see in it,} the most decisive proof, of the excellence, and stability, of our republican institutions. That I have exerted my best faculties, in a long course of public service, to support these institutions, & to promote the welfare & happiness, of our union, is most certain. To receive this public acknowledgment, from so distinguished an assembly, collected on an occasion, so highly interesting & honorable to the nation, affords me a gratification which I shall for ever cherish.

~~Yours affectionately~~

In answer to

An invitation from the Committee of Arrangements for the dinner to a given Lafayette, to Mr Monroe & Family



I have not had a single offer, by the printer, in
 return you have refused it in favor of my book, as
 the right thing which I have to say has been
 rejected. In the present state of the
 of France, no one can take a step forward in
 the right, there is no one to be
 distinguished and intelligent of our
 that we are this success, & in the
 in the proof of the calculation, and stability, of
 reputation in the world. What I have written
 but for the sake of a long world of people
 to report their intention, & to know
 of a paper, of our success, & to
 them. Do not think of this as a
 must, from the right, & to know
 in an occasion, to report, & to know
 to the nature, efforts in a
 that for our benefit.

~~Paris, 1793~~