

The newspapers from home make me quite unhappy: they present such a picture of confusion and irregularities of all kinds - I have to console myself with the reflection that things always appear worse at a distance, and are felt more keenly on this side the water - It is a great relief however that the late Congress has passed away - they have been done no credit to themselves on the Country.

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There is nothing which is not highly interesting
in the evidence. You appear to
be a Hamilton.

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What are your private thoughts as to the lottery of 44? Having been among the Abolitionists at the Metropolis, I expect you will give me a full insight into the political game - Lottery of Washington; I found in looking over a collection of treaties this morning your signature to a treaty with the Brazils in 1829: That's some time ago. Is it not?
Good night: Kiss mamma & the girls for me a thousand times and tell them to write to me about every body and every thing dear you

mistaken; at least as to the majority - the French Papers are pleased with this new prospect of a difficulty between the two Countries; and in England the news is received in silence - two excellent articles have appeared lately in Galignani signed 'an American' on the strong red line, and the unratified treaty of 1823, in reference to the Slave Trade - at first they were attributed to W. Irving, but they are now given justly to W. Walsh.

The Herald has a short article on the Kemschatka alluding to others in the Courier - I hope the pamphlet will be sent to me as soon as it appears by way of Haver.

I am very curious to learn about your visit to Washington and what you have succeeded in effecting - The Herald, & the European papers copy its articles, speaks of the failure of Lord Johnson's project; while I have looked, thro' the proceedings in Congress, and cannot even find a report of the Special Committee on the subject.

There is a good deal of interest expressed in the papers of England, & France in relation to the present condition of Cuba, and the Spaniards make a great outcry against what they call the weakness of their Govt, and its subjection to England - as by the last arrivals, it appeared that vessels of war were fitting out at New York & elsewhere, they ^{said} ~~thought~~ the vessels were intended for Tangiers; I suspect if any where they are intended to go to the West Indies.

I suppose you are all collected at Revis again before this time, and I hope you all continue in good health - In a little more than a week I expect to hear from you by the Packet of the 1st March.

It seems by the report of the first three or four days of MacKenzie's trial that Mr. Duer is too strong for the Judge Advocate. I am well pleased that the Court would not admit Counsel in behalf of the relatives of Spencer. It would have been an unusual course to unnecessary for the attainment of justice; besides savouring of persecution.