

Paris Dec 16th 1845

Dear Sir,



Admiral from Madrid has
presented your letter of Oct. 30th from
reaching me in due season.

Your account of the first voyage of
the splendid packet ship, which the
owners have thought proper to call
after me, is highly gratifying. I
hope her succeeding voyages will be
as prosperous and profitable as her
first has been brilliant.

The good feelings and good wishes
expressed by your fellow passengers
toward myself, and which you say

you are deputed to communicate
to me, call for my most heartfelt
acknowledgments. To merit such
good will has ever been the leading
object of my life; being ever more
desirous of being liked than admired.

With many thanks for the kind
expressions in your own post contained in
your ~~last~~ letter I am, my dear Sir,

Very truly & respectfully

Yours obliged

Washington Irving

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