

Baltimore March 10. 1812

Dear Sir,

I had the honor of receiving
your Esteemed Favor of the 6th Current.

I have debited Madame Bonaparte with
\$17. for the Lettery ticket - Tomorrow the
first Drawn ticket will be entitled to \$30,000
Tickets are sold at \$50 — I observe
by the papers a very singular Communication
made by ~~Cong~~ Mr Madison to Congress - you
have ordered 30000 Copies printed. if you
can favour me with a copy I will be
much obliged - This a most ridiculous
Farce on the part of Sir Isaac Craig Lewis
excite irritation of which there is enough.

Col. Reed of the Senate called upon me
on Saturday evening - I had a long conver-
sation with him on Public Affairs, & altho
hear does not likely take immediate effect.
I think the opinion clear, that it would
result, as early as the U.S. were prepared for

for the event. I cannot conceive how
a Congress, elected by the independent
Germans of this Country, - as free & as noble
as the President, could yield their judgment
to a Secretary of the Treasury, in measures
which truly were the measures of the strong-
est reproach against the former Admini-
stration - I confess I cannot face men
I once opposed on these measures - I think
the Secretary of the Whiskey Club of Pennry.
called in the proposer of them, to me
paper blunder - Our state is certainly
out of tune - I must candidly believe
every independent Republican would
rejoice if Mr De Witt Clinton was brought
forward. On the report here of such
an affair being discussed at Washington
not a voice was heard in opposition
and real joy was manifested by most
In the times of Pompey Caesar &

Anthony, Rome was not more depressed
than our beloved Country - It appears
to me, the people are to be kept down
by instructions until they yield obedient
necks to Slavery. for the present tyranny
of the press, propagates every man, that
dare investigate the public measures, or
utter Calumnies - Some Orators
will deliver the Country - Is there no
man that loves as well as Veritas
must the Ancient Dominion, rule or
masters of seventeen powerful States.

No Country can prosper without
free Commerce - tis better to let the
Commercial men regulate their own
Lazards. - You have not Commerci-
al intelligence enough in Congress -

Throw all our Commerce open &
let the Treasury replenish & then hear -
making preparations in interest

I rest with great respect. Dear Sir
Your most Obedt. Wm C. C. G. D.

John Comings,

To The Honorable

FREE

Peire V. Cortlandt
city of
Washington

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