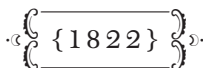


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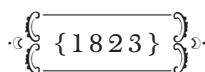
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## JEFFERSON CHRONOLOGY

1743 • 1826

- 1743 Born at Shadwell, 13 April (New Style).  
1760–1762 Studies at the College of William and Mary.  
1762–1767 Self-education and preparation for law.  
1769–1774 Albemarle delegate to House of Burgesses.  
1772 Marries Martha Wayles Skelton, 1 January.  
1775–1776 In Continental Congress.  
1776 Drafts Declaration of Independence.  
1776–1779 In Virginia House of Delegates.  
1779 Submits Bill for Establishing Religious Freedom.  
1779–1781 Governor of Virginia.  
1782 Martha Wayles Skelton Jefferson dies, 6 September.  
1783–1784 In Continental Congress.  
1784–1789 In France on commission to negotiate commercial treaties and then as minister plenipotentiary at Versailles.  
1790–1793 Secretary of State of the United States.  
1797–1801 Vice President of the United States.  
1801–1809 President of the United States.

## RETIREMENT

- 1809 Attends James Madison's inauguration, 4 March.  
Arrives at Monticello, 15 March.  
1810 Completes legal brief on New Orleans bature case, 31 July.  
1811 Bature case dismissed, 5 December.  
1812 Correspondence with John Adams resumed, 1 January.  
Bature pamphlet preface completed, 25 February; printed by 21 March.  
1814 Named a trustee of Albemarle Academy, 25 March.  
Resigns presidency of American Philosophical Society, 23 November.  
1815 Sells personal library to Congress.  
1816 Writes introduction and revises translation of Destutt de Tracy, *A Treatise on Political Economy* [1818].  
Named a visitor of Central College, 18 October.  
1817 Cornerstone laid for first structure at Central College (later Pavilion VII, University of Virginia), 6 October.  
1818 Attends Rockfish Gap conference to choose location of proposed University of Virginia, 1–4 August.  
Visits Warm Springs, 7–27 August.  
1819 University of Virginia chartered, 25 January; named to Board of Visitors, 13 February; elected rector, 29 March.  
Debts greatly increased by bankruptcy of Wilson Cary Nicholas.  
1820 Likens debate over slavery and Missouri statehood to "a fire bell in the night," 22 April.  
1821 Writes memoirs, 6 January–29 July.  
1823 Visits Poplar Forest for last time, 16–25 May.  
1824 Lafayette visits Monticello, 4–15 November.  
1825 University of Virginia opens, 7 March.  
1826 Writes will, 16–17 March.  
Last recorded letter, 25 June.  
Dies at Monticello, 4 July.

# THE PAPERS OF THOMAS JEFFERSON



From Caesar A. Rodney

HONORED REVERED & DEAR SIR,      Wilmington Sept<sup>r</sup> 16. 1822.

The infirm state of my health, since the two severe attacks of fevers, at Washington, last winter, has rendered exercise & relaxation, necessary to its restoration; and I had, in view, for some time, the prospect of visiting Monticello, or I should have returned an earlier answer to your acceptable favor of the 28. of July last. I need not add, what heartfelt pleasure it would have given me to have seen you once more, & to have taken by the hand the distinguished friend to whom I am so largely indebted; and to whom my dearest country owes so much.

I think decidedly with you, an impenetrable silence should be observed towards the impotent calumniators of your blameless character. Your triumph is complete. A second victory over a prostrate antagonist would indeed, be humiliating.

It is probable that I shall go to B. Ayres, with the approbation of the Senate; but when I may depart is uncertain. Your great & good name & character are well known in that country, & they will daily become more familiar, as it progresses in the enjoyment of civil & religious freedom. I dislike with you Emperors & Kings. On this side of the Atlantik they cannot flourish. The climate & the soil are equally unpropitious to them. I regret extremely that Iturbide has taken a course so impolitick, & so hostile to the first principles of all legitimate governments. His friends say he will relinquish, in due time, the title & the power. It may be so; but I apprehend he will attempt to establish a new dynasty. May I be mistaken.<sup>1</sup> Liberty will however triumph, in the end, & truth prevail.

With every sentiment of respect gratitude & affection,

Yours Most Sincerely & truly

C. A. RODNEY

RC (NNPM); endorsed by TJ as received 29 Sept. 1822 and so recorded in SJL. RC (MHi); address cover only; with Dft of TJ to Dodge & Oxnard, 9 Dec.

1824, on verso; addressed: "Thomas Jefferson formerly President of the U. States Monticello Virginia"; franked; postmarked Wilmington, 17 Sept.

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“A Native of Virginia” was the pseudonymous PROSTRATE ANTAGONIST.

<sup>1</sup>Omitted period at right margin editorially supplied.

## From Thomas Eston Randolph

DEAR SIR

Shadwell Mill, 18<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1822

Although I had some days since, a brief verbal communication with you on the subject of your letter of the 10<sup>th</sup> inst:—yet, as the noise of the Mill may have occasion'd an imperfect understanding of it, I deem it proper to offer my sentiments more fully, especially as there are some passages in your letter which I consider incorrect—With respect to repairs done to the Mill during the last Lease, it is only necessary to observe, that you paid only for such repairs as were unavoidable, in consequence of the total derangement of the running geer, occasion'd by the settling of the walls, and the consequent sinking of the floors of the Mill house—every other repair was done and paid for by the Tenants—From the same cause the upper water<sup>1</sup> wheel was destroyed, and that a question could arise, of—who is to repair it? never occurred to me until you suggested it, when I spoke to you at your house on the subject of renewing the Lease—I think it was the latter end of April, at which time I was not prepared to enter into a positive engagement—you requested that I would decide as soon as possible, because you said you had several applications—accordingly at May court I called on you and proposed—first, a reduction of Rent—which you refused—I then mention'd a new water wheel, the removal of the boulding chests, and repairs to the waste and Dam—to all of which you assented, and I particularly urged the importance of being ready for the new crop of wheat;—you express'd yourself confidently, that the mill would be ready in time, and that the Dam would be complete (if I mistake not) in all the month of August; and you made calculations shewing that result—and to insure it, M<sup>r</sup> Read was employed about the saw Mill, that it might be ready to saw the plank for the Dam—I am thus particular to shew, that my preferring to have the boulding geer done first, was no reason why both that and the water wheel were not completed in time; and when I saw how long the repairs had been delayed, nothing could be more natural than that I should wish to have the running geer in a state to enable me to set one pair of stones at work, whilst the workmen were going on with the 2<sup>nd</sup> water wheel—so far from asking a delay and imputing it to you, I beg leave to remind you, that after your return from Bedford, seeing no preparation for repairing the Mill, I called upon you, and

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express'd my anxiety on the occasion; it was about the middle of June before M<sup>r</sup> Read set to work at Shadwell Mill—altho' to prevent any delay on my part, I refused to receive wheat, and stopped grinding early in May—The alteration in the Boulting chests and gear, had it been properly executed, would undoubtedly have greatly improved the Mill, and accomodated me as your Tenant, but I agree with you it has left the Mill in a worse state than it was; which I very much lament, and which I feel in a pecuniary regard—permit me however to assure you, that I never conceived it possible, that you incurred liability by yielding to any requests which I may have made of you, nor am I conscious of making any unreasonable requests of you, but do conscientiously think, that the former untenantable condition of the Mill, and the general insufficiency of the Dam, have abundantly authorized all that I have asked—With regard to your employing M<sup>r</sup> Read entirely on my recommendation, I cannot consent that any defect in the repairs or alterations made by him, should therefore<sup>2</sup> be imputed to me; for I do assure you, that, far from recommending—I merely introduced him to you—he said he was acquainted with Jefferson Randolph, but for myself, I never saw him, until about half an hour before—I told you that he produced strong testimonials of his ability as a Miller, that he wished to engage with me in the Mill, and that I was disposed to give him a share of the business—I also told you that he would undertake to repair the Mill—of his talents however as a Millwright I was perfectly ignorant—My reasonable claim (as I conceive)<sup>3</sup> of a suspension of Rent, is founded first—because the Mill was not tenantable, that is to say—was not in condition in proper time<sup>4</sup> either to receive or grind wheat—and secondly the Dam, was, and is, insufficient to stop as much water as is necessary for one pair of Stones at the manufacturing Mill, altho' there was abundance passing through the Dam, for two such establishments—which I have reason to believe occasion'd a loss of some crops to the Mill, and a considerable loss in the sale of bread stuff and offal, which was in great demand—in support of this assertion, I can prove to you the payment in money of between 250 and 300 dollars for barrel Timber;  $\frac{2}{3}$ <sup>ds</sup> of which at least would have been paid out of the Mill—and that mony was carried to Campbell's and Macgruders to buy Bread stuff—The rent to be paid for Shadwell Mill, if it was in most complete order for business, is a very heavy one, that is admitted by the best judges, and I know it from experience—I think therefore that the plea which I have offer'd—fully justifies me in asking a deduction of rent; but as we differ in opinion—I cheerfully accede to your proposal to leave it to arbitration—and beg leave to suggest that it will be desirable to appoint an early day—

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The objections to the form of the Lease were—

1<sup>st</sup> That the notice of 6 months was unusually long and perhaps unnecessary—because the Tenant will always be as much interested in ascertaining a continuance of the Lease—as the Landlord—and if the Tenant has the privilege of declining a renewal of the Lease, the Landlord has the power of refusing to grant a renewal—

2<sup>ndly</sup> Leaving the running geer in the condition which I receive it— That condition would be very difficult to ascertain—the term, Ten-antable condition, is I believe usual, is well understood, and easily determined—

3<sup>d</sup> To the provision for securing the regular payment of Rent; I can have but one objection, to wit, that in the event of a long drought, I may find it utterly impossible to pay the Rent so soon as it is due— but if the Dam is made tenantable, according to my understanding of your agreement “kept in sufficient condition” I can feel no hesitation to secure to you certain and regular payment of Rent—

I beg you will understand that I do not mean by any thing herein contain’d, to excuse myself for former delinquencies, on the contrary, I feel under obligations for your patience, which should not have been put to such trial, if I could have commanded my funds—I will only add, that I hope the business of this establishment will be conducted hereafter more satisfactorily, both to you and myself—and am with assurance of perfect esteem, and affectionate regards—

yours

THO<sup>s</sup> ESTON RANDOLPH

RC (MHi); dateline at foot of text; addressed: “Thomas Jefferson Esq<sup>r</sup> M<sup>o</sup>Cello”; with penciled notation by Randolph on address leaf (torn at seal): “This should have been sent several days since with a Compass [ . . . ]. T.E.R.”; endorsed

by TJ as received 21 Sept. 1822 and so recorded in SJL.

<sup>1</sup>Word interlined in place of “Mill.”

<sup>2</sup>Word interlined.

<sup>3</sup>Parenthetical phrase interlined.

<sup>4</sup>Preceding three words interlined.

## Ennion Williams’s List of Achievements

### Ennion Williams’s Claims for Improvements

- 1— A semicircular Instrument— Radius— 12 Inches— Needle  
24 Inches—  
Telescope 11 Inches— with a  
Nonius attachd. }  
2. A Drafting Instrument— Semicircular— Radius. 7 Inches, with  
diagonals crossing Ten circles, showing tenths of the  
Degrees— also a Scale of equal Parts on the Diameter,

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and a Centre Pin conveniently seen and may be set readily on any Line or Point of a draft—of a Survey or others— The Course & distance shown at same time on the Instrum<sup>t</sup>—no dividers necessary—

- 3— A Sliding Meridian, to be used on an inclined Plane, to which his drafting Instrument may be set, and moved to any Part of the draft, and the Course & Distance seen—without the aid of dividers—
- 4— A Set of Tables, showing Interest at 5. 6. 7 & 8  $\text{℥}^t$  and Commis<sup>s</sup> from  $\frac{1}{4}$   $\text{℥}^t$  increasing by  $\frac{1}{4}$   $\text{℥}^t$  to 23  $\text{℥}^t$  Cent, on every sum from one dollar to 10.000 dollars—for 3 years, 11 mo<sup>s</sup> & 29 days, condensed on fifty Pages, and shown by Indentment on the exterior of the Leaves more expeditiously than an alphabet to a Ledger, would show the Names of the Accounts; because the order is regular and numerical—

Monticello 9<sup>th</sup> mo. 19<sup>th</sup> 1822—  
EW.

MS (MoSHi: TJC-BC); in Williams's hand; endorsed by TJ: "Williams Ennion. Monticello. Sep. 19. 22."

Ennion Williams (1752–1830), merchant, educator, and surveyor, was born near Philadelphia. He was a major in Samuel Miles's Pennsylvania Rifle Regiment, 1776–77. By 1783 Williams had relocated to Berks County, where he operated a general store and sold real estate. In 1810 he received a patent for a protractor, and from then until at least 1815 he taught at his own academy and at other schools in the vicinity of Philadelphia. His publication of *Ennion Williams's Highly Improved Commercial Tables, of Foreign Weights, Measures, and Coins, Reduced to the Standard of the United States, and of Interest and Commissions* (Philadelphia, 1823), led to a newspaper controversy with John Rowlett, who claimed that the work infringed on his own copyright. By 1823 Williams was living in Philadelphia and working as a surveyor and scrivener. When he died in that city, an obituary described him as the "late County Commissioner" (Hinshaw, *Quaker Genealogy*, 2:827; "The Williams Family," *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* 10 [1886]: 111; William Henry Egle, ed., "Journal of Major Ennion Williams, on His Journey

to the American Camp at Cambridge, in New England. 1775," *Pennsylvania Archives*, 2d ser. [1893], 15:5–20; Heitman, *Continental Army*, 594–5; Peale, *Papers*, 1:201; Philadelphia *Pennsylvania Packet or, the General Advertiser*, 24 June 1783; Philadelphia *Pennsylvania Journal, and the Weekly Advertiser*, 23 Aug. 1783; *List of Patents*, 78; Philadelphia *Poulson's American Daily Advertiser*, 14 July 1810, 1 Apr. 1811, 27 Mar. 1815; Washington *Daily National Intelligencer*, 7 May 1822; *Caution to Banks, Merchants, &c. and An Appeal to the Public whether certain pen-marked, half-formed, spurious interest tables, unjustly published by Ennion Williams, should be discountenanced and condemned as a private injury or a public wrong; being the details of a controversy between John Rowlett & Ennion Williams, Chiefly as it appeared in several Philadelphia Newspapers in the 11th and 12th Months, 1823* [Philadelphia, 1823]; Robert Desilver, *The Philadelphia Index, or Directory, for 1823* [Philadelphia, 1823]; Philadelphia *Mechanic's Free Press*, 13 Feb. 1830).

A NONIUS is "a device consisting of a series of concentric arcs engraved on a quadrant, used for the accurate measurement of angles, altitudes, and heights" (OED).



## Transactions with James Leitch

[*Leitch Daybook, p. 471, 20 Sept. 1822:*]

'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Orders				
	8 quarters Screw Auger		1/.	1	34	
	5 yds Coarse Red flannel		3/9.	3	13	4.47

[*p. 473, 27 Sept. 1822:*]

'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ E. Bacon				
	4. Large Gimblets		9 <sup>d</sup>			50

[*p. 474, 30 Sept. 1822:*]

'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order				
	4. Bottles Mustard		1/6	1		
	1. 1 Ga <sup>l</sup> Butter pot.		3/-.		50	1.50

[*p. 475, 1 Oct. 1822:*]

'53.	'76.	Thomas Jefferson	Dr to Cash			
		paid him			20	

[*p. 475, 1 Oct. 1822:*]

'76.	'53.	Cash D <sup>r</sup> to Tho <sup>s</sup> Jefferson				
		Recv <sup>d</sup> his draft on B. Peyton at s <sup>t</sup>			50	

[*p. 475, 2 Oct. 1822:*]

'76.	Thomas Jefferson	at Reqs <sup>t</sup>				
	2 Sack Bags		6/-			2.00

[*p. 476, 3 Oct. 1822:*]

'53.	'76.	Thomas Jefferson	D <sup>r</sup> to Cash			
		paid E. Bacon	⌘ Order		30	—

[*p. 476, 7 Oct. 1822:*]

'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order				
	89 lbs Barr Iron		6 <sup>d</sup>			7.42

[*p. 477, 7 Oct. 1822:*]

'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Jn <sup>o</sup> Hemings				
	2 quarters Screw Auger		9 <sup>d</sup>			25

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[p. 478, 9 Oct. 1822:]

*76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	18 lbs 10 <sup>d</sup> Cutt Brads		1/-.		3

[p. 479, 11 Oct. 1822:]

*76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ E. Bacon			
	1 Bed Cord		3/-.		50

[p. 486, 21 Oct. 1822:]

*76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Self			
	1 P <sup>r</sup> Patent silk Suspenders		7/6	1 25	
	1 Beaver Hat		\$8	8	9.25

[p. 486, 21 Oct. 1822:]

*76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	1 half Stock <sup>d</sup> Shot Gun for J. Randolph				20 —

[p. 487, 21 Oct. 1822:]

*76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	1 Patent Pad Lock.		7/6.		1.25.

[p. 487, 22 Oct. 1822:]

*76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ M <sup>rs</sup> Randolph			
	7 yds fine white flannel		4/3	4 96	
	6 " 4/4 Domestic		27¢.	1 62	
	6 " Red flannel		3/-.	3	9.58

[p. 489, 23 Oct. 1822:]

*76.	Thomas Jefferson	At Reqs <sup>t</sup> of M <sup>rs</sup> R			
	2 P <sup>r</sup> Small and Irons		12/-.	4	
	1 " Large " do		16/6	2 75	
	2 Baking Dishes		5/3.	1 75	
	4 10 Inch Dishes		3/9.	2 50	
	4. 12 " "		5/3	3 50	
	2. 14 " "		8/6	2 84	
	2 doz Twiflers 7/6 2 doz Breakfast Do		12/.	6 50	
	1 " Custard Cups		6/-.	1 —	
	1 Soup Tureen & Stand		27/-.	4 50	
	4 Pickle Leaves 2/6 2 Sallad Dishes		9/-.	4 67.	
	1 doz Cut Glass Tumblers		27/-.	4 50	
	2 " " " Wines		24/-.	8. —	

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		1½ " Jelly Glasses	21/.	5	25	
		1 m 1¼ Inch Sprigs	3/4½ <sup>d</sup>		56	
		1 " 1½ " "	3/9.		63	52.95
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[p. 491, 26 Oct. 1822:]						
	'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
		2 lbs Java Coffee	2/3.		75	
		2 P <sup>r</sup> Wool Cards	4/6	1	50	2.25
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[p. 499, 6 Nov. 1822:]						
	'76.	'92.	Mdse D <sup>r</sup> to Thomas Jefferson			
			For 1 P <sup>r</sup> Silk Suspenders Returned		1	25
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[p. 499, 6 Nov. 1822:]						
	'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Self			
		1 Ream Letter paper				6 —
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[p. 502, 9 Nov. 1822:]						
	'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
		11½ lbs Best loaf Sugar	1/6			2.93
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[p. 503, 11 Nov. 1822:]						
	'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Self			
		40 yds Blue plains	3/9.	25		
		12 doz Gilt Buttons	2/.	4	—	
		1 lb Blue Patent Thread	9/.	1	50	30.50
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[p. 505, 12 Nov. 1822:]						
	'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘. Order of M <sup>rs</sup> R.			
		10½ lbs Putty	1/—.			1.75
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[p. 510, 18 Nov. 1822:]						
	'76.	Thomas. Jefferson	⌘. Miss Cornelia <sup>1</sup>			
		1½ yds Black Lustring	6/9.	1	69	
		1 hank Black Silk	6 <sup>d</sup>		08	
		1 Shoe Knife	1/.		17.	
		6 Sheets Sand paper	4½ <sup>d</sup>		38	2.32
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[p. 515, 27 Nov. 1822:]						
	'76.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
		6⅔ Gallons whiskey	3/9.			4.—

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[p. 517, 2 Dec. 1822:]

	*76.	Thomas Jefferson    Ⓢ Order			
		10 lbs 12 <sup>d</sup> Cutt Nails	14 <sup>ct</sup>		1.40

[p. 521, 5 Dec. 1822:]

	*76.	Thomas Jefferson D <sup>r</sup> to Sundries    Ⓢ Order			
*54.		Cash p <sup>d</sup> your Order favour J. L. Thomas		19 50	
		Mdse. 1 P <sup>r</sup> Pinchers 3/9 1 Shoe Knife	1/.	79	
		" ½ doz Awl Blades	2/3.	19	
*188.		Bramham & Bibb for ½ doz Awl			
		Handles	3/9.	31	.98
				20 79	

[p. 522, 6 Dec. 1822:]

	*76.	Thomas Jefferson    Ⓢ Order			
		1 Large 6 Ga <sup>l</sup> Pot 18/. 1 Small Skillet	9/.	4 50	
		1 Wire Sifter	6/.	1	5.50

[p. 524, 9 Dec. 1822:]

	*76.	Thomas Jefferson    Ⓢ M <sup>rs</sup> Randolph			
		20 yds 4/4 Domestic	30 <sup>ct</sup>	6 —	
		1¾ " Olive Fearnought	10/6.	3 06	
		150 yds Ticklenburg	2/.	50 —	
		53 " 4/4 Domestic Linnen	1/6.	13 25	
		300 yds Oznaburgs	23 <sup>ct</sup>	69 00	
		20. 3½ point Blankets	14/3.	47 50	
		2. 3 " "	9/9.	3 25	
		26½ yds Waltham Domestic	1/6.	6 63	
		23½ " Common <sup>2</sup> do.	1/.	3 92	
		5 lbs Oznaburg Thread	7/6.	6 25	
		2 hanks. Silk	6 <sup>d</sup>	17	209.03

[p. 526, 10 Dec. 1822:]

*54.	*220.	Thomas Jefferson Dr to Cash			
		lent him    Ⓢ Order		25	

[p. 528, 12 Dec. 1822:]

	*220.	Thomas Jefferson    Ⓢ Order			
		2 lb. Oznaburg Thread	7/6	2 50	
		5 yds Brown Holland.	2/3.	1 88	4.38

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[p. 529, 13 Dec. 1822:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order				
	3. $\frac{1}{2}$ lb Bottles London Mustard		4/6.			2.25

[p. 532, 18 Dec. 1822:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	To Sundries ⌘ Order of				
	M <sup>rs</sup> R					
	Mdse 1 $\frac{5}{8}$ yd fine Pelese Cloth		\$4 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	31	
	" 1 hank Silk		6 <sup>d</sup>		08	
'203.	Jn <sup>o</sup> R. Jones for 7 yds Riband		9 <sup>d</sup>		88	7.39
				8	27	

[p. 535, 24 Dec. 1822:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order of M <sup>rs</sup> R.				
	4. 10/4 Damask Table Cloths. @ 9/- <sup>s</sup> p. yd.					15

[p. 536, 24 Dec. 1822:]

'54.	'220.	Thomas Jefferson	Dr to Cash			
			paid for Oysters		4	—

[p. 546, 17 Jan. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order				
	14 $\frac{1}{2}$ lbs English Blistered Steel		1/.	2	42	
	1 Rasp 4/6. 1 Crosscut saw file		2/.	1	08	
	1 Whip Saw file		1/6		25	3.75

[p. 552, 1 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order				
	5 quarters Screw Augers		1/.			84

[p. 553, 3 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	At Reqs <sup>t</sup> ⌘ Burrel				
	23 lbs Butter		20 <sup>ct</sup>			4.60

[p. 554, 5 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order				
	20 lbs Java Coffee		2/3			7.50

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[p. 555, 7 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	10 lbs Barr Lead		9 <sup>d</sup>	1	25
	8 Pr. Small Brass Hinges		1/.	1	34
	6 doz Small Screws		4 $\frac{1}{2}$ <sup>d</sup>	38	2.97

[p. 557, 10 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	10 yds. Forest Cloth		7/6	12	50
	12 Skeins Thread 3 <sup>ct</sup> 2/3 doz Gilt Buttons		3/.	70	
	2 doz Bone Buttons		1/.	34	13.54

[p. 557, 12 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	'56.	Cash Dr to Thomas Jefferson			
		Recv <sup>d</sup> of him		50	

[p. 557, 12 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ yds Brown Holland		2/6.	1	46
	5 $\frac{1}{4}$ lbs German Steel		1/6	1	31
					2.77

[p. 559, 15 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	203 lbs Barr Iron		6 <sup>d</sup>		16.92

[p. 561, 20 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	7 $\frac{1}{8}$ Gal Coniac Brandy		12/.		14.25

[p. 561, 21 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	2 Furr Hats		\$4		8

[p. 563, 22 Feb. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	1 Cutting Knife, Patent,		12/.	2	
	1 Pr Best Shoe Brushes		3/9.	63	2.63

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[p. 569, 5 Mar. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order of M <sup>rs</sup> R			
	3½ yds Bed-tick		4/6	2	63
	7 " fine Irish Linnen		4/6	5	25
	1 lb Copperass 9 <sup>d</sup> 1 P <sup>s</sup> Narrow Tape		9 <sup>d</sup>		25
	2 yds 6/4 Cotton Shirting		3/.	1	—
	1 P <sup>s</sup> Bobbin 1/. 1 Oz Nutmegs		3/.		67
	1 Pr Cut Glass Decanters		\$4	4	
	4 yds fine Brown Bombazette		4/.	2	67
	1 Hearth Broom 4/6 8 hanks Thread		3 <sup>ct</sup>		99
	1 Pr Shoe Brushes		4/6		75
	7 yds fine Dowlass ⌘ Order for Burrel		2/3	2	63
	3½ " " Irish Linnen		3/9.	2	18
					23.02

[p. 571, 10 Mar. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	16 lbs 10 <sup>d</sup> Wrought Nails		1/.		2.67.

[p. 575, 22 Mar. 1823:]

'206.	Jno: C Wells for Thomas Jeffersons draft on P. Gibson for (March 26 <sup>th</sup> 1820)			215	33.
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[p. 576, 25 Mar. 1823:]

'56.	'220.	Thomas Jefferson Dr to Cash lent him		20	
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[p. 577, 26 Mar. 1823:]

'72.	'220.	Thomas Jefferson Dr to Interest Acc <sup>t</sup> For In <sup>t</sup> on his acc <sup>t</sup> from 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug to 4 <sup>th</sup> Sept <sup>m</sup> The acc <sup>t</sup> Balanced by this entry		5	14
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[p. 577, 27 Mar. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	35 lbs 10 <sup>d</sup> Wrought Nails		1/.		5.84

[p. 578, 28 Mar. 1823:]

'56.	'220.	Thomas Jefferson Dr to Cash Paid Edmund Meeks ⌘ Order		15	
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[p. 579, 30 Mar. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	At Reqs <sup>t</sup>			
	1 $\frac{5}{6}$ doz	Cutt flint Jelly Glasses	\$8.	14	66
	1 lb	Lampblack $\text{⌘}$ Burrel	1/1 $\frac{1}{2}$		19
	1	Scrubbing brush	4/6		75
	1 Pr	Blue Cassimere Pantaloons & Trimings		7	
	2	Paterns Marseils Vesting	7/6	2	50
	3 yds	4/4 Domestic 1/6 1 doz Perl Buttons	1/6	1	
	4 hanks	Thread.	3 <sup>ct</sup>	12	26.22

[p. 579, 30 Mar. 1823:]

'220.	'92.	Merchandise Dr to Thomas Jefferson for 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz Jelly Glasses returned <sup>3</sup>	27/.	6	75
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[p. 580, 1 Apr. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	$\text{⌘}$ Self	6 <sup>d</sup>		25
	3 Skeins	Silk			

[p. 580, 2 Apr. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	$\text{⌘}$ Order			
	1 Keg	white Lead 36/. 1 Bottle S. Turpentine <sup>4</sup>	3/.		6.50

[p. 581, 4 Apr. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	$\text{⌘}$ Order			
	1 Sack	Salt			5.50

[p. 583, 7 Apr. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	$\text{⌘}$ Order	6 <sup>d</sup>	2	42
	29 lbs	Barr Iron			2.42

[p. 589, 18 Apr. 1823:]

'220.	'56.	Cash Dr to Thomas Jefferson received of him		35	
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[p. 593, 29 Apr. 1823:]

'220.	Thomas Jefferson	$\text{⌘}$ Order			
	$\frac{1}{2}$ doz +	Cutt Saw files	27/.	2	25
	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	Handsaw " "	12/.	1	3.25



[p. 595, 3 May 1823:]

220.	Thomas Jefferson	⌘ Order			
	1 $\frac{1}{6}$ doz Gilt Buttons		4/6		88
	$\frac{1}{2}$ yd Forest Cloth		7/6		63
	1 P <sup>s</sup> long Nankeen		10/6	1	75
	5 Skeins Silk 6 <sup>d</sup> 2 yds Domestic		1/.		75
	1 doz Bone Moulds		9 <sup>d</sup>		13
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The Leitch Daybook in ViU, Leitch's bookkeeping methods and frequently used abbreviations, and the methods by which the Editors present the above extracts detailing entries involving TJ are described above at 6 Mar. 1820 in an editorial note on Extracts from James Leitch's Daybook. The entry for 3 May 1823 is the last one mentioning TJ in the extant Daybook.

GIMBLETS: "gimlets." AT S<sup>r</sup>: "at sight." AND IRONS: "andirons." TWIFLERS: "A plate or shallow dish intermediate in size between a dessert plate and a dinner plate" (OED). PICKLE LEAVES: pickle dishes in the form of a leaf (OED).

MISS CORNELIA was Cornelia J. Randolph.

LUSTRING: "lutestring." SHOE KNIFE: shoemaker's knife (OED). FEARNAUGHT (fearnought): "A stout kind of woollen cloth, used chiefly on board ship in the form of outside clothing in the most in-

clement weather, also as a protective covering or lining for the outside door of a powder magazine, the portholes, etc." (OED). PELESE CLOTH (pelisse cloth): "a twilled woollen fabric, used to make pelisses" (OED).

BUREL: Burwell Colbert.

FOREST CLOTH is a woollen fabric (OED). BOMBAZETTE: "bombazine." DOW-LASS (dowlas): "a coarse kind of linen, much used in the 16th and 17th centuries" (OED). S. TURPENTINE: "spirit of turpentine." + CUTT SAW FILES: "crosscut-saw files."

A 26 Mar. 1823 letter from Leitch to TJ, not found, is recorded in SJJ as received from Charlottesville the following day.

<sup>1</sup>Manuscript: "Conelia."

<sup>2</sup>Manuscript: "Common."

<sup>3</sup>Manuscript: "retuned."

<sup>4</sup>Manuscript: "Turpentine."

## From George Hadfield

SIR

Washington Sep<sup>r</sup> 22, 1822.

I had the honor to receive your letter of the 10, instant, and am greatly indebted to you Sir, for your kindness in sending me the enclosed from my sister, and also for the one in Sep<sup>r</sup> last.

I avail myself of your kind offer and enclose a letter for Lodi: and am much obliged to you Sir, for the wish you express to inform my Sister that I am in good health and doing well: the former thanks to providence, I enjoy, as to the latter I cannot say much; there is here a stagnation in the building line, owing to the scarcity of money, that is very injurious both to Architects and mechanics, I have for two preceding seasons been occupied in the building of the City Hall, the south half of the general plan of which has been raised to its full height and covered with slate, and the west part of it, containing the offices

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of the Corporation, finished and occupied by that body since June last, the progress of this building is suspended for the present until fund[s] arising from the lottery or other sources, can be obtained. be pleased to accept my good wishes for a long continuance of your health and happiness.

GEO, HADFIELD

RC (DLC); edge chipped; at foot of text: "Mr Th, Jefferson"; endorsed by TJ as received 26 Sept. 1822 and so recorded in SJL. Enclosure not found.

For TJ's letter to Hadfield of SEP<sup>r</sup> LAST, see note to Maria Cosway to TJ, 15 July 1821.

Construction of Washington's CITY HALL began in 1820 but was not completed until 1849. Hadfield was the prin-

cipal architect of the structure after winning a contest sponsored by the city council. A portion of its plan may derive from a design by Robert Mills (*ANB*; National Capital Planning Commission, *Downtown Urban Renewal Area Landmarks, Washington D.C.* [1970], 21–2; George Hunsberger, "The Architectural Career of George Hadfield," *Records of the Columbia Historical Society* 51/52 [1951/52]: 63).

## From Constantine S. Rafinesque

RESPECTED SIR!

Lexington Ky—24<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1822

I beg leave to send you, by mail together with these lines 6 pamphlets cont<sup>g</sup> a Dozen Memoirs of mine published in Europe in French on Zoology and Botany, and forming the beginning of a long Series of similar Tracts which are Sent printing, forwarded or in preparation.—Such is the state as yet of Natural Sciences in our Country that I have reluctantly been compelled to send my labours thus far to be published, and only receive them again after a couple of years and travelling 10000. miles! The sequel will be sent to you when it reaches me.

Amongst my numerous botanical Discoveries this year in Kentucky, I have found a new, rare and valuable Tree, belonging to the genus Virgilia, but different from the Virg. lutea of the Mountains of Georgia. It is 30 to 40 feet high, with broad leaves, like ash-leaves, and it dies a beautiful yellow like the V. lutea & V. aurea. I call it Virgilia fragilis in vulgar language Yellow Locust, the country people had no name for it. It grows Scantly in the bottoms of the River Kentucky, and will grow well in Virginia. I send you therefore inclosed Several pods, which you may raise yourself or present to your Agricultural friends. It grows quick, has a fine foliage and bloom, but the branches are exceedingly brittle.

I have not heard as yet when the University of Virginia is to go in operation—Not having heard from you I suppose that my liberal offer was not accepted, and my endeavours to stimulate by my exertions the Study of my favourite Sciences will not Succeed. I wish that

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passive talents may not be preferred to ardent zeal and knowledge without hoping it.—Meantime I am on the point of endowing Transylvania University with all my past Collections amounting to about 30000 specimens of plants, animals & minerals, as soon as the Trustees will be able to enter into some needful arrangements on the Subject, in which case I shall not be able to renew my offer to the Univ<sup>y</sup> of Virg<sup>a</sup>]—when it might be convenient to accept it.

I Wish you health, prosperity, a long and happy life, Meantime remaining respectfully

Your obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

C. S. RAFINESQUE  
Prof<sup>r</sup> &c

RC (ViW: TC-JP); one word faint; endorsed by TJ as received 7 Oct. 1822 and so recorded in SJL. RC (DLC); address cover only; with FC of TJ to Henry A. S. Dearborn, 18 Dec. 1824, on verso; ad-

dressed: “Hon<sup>ble</sup> Thomas Jefferson Monticello near Charlottesville Virginia”; franked; postmarked Lexington, 24 Sept. Enclosures not found.

## To Thomas Eston Randolph

DEAR SIR

Monti[ce]ll[o] [Se]p. 24.<sup>1</sup> 22.

Under the idea that you thought of engaging a partner in the lease of the Mill I had suspended the proposing to sign the agreement between us. but understanding that the prospect of such an engagement is more uncertain, I now inclose you the paper which was prepared for the last lease, but omitted to be signed from mutual neglect or confidence; it is a copy of the articles with Shoemaker; except that it gives up the 30.D. rent for the Storehouse; and except also that it contains an article of re-entry on the rent being 6 months unpaid. to this you objected, and I was prepared to give it up, as it had not been a part of my agreement with Shoemaker. on your examination of this paper and finding it right, I will copy it as it should be for mutual signature.

It is proper for me here to mention that I had a suggestion that you would claim some suspension of the current rent. if there is any such idea, I pray you to state it, that we may settle it at once by arbitration, as I cannot imagine what is the ground of such a claim. and indeed, to avoid future differences of opinion I think it would be right to insert in the lease a provision that claims for the suspension of rent should hereafter be notified in writing; and to have no force but from the day of notification.<sup>2</sup> it seems fair that I should be put on my guard

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in such case and warned to remove the cause, if any existed. my wish is to have every thing so prearranged as to avoid dispute.

ever and affectionately yours

TH: JEFFERSON

PoC (MHi); on verso of reused address cover to TJ; dateline faint; at foot of text: "Tho<sup>s</sup> E. Randolph esq."; endorsed by TJ. Enclosure not found.

<sup>1</sup>Reworked from "21."

<sup>2</sup>Omitted period at right margin editorially supplied.

## To Thomas Eston Randolph

DEAR SIR

Monticello Sep. 24.<sup>1</sup> 22.

Your letter of the 18<sup>th</sup><sup>2</sup> recieved on the 21<sup>st</sup> shews that our recollections differ very considerably; but it proves also that we do not agree on the conditions of leasing the mill. I offer it on the terms expressed in the lease, according to my understanding of them, and according to the understanding and practice on them by all the tenants heretofore.

you will not consent to them but on a different understanding.<sup>3</sup> consequently we do not agree in our terms, and there the negotiation would naturally break off. but I presume it would be injurious to you at this season of the year, and with all your arrangements made for grinding the year out, to discontinue the lease suddenly and unexpectedly. I consent therefore to it's continuance another year (to the last day of June next) on the conditions as you understan[d] them, and making whatever suspension of rent you think right, without the trouble of an arbitration, which indeed becomes impracticable by our disagreement in facts. but at the end of the present grinding year, we must consider the lease at an end, and that I am free in the mean time to look out for another tenant, to take place then. in expectation that we should have agreed I have declined two or three offers on which there was not the least intimation that any of the conditions would be objected to. but should you, before I shall have committed myself by any other offer, become willing to accede to my terms (which I shall never change) I shall certainly give you a preference, being sincerely disposed to prefer your accomodation to that of any other person and to prove to you at all times my sincere affection and respect.

TH: JEFFERSON

P.S. should this proposition for the present year be accepted, I shall be glad to know immediately what suspension of the rent I am to give credit for.

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In a letter from mr Coffee he desires it to be mentioned to you that he has not forgot your painting.

PoC (MHi); on verso of reused address cover to TJ; mutilated at seal, with one word rewritten by TJ; at foot of first page: “Tho<sup>s</sup> E. Randolph esq.”; mistakenly endorsed by TJ as a letter of 1 Oct. 1822; while only one letter of 24 Sept. 1822 to Randolph is recorded in SJL, TJ’s revised

dateline is supported by date of receipt of William J. Coffee to TJ, 8 Sept. [1822].

<sup>1</sup>Preceding two words interlined in place of “Oct. 1.”

<sup>2</sup>TJ here canceled “ult.”

<sup>3</sup>Omitted period at right margin editorially supplied.

## From Thomas Eston Randolph

DEAR SIR

Shadwell Mill 24<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1822

I do not wish to trespass again on your patience, and therefore in replying to your favor of this morning I will only observe, that a difference of opinion on the subject of the lease of Shadwell Mill is provided for in your agreement with Jon<sup>a</sup> and Isaac Shoemaker; and to do away any difficulty occasion’d by our disagreement in facts, as mention’d by you, I am willing that the proof shall rest with me, for I think I can produce such corroborative evidence to support all that I have asserted, as will be satisfactory to you—With respect to the insufficiency of the Dam, I beg leave to quote the words of that agreement—“and that he will maintain the body of the Dam (except against public authority) and the pier head in sufficient condition”—on that clause principally, I rest my claim for a deduction of Rent—There are many difficulties to a discontinuance of the lease, so suddenly and unexpectedly; nevertheless, if a Tenant can be procured who will be agreeable to you, and who will take the lease subject to all my engagements, I will make no difficulty in yielding the premises—the advanced season of the year, the little progress made in grinding, and the present condition of the Dam, renders such event at least improbable—But to remove every impediment in my power, I will propose, that full Rent shall be calculated from the day that there is water enough to run both pair of Stones—and in the mean time, the amount of Rent shall be determined by the quantity of work performed, calculating at 45 barrels  $\text{℥}$  day for two pair of Stones—which is the smallest quantity we ever grind with a sufficient head of water—say 270 barrels  $\text{℥}$  week—The Mill wrights who have been at work here can prove that not one hour has been lost when we could grind, and we have some times ground to a disadvantage rather than be still—Permit me to assure you that I wish for no advantage, but to do equal justice to you and to

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myself—when your new Dam is finished, if made tight, every difficulty will be removed

With great respect, and affectionate regards

Yours

THO<sup>s</sup> ESTON RANDOLPH

RC (MHi); dateline at foot of text; endorsed by TJ as received 25 Sept. 1822 and so recorded in SJL.

## To Beriman B. Breedin

SIR

Monticello Sep. 25. 22.

Your letter of Aug. 19. was recieved on the 20<sup>th</sup> instant. I am sorry it is not in my power to inform you at what point of time our university may be opened. all our buildings are compleated except one, and when that will be done depends on the disposition of our state legislature to furnish the means. the general belief is that the last elections to that body have been favorable to the institution; and my own expectation is that we may open it, either at the close of the [e]nsuing<sup>1</sup> year, or within a year or two after that, according to the dispositions of the next or future legislatures. whenever it shall be opened we mean that it shall be under [Pro]fessors as eminent in their respective lines of science as can [b]e procured on either side of the Atlantic, and no endeavors will be spared to give a participation of it's benefits to students from our sister states equally with those of our own. Accept the assurance of my great respect.

TH: JEFFERSON

PoC (DLC); on verso of reused address cover of Bernard Peyton to TJ, 25 June 1821; torn at seal; at foot of text: "M<sup>r</sup> B. B. Breedin"; endorsed by TJ.

The building still to be COMPLETED at the University of Virginia was the Rotunda.

<sup>1</sup>Word faint.

## To Peter Derieux

DEAR SIR

Monticello Sep. 25.

Your favor of the 10<sup>th</sup> was not recieved till the 20<sup>th</sup> instant, and I regret that it is not in my power to send you the Egyptian wheat which is the subject of your letter. I recieved it while I lived in Washington, and having no means of taking care of such things there, I generally sent them to some one of my careful neighbors. I do not recollect to whom of them I sent this particular article, but I remember that the result was that it was not of advantageous culture in our

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climate & was therefore abandoned. with my regrets for this incident accept for mrs Derieux & yourself the assurance of my esteem & respect.

TH: JEFFERSON

PoC (DLC: TJ Papers, 222:39758); on verso of reused address cover of Hiram Haines to TJ, 25 June 1821; partially dated; at foot of text: "M<sup>r</sup> Derieux"; endorsed by TJ as a letter of 25 Sept. 1822 and so recorded in SJL.

In 1803 Derieux gave TJ WHEAT seed that he had acquired in France while delivering copies of documents related to

the Louisiana Purchase. TJ sent some of these seeds to Robert Bailey in Washington, D.C. After TJ reported to Derieux in 1805 that the seeds had failed, Derieux forwarded him additional grain seeds in that and the following year (*PTJ*, 40:413n, 41:345, 346, 486–7; TJ to Derieux, 31 May 1805, Derieux to TJ, 16 June 1805, 10 Apr. 1806 [all in DLC]).

## To Robert Mills

DEAR SIR

Monticello Sep. 25. 22.

Your favor of Aug. 8. has been duly recieved, and I thank you for the pamphlet inclosed on the subject of canals. the plan it proposes is great, and I sincerely wish it may be prosecuted with success. I hope these states will prove to the world how much more it will contribute to it's happiness to lay out the contributions of the people in opening canals for communication and irrigation, making good roads, erecting<sup>1</sup> public buildings for science and the arts E<sup>t</sup>c than in slaughtering men, burning their houses, and wasting their lands. I sincerely wish you may find constant employment in this system of improvement, and derive the due reward to your merits for the useful services you may render in improving your native state. accept the assurances of my great esteem and respect.

TH: JEFFERSON

RC (ICHi); at foot of text: "M<sup>r</sup> Mills."  
PoC (DLC); on verso of reused address cover to TJ; endorsed by TJ.

Mills's previous letter was of 28 Aug. 1822, not AUG. 8.

<sup>1</sup>Reworked from "creating."

## To Chiles Terrell

SIR

Monticello Sep. 25. 22.

I recieved on the 20<sup>th</sup> your letter of the 13<sup>th</sup> on the question what is an East and West line? which you say has been a subject of discussion in the newspapers. I presume however it must have been a mere question of definition, and that the parties have differed only in applying the same appellation to different things. the one defines an East

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and West line to be on a great circle of the earth, passing thro' the point of departure, it's nadir point and the center of the earth, it's plane rectangular to that of the meridian of departure. the other considers an E. & W. line to be on<sup>1</sup> a small<sup>2</sup> circle of the earth<sup>3</sup> passing thro' the point of departure, and preserving, in every part of it's course, it's rectangularity with the axis of the earth,<sup>4</sup> or,<sup>5</sup> a line which, from the point of departure passes every meridian at a right angle. each party therefore defining the line he means, may be permitted to call it an East & West, one, or at least it becomes no longer a mathematical, but a philological question of the meaning of the words East and West. the last is what was meant probably by the E. & W. line in the treaty of Ghent. the same has been the understanding in running the numerous E. and W. lines which divide our different states. they have been run by observations of Latitude at very short intervals, uniting the points of observation by short direct<sup>6</sup> lines and thus constituting in fact part of a polygon of very short sides.

But, Sir, I do not pretend to be an arbiter of these learned questions. age has weaned me from such speculations, & rendered me as incompetent as unwilling to puzzle myself with them. your claim on me as a quondam neighbor has induced me to hazard thus much, not indeed for the newspapers, a vehicle to which I am never willingly committed, but to prove my attention to your wishes, and to convey to you the assurance of my respect.

TH: JEFFERSON

RC (Vi: RG 57, Applications for Position of Principal Engineer); addressed: "Mr Chiles Terril Richmond"; franked; postmarked Charlottesville, 28 Sept. PoC (DLC).

When he applied unsuccessfully for the post of principal engineer of Virginia the following year, Terrell sent this letter to Bernard Peyton, who was secretary of the state Board of Public Works (Terrell to Peyton, 7 Apr. 1823 [Vi: RG 57, Applications for Position of Principal Engineer]).

<sup>1</sup>Word canceled in PoC.

<sup>2</sup>TJ canceled this word in PoC and interlined "line on the surface of the earth bounding a plane at right angles with it's axis; or a."

<sup>3</sup>TJ canceled preceding two words in PoC and interlined "latitude."

<sup>4</sup>Text from "and preserving" to this point canceled in PoC.

<sup>5</sup>In PoC TJ here interlined "in other words."

<sup>6</sup>Word interlined in place of "straight."

## To William J. Coffee

DEAR SIR

Monticello Sep. 26. 22.

Your favor of the 8<sup>th</sup> was recieved on the 20<sup>th</sup> and that to mr Brockenbrough was delivered and will doubtless be answered by himself. I understood from him that those who built the houses would claim the



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putting on the ornaments on their own work. my occupations here rendering it impossible for me to go to Bedford till December, you need run no yellow fever risks to hasten the shipment of mine.<sup>1</sup> if they are here by December it will suffice. let my package, if you please be separate from that to the University because Col<sup>o</sup> Peyton will have to forward it from Richmond direct to Lynchburg, and send me the cost which shall be remitted to you without delay. from mr Maverick I have heard nothing, but am in hopes to hear daily that the plate & prints are finished. they are to be sent viâ Richmond. when they are done I shall be glad if he will send me by mail a couple of copies with his bill which shall be promptly remitted. Accept the assurance of my great esteem & respect.

TH: JEFFERSON

RC (MiDbEI); at foot of text: "Mr Coffee." PoC (MHi); on verso of docket sheet for TJ's Deed of Trust of Milton Lands to Philip N. Nicholas and William Nekervis, 11 July 1821; endorsed by TJ.

<sup>1</sup>Reworked from "hasten their shipment."

## To Thomas Eston Randolph

DEAR SIR

Monticello Sep. 26. 22.

Yours of the 24<sup>th</sup> was recieved yesterday. the clause of arbitration in the lease was a sufficient provision between Shoemaker and my self because we understood every part of it in the same way. so it was with mr Randolph & M<sup>c</sup>Kinney. but you and myself differ so materially and in so many points that to enter into a contract with opposite meanings & to propose to go thro' it by arbitrations would be to keep up a constant process of altercation, fending & proving, and troubling neighbors to make a bargain for us, which could not be for the happiness of either. you do not agree to my terms nor I to yours. it only remains then to give you time to withdraw without loss. I suppose you can have made no contract for more than a year, and for that term I offer that the lease shall go on on your own terms. if you can propose any thing more reasonable I will consider it with every disposition to accomodate you, being sincerely desirous to do so. I repeat to you the assurances of my affectionate respect.

TH: JEFFERSON

PoC (MHi); on verso of reused address cover of otherwise unlocated letter from Thomas Sumter to TJ, 4 July 1821 (see note to TJ to Sumter, 23 July 1821); at foot of text: "Thomas E. Randolph esq."; endorsed by TJ.

## To Patrick Gibson

DEAR SIR

Monticello Sep. 27. 22

Your favor of the 14<sup>th</sup> is now recieved. the letter I wrote to the President, altho' it proposed to get your son entered as a midshipman, was in it's general terms such as to prepare the mind of the President for that or any equivalent favor, and to assure him of the gratification it would be to me: and I think it would be best for yourself or your son, in a letter to him referring to mine<sup>1</sup> to express a willingness to accept a place in the school at Westpoint, if that of midshipman cannot be obtained. I think it better not to write a second letter, lest being importunate might weaken the dispositions to comply with the first. accept my best wishes for success in the application and the assurance of my great esteem and respect.

TH: JEFFERSON

PoC (DLC); on verso of reused address cover of Bernard Peyton to TJ, 16 July 1821; at foot of text: "M<sup>r</sup> Gibson"; endorsed by TJ.

<sup>1</sup>Preceding three words interlined.

## To Bernard Peyton

DEAR SIR

Monticello Sep. 27. 22.

M<sup>r</sup> Raphael could furnish the 1000.D. by piecemeal only. he furnished to-day 300.D. requiring however a draught for it to go by tomorrow's mail, which I gave him and will consequently be upon you 2. or 3. days earlier than I had expected. he will furnish another sum 3. days hence, and the balance in the course of a week. my further draughts will be made accordingly. affect<sup>ly</sup> yours

TH: JEFFERSON

PoC (MHi); on verso of reused address cover of James Gibbon to TJ, 13 July 1821; at foot of text: "Col<sup>o</sup> Peyton"; endorsed by TJ.

## From Thomas Eston Randolph

DEAR SIR

Shadwell Mill 27<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1822

I certainly cannot withdraw from Shadwell Mill at the end of this year without loss, because I have paid considerable sums for repairs, and to render the place more comfortable, under the expectation of holding the premises five years—which would have been unnecessary, had I withdrawn last June—If however I can procure a Tenant who

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will be agreeable to you, and will release me from my engagements, it will give me pleasure, and I have written to Madison this day on that occasion—with respect to the allusion in your letter of yesterdays date, “that the clause of arbitration in the lease was a sufficient provision between Shoemaker, and M<sup>r</sup> Randolph & M<sup>c</sup>Kinney and yourself, because understood every part in the same way, but that you and myself differ so materially, and in so many points &c”—I must in justice to myself ask leave to state, that there is but one part of that agreement with Shoemaker (a copy of which is now before me) wherein we disagree, and that disagreement is occasion’d by the condition of the Dam, a subject which at so early a period as that when Shoemaker or even when Randolph & M<sup>c</sup>Kinney held the premises could hardly it may be presumed, have offer’d occasion for a difference of opinion—the bad condition of the Dam was known three years ago—and Colclaser possitively refused to work upon it, which Jefferson Randolph was informed of, and M<sup>r</sup> Bacon must recollect it—the latter can tell you that the logs or Sills in a part of the Dam which he repair’d, next to the Canal—were completely decayed, that decay was the cause of the leak in the Dam, and render’d it as I before stated insufficient for the purposes of the Mill—I cannot therefore Sir conceive that there is any thing so very unreasonable, in any proposition which I have express’d; nor that an arbitration could have been attended with any of the consequences apprehended by you—I sincerely hope I shall succeed in my endeavours to arrange this matter entirely to your satisfaction—and pray you to accept assurance of my respect and esteem

THO<sup>s</sup> ESTON RANDOLPH

RC (MHi); dateline at foot of text; endorsed by TJ as received 30 Sept. 1822 and so recorded in SJL.

A missing letter from TJ to Randolph of 4 Oct. 1822 is recorded in SJL. A letter from Randolph to TJ of 12 Oct. 1822, not found, is recorded in SJL as received the following day from Shadwell.

## From James Wilkinson

RESPECTED & DEAR FRIEND

City of Mexico Sep<sup>r</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> 1822

Should this letter reach your hands, it will be through the medium of his Excellency Don José Sosaya, Minister Plenipotenciary from this Empire to the United States.

This gentleman, a native Mexican of Castilian descent, is highly respected by his countrymen for his intelligence & amiable dispositions, & he enjoys the entire confidence & esteem of his majesty the Emperor; I know your Philantropy will incline you to receive with

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cordiality, the Representative of the youngest nation of the Earth, our near neighbour, adjunct in limits, united by nature & connected by obvious political interests

It is with lively satisfaction I am able to assure you, that M<sup>r</sup> Sosaya visits the United States, with prepossessions the most favourable to our Country & dispositions the most amicable<sup>1</sup> to our Government; I hope he may be met at Washington with correspondent Sympathies, & that a Sincere alliance may be formed by the two great North-American nations, as firm & durable as the high Hill on which you have fixed your abode, or the stupendous mountains, which encircle this Capital,

Several important events have succeeded my arrival here on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May last, which will probably reach you through the Mists of prejudice or ignorance; for our Countrymen, generally, who pressed forward to this region under the sordid impulse<sup>2</sup> of Commercial cupidity, have been disappointed in their Golden prospects, view every thing of course with jaundiced eyes, and cannot consent that an independent People should regulate their “own affairs in their own way.”

But I, whom you know & who came to this Salubrious place, solely in quest of health & to indulge an irresistible curiosity, have been an impartial & attentive observer of incidents as they passed, and can declare it as my opinion, that to Iturbide the Generalissimo on the 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> of May, & to the Emperor Augustin 1<sup>st</sup> on the 26<sup>th</sup> of the past month, the people of this Empire are indebted for their safety from Civil War, anarchy & blood-shed, transcending the most frightfull scenes in revolutionary France, during the reign of Robespierre, & before Bonaparte stifled the conflicting factions & stopt the effusion of blood.

To go into detail would exceed the compass of a letter, I shall therefore postpone a narrative of facts to some future occasion, when a respect for truth & Justice may induce me, to expose the misrepresentations which I anticipate in our licentious Gazettes, many of whose editors feed on slander & fatten on defamation

I thank God I have recovered my health, & in a few weeks shall return to the bosom of my family in New Orleans, there & every where I beg you to be assured of my high respect & Sincere attachment

J.W.

FC (TxU: Edward Alexander Parsons Collection); in a clerk's hand, with emendations, signature, and internal address in Wilkinson's hand; at foot of text: "Thomas Jefferson the distinguished Patriot of this Country & the Friend of Mankind Monticello Virginia"; endorsed by Wilkinson.

Not recorded in SJJL and probably never received by TJ.

José Manuel Zozaya (Sosaya) y Bermúdez (1775–1853), attorney and public official, was born in Guanajuato, studied at Mexico City's Colegio de San Pedro,

San Pablo y San Ildefonso, and entered the legal profession. Early in 1822 he was named the first envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary from Mexico to the United States. President James Monroe duly received him that December. Despite recognition by the United States of imperial Mexico and of Zozaya's diplomatic status, he struggled to gain acceptance among other diplomats and to place the newly established Mexican government on an equal footing in Washington. He returned to Mexico in 1823 after learning that the imperial government had been overthrown. Zozaya later represented Guanajuato in the national legislature and established the first paper factory in Mexico (Patricia Galeana and Gloria Villegas, *Dos Siglos de México* [2010], 57; Felix Ososres, *Noticias Bio-Bibliograficas de Alumnos Distinguidos del Colegio de San Pedro, San Pablo y San Ildefonso de Mexico* [1908], 317–8; Alberto Leduc, Luis Lara y Pardo and Carlos Roumagnac, *Diccionario de Geografía, Historia y Biografía Mexicanas* [1910], 1096; Joseph Carl McElhannon, "Relations between Imperial Mex-

ico and the United States, 1821–1823," in Thomas E. Cotner, ed., *Essays in Mexican History* [1958], 134–9; Washington *Daily National Intelligencer*, 13 Dec. 1822, 9 May 1823).

TJ used the phrase OWN AFFAIRS IN THEIR OWN WAY in his annual message to Congress of 15 Dec. 1802 (*PTJ*, 39:163). Agustín de ITURBIDE began his short-lived reign when he was declared emperor by members of the Mexican military on 18 May 1822 and took his oath of office three days later. After learning of a conspiracy within the national assembly to overthrow him, on THE 26<sup>TH</sup> Aug. 1822 Emperor Agustín had several members of that body arrested, and he dissolved the assembly on 30 Oct. but abdicated the following year (Brantz Mayer, *Mexico, Aztec, Spanish and Republican* [1853], 1:303–4; Washington *Daily National Intelligencer*, 8 July, 17 Oct. 1822).

<sup>1</sup>Reworked by Wilkinson from "amiable."

<sup>2</sup>Reworked by Wilkinson from "impetus."

## From Joseph Antrim

SIR

Sep<sup>r</sup> 29—1822

having been absent from home from fryday untill Saturday Night—  
Your message did not reach me in time for me to meet you as requested, at your mill as I understood, If you will name any other time I will with pleashure meet you

Yours Respectfully

J ANTRIM

RC (MHi); dateline at foot of text; addressed: "M<sup>r</sup> Jefferson"; endorsed by TJ as a letter from "Antrim P."

TJ's MESSAGE, not found, is not recorded in SJL.

## From James Cutbush

DEAR SIR.

West Point September 29th 1822

Finding that we laboured under many difficulties for want of a text book on military Pyrotechny, as works on that subject are principally<sup>1</sup> in French, I was induced from that consideration to compile a com-

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plete system for the use of our Chemical department, to be used in conjunction with the usual Chemical class books.

As to Chemical instruction, we have two classes; the first and second. To the latter general, experimental, theoretical, and practical chemistry, in a serie[s] of lectures, are given; and to the form[er], as it constitutes the last years course, the applications of chemistry to the Arts, manufactures, pyrotechny, &c. &c. are particularly attended to. Some of the last June graduates are, in that study, and in mineralogy very able, and I have no doubt will be eminently useful in the Army.

I am, very respectfully, Your Obed<sup>t</sup> S<sup>t</sup>

JA<sup>s</sup> CUTBUSH.

RC (CSmH: JF); torn at seal; addressed: "His Exc<sup>o</sup> Thomas Jefferson Monticello (near Milton) Virginia"; stamp canceled; franked; inconsistently postmarked West Point, 28 Sept.; endorsed by TJ as received 6 Oct. 1822 and so recorded in S JL. Enclosure: Cutbush, *Proposals, for publishing by subscription, A New Work, entitled A System of Pyrotechny*, a work in four parts on the components, "Instruments, Utensils, and Manipulations" of fireworks "for Exhibition—and Military Pyrotechny"; stating that it will be "put to press in the beginning of 1823, should the number of subscribers warrant the publication"; noting that it will run from 600 to 700 closely printed octavo pages and cost subscribers \$4.50 in boards or

\$5 bound; stipulating that subscriptions will be taken by Cutbush at West Point or Ward M. Gazlay at Newburgh, N.Y.; and concluding with a form for subscribers to add their name, place of residence, and number of copies (undated broadside in CSmH: JF).

Cutbush's TEXT BOOK was posthumously published as *A System of Pyrotechny, comprehending the theory and practice, with the application of chemistry; Designed for Exhibition and for War . . . adapted to the Military and Naval Officer, the Man of Science, and Artificer* (Philadelphia, 1825).

<sup>1</sup>Manuscript: "pincipally."

## From James F. Dana

SIR, Dartmouth College, Hanover N.H. [before 30] Sep<sup>t</sup> 1822.

I take the liberty of sending you the accompanying papers, because you manifest a deep interest in all that relates to Philosophy, and because it affords me an opportunity of testifying my profound respect for one, who will ever be remembered with the highest regard by the friends of Civil and Religious Liberty, and of the Rights of man.

That GOD may continue you yet many years, the ornament of your country is the sincere prayer, Venerable Patriot, of  
your obt. Ser<sup>t</sup>

J. F. DANA

RC (MHi); partially dated; at foot of text: "To Th: Jefferson"; endorsed by TJ as a letter from "Doct<sup>r</sup> James F." Dana received 30 Sep. 1822 and so recorded

in S JL. Enclosures: (1) Dana, *Observations and Experiments On a new means of producing heat and light with the apparatus called the 'American Water Burner'*

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([Cambridge, Mass., 1818]). (2) Dana, *Report on a Disease afflicting Neat Cattle, in Burton, N.H., read before the New Hampshire Medical Society. . . June, 1822* (Concord, N.H., 1822).

James Freeman Dana (1793–1827), scientist, physician, and educator, was born in Amherst, New Hampshire. Named Jonathan by his parents, he changed his first name in 1820. Dana attended Phillips Exeter Academy in 1805, received an undergraduate degree from Harvard University in 1813, traveled to England in 1815 to purchase chemistry equipment for the school, and was awarded its M.D. in 1817. He practiced medicine in Cambridge while also lecturing in chemistry at Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire, 1816–20. Dana was elected professor of chemistry at Dartmouth in the latter year, moved to Hanover, and remained there in that position until ap-

pointed professor of chemistry at New York City's College of Physicians and Surgeons (later part of Columbia University) in 1826. Dana was awarded the Boylston Prize by Harvard on two occasions for his scholarship in chemistry and was the author of several works, including *Outlines of the Mineralogy and Geology of Boston and Its Vicinity, with a Geological Map* (Boston, 1818), which he wrote with his brother, Samuel L. Dana. He died in New York City (DAB; *List of Persons whose Names Have Been Changed in Massachusetts. 1780–1883* [1885], 39; *General Catalogue of the Officers and Students of the Phillips Exeter Academy. 1783–1903* [1903], 16; *Harvard Catalogue*, 190, 713; *Dartmouth Catalogue*, 60, 770; Thomas, *Columbia University Officers and Alumni*, 34, 56; *New-York Medical and Physical Journal* 6 [1827]: 314–8).

## To Patrick Gibson

DEAR SIR

Monticello Sep. 30. 22.

I recieved yesterday the inclosed letter from the President removing further suspense as to the application for your son, and inclose it to you with sincere pleasure and the assurance of my great esteem and respect.

TH: JEFFERSON

PoC (DLC); on verso of reused address cover of William Maury to TJ, 18 July 1821; at foot of text: "M<sup>r</sup> Gibson"; endorsed by TJ.

dated, is recorded in SJL as received 29 Sept. 1822 from Washington. It presumably reported favorably on THE APPLICATION of Gibson's SON Alexander Gibson for a midshipman's appointment.

The INCLOSED LETTER from James Monroe to TJ, missing and evidently un-

## From Bernard Peyton

DEAR SIR,

Rich<sup>d</sup> 30 Sep<sup>t</sup> 1822

I am safely at home again thank God— Your note for \$1,000 will be offer<sup>d</sup> for dis<sup>t</sup> tomorrow, & whether done or no, any dfts you may draw shall be honor'd, I hope & believe however there will be no difficulty in getting the disc<sup>t</sup>, by assuring the Directors no renewal of the note will be asked or expected, which you authorised me to do—

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