

**Thomas Jefferson to William Short, January 31,
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Dear Sir

Yours of the 27th was recieved last night. Those of Nov. 25 & Dec. 29 had been recieved in due time. The pressure of business had prevented my acknoleging them. I shall be happy to see you here, and repeat my hope of your taking your daily soup with us when not otherwise engaged. I have just recieved information that Russia has interdicted to her subjects all intercourse with England, has sent off the British ambassador & recalled her own from London. Mr. Canning's letter on that subject to the Ld. Mayor will be in tomorrow's paper. Our affairs in Europe are totally at a stand: what effect will be produced on them here remains to be seen. In the hope of seeing you here shortly I salute you with constant affection & respect. Th Jefferson

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