

**Thomas Jefferson to James Madison, July 27, 1791,  
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**TO JAMES MADISON J. MSS.**

Philadelphia July 27. 1791.

My dear Sir, —I inclose you the pamphlet desired in your's of July 24. Also the one on weights & measures received through you, of which having another copy, be pleased to keep it. In turning over some papers I came across my journal through France, & Italy, and fancied you might be willing to acquire of that country a knowledge at second hand which you refuse to acquire at the first. It is written in the way you seemed to approve on our journey. I gave E. P.'s letter to Mr. Lear. I write to Mazzei by a vessel which sails on Monday, so shall hope to hear from you by that time. No body could know of T. C's<sup>1</sup> application but himself, H., you &

1 Tenth Coxe, for Controller, the office made vacant by the death of Eveleigh.

myself. Which of the four was most likely to give it out at all, & especially in such a form? Which of the four would feel an inclination to excite an opinion that you & myself were hostile to everything not Southern?—The President is much better. An incision has been made, & a kind suppuration is brought on. If Colo. Lee be with you present my respects to him. Adieu.

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P. S. Dispatches from Genl Scott confirm the newspaper accts of his success, except that he was not wounded.