

Dear Sir

Philadelphia Nov. 21, 1775

After sealing my last letter to you we rec'd an account at the capture of St. John's which I wrote on the letter. what I there gave you was a ___ account of that matter. we consider this as having determined the fate of Canada. A committee of Congress is gone to improve circumstances so as to bring the Canadians into our Union. we have accounts of Arnold as late as October 13. All will ___ in fine spirits. we cannot help (losing?) him in possession of Quebec as we know Carleton to be absent in the neighborhood of Montreal. our armed vessels to the Northward have taken some of the ships coming with provisions from Ireland to Boston. by the intercepted letters we have a confirmation that they will have an army of four or five and twenty thousand there by the spring. but they will be raw tongues. 3000 are lately arrived there. I have written to Patty a proposition to keep yourselves at a distance from the alarms of L^d Dunmore. to her therefore for want of time I must refer you and shall hope to meet you as proposed. I am D^r Sir with my best affections to Mrs. Eppes.

Your friend &Gent.

TH Jefferson

My Dear Maria

Washington Apr 25, 1803

A promise made to a friend some years ago but executed only lately has placed my religious creed on paper. I have thought it just that my family, by possessing this, should be enabled to estimate the libels published against me on this, as on every other possible subject. I have written to Philadelphia for Dr. Priestley's history of the corruptions of Christianity, which I will send you, and recommend to an attentive perusal (?), because it establishes the ground work of my view of this subject.

In a letter from Mr. Eppes dated at the Hundred Apr 14 he informed me Francis had got well through his measles, but he does not say what your movements are to be. my chief anxiety is that you should be back at Monticello by the end of June. I shall advise Martha to get back here by the middle of July, because the sickly season really commences here by that time, altho the members of the government venture to remain till the last week of that month. Mr & Mrs. P. Carr staid with me 5. or 6. days on their way to Baltimore. I think they propose to return in June. Nelly Carr continues in ill health. I believe they expect about the same time to get back to Dunlora. I wrote to Mr. Eppes yesterday. be assured of my most affectionate and tender love to yourself and kiss Francis for me. my cordial salutations to the family of Eppington when you see them. Adieu.

TH Jefferson

Mrs. Eppes