

Dear Father

I immediately on receiving your letter I sent
my servant back to Monticello for the ^{letter} of the agreement
between you & Mr Jefferson, which I had left out thinking I sh^d
want it. The journey cannot be performed in less than 4 days
at the expiration of that time it shall be returned to you. I sh^d
rejoice with pleasure if your ^{letter} had convinced
me that she had not one of your friends. There are
few men I believe who would have supposed that
consideration of a private advantage would have
induced her to part with me at such a beautiful
house & duty as the ^{one} I have just received.

Your affectionate son
Thomas Jefferson

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to J. M. N-h Sen.
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Mr Tho. M. Randolph

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you. I should rejoice with pleasure, if your letter did not convince me that it had cost me your
friendship. There are few men I believe who would have so great that the consideration of a pitiful
advantage in a bargain would have impelled me to such a breach of honor & duty as the compulsion(?)
you feared.

your son
Tho. M. Randolph