Dear Sir,

I am going up to Richmond tomorrow with my children to be inoculated. I shall take lodgings somewhere and stay with them myself till they are safe through as my Grandpa cannot be with them on account of the age of the youngest being just about teething. If Mr. Watkins & yourself will trust some of your little ones that are just about the right age which is any when above four I will engage to take the same care in every respect as of any one I do doubt will then safe through. This is the very best season of the year for them to take it.

I have just heard from Mr. Jefferson.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

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2 Dollars 13 Cents, at Alexandria in June 1. 67.
At Fredericksburg 1. 16. the Merchants of Philadelphia
at Baltimore think, wheat & flour will keep at their
present prices the present season notwithstanding
the threatening aspect of affairs with France.

I don’t know what occasion the gradual fall
as you come South but I am certainly the الأكثر
which occasion the high price to the Northward by
rendering money easy to be had & of course encouraging
facilitating speculation.

If you send any of your children down they had better
stop in some safe place somewhere about Winchester
till their conductor can see in to give me notice upon
which I will carry out a Physic & inoculate them
before I bring them in.

Yours ever friend.

J.Watkins Jr.

J.M. Randolph