

Albany October 23^d 1806-

My dear Sir,

I wrote to you from Newyork after having had several Interviews with Mr Broome, to acquaint you, that he was obliged to return to London on Business & expects to be back in Philadelphia next June, & has promised then to visit the Fall of St Anthony with Rufus Carver Esq^r yourself & me in great Style, provided, the Heirs have compleatly signed said Paper of Conditions which you carried with you, so as my Son & all Parties can finish the Contract; and provided also, William Hull, Gov^r of Michigan Territory & the Superintendant of Indian Affairs in that Part of the Country where Captⁿ Carvers Claim lies. Shall have given a proper Passport to Rufus Carver & company - which his Lawyers tell him Gov^r Hull cannot, or well not give, notwithstanding what Gen^l Dearborne told you & me at Washington. I have written to Gov^r Hull the whole State of the Case & referred him to Mr Justice Woodward for further Information & Confirmation of my Story & requested Mr Hull to send the Passport to me at York Town in upper Canada, to the Care of William Jarvis Esq^r Secretary of His Majesty's Province of upper Canada, and also, to send a Letter addressed to me at Newyork, to the Care of William B. Peters Esq^r at Newyork - which my Son will open & communicate its contents to you, whether he has sent, or will send, or give a Passport to Rufus Carver & Co. to go & obtain a Confirmation of the Deed given to Captⁿ Jonathan Carver, Dec^r, by two Chiefs of the Nondowissie ~~the~~ Tribes. on May 1st 1767 - at the "Great Lake". Should Mr Hull refuse a Passport he will assign his Reason for Refusing, & then it may be Necessary for you to write to General Dearborne, or Mr Jefferson for a Passport, which they cannot refuse with any Decency. you & all know we cannot go without a Passport - in the Sense of Law: and the ill Temper of the Spaniard now reigning, will render it dangerous to go at this Time with the President's Passport -

I have been lame for four Weeks Since my return
from Connecticut by means of the Gnats & Musquitos
biting my Legs - I was like Mephiboseth the Grandson
of Saul the first King & greatest Curse that befel the Jews
for their Rebellion against theocracy; & adopting what
is called now Democracy - i.e. the Government of all or
money. Israel, we read, was wretched in the time when
she had no King, because every man & Woman did what
was right in their opinion - that is, they were not
governed by any fixed Law - or Laws - except Private
opinions - This was the Case of Germany, England,
Switzerland, Holland & America & all Protestants - now
behold & see the End of Luther & Henry & the Reform
from Roman Laws to private opinions - or Liberty.
Memphis Swallow up the Jews & Bonaparte and
Paris shall Swallow up all Tongues & Nations -
I have not heard who is elected Governor of Vermont
nor who were voted for in your District in Lieu of
Judge Olin - If you had not a Good Share of Votes
my Friends & Yours have been Negligent, or not
Sincere in their Promises - many Prophecy that
Senator Israel Smith is elected your Gov^r & that Gov^r
~~Chittenden~~ is dropped for the Sin of Federalism - a
System the 17 States must soon adopt, or obey France
& Spain - The Day is lowering & dark Clouds hang
over America, while the Light of Bonaparte
illuminates & Governs all Europe - Helah!
I am now on my Way to Rome, thence by Water
down the Woodcreek & the Onondaga Lake to Oswego;
thence in a Ship over Lake Ontario to Yorktown,
where my Daughter Hannah Deloenna Jarvis
lives with six Children - I shall provide Indian Interpreters, & Boats to go
with us from Lake Simcoe to Mississinickin
thence to Michigan Lake, thence up Green Bay,
which runs West to the Mississippi River, thence
up 200 miles to Lake Pepin -
I shall write to you as soon as I hear from Mr Hull
& have discovered any thing worth the Postage -
I shall expect to hear from you while I reside
in Canada, so will my Son - at New York
I hope Mr Lops, Mr Rufus Coxter & all the Heirs
& Connections are well & happy - I have
not written yet to Mrs Pope at Dover, England -
I shall not, until I know the Result of the Postport
& the Decision of Congress on the Claim

Mr Scott is on his Way to Boston, thence he will go
to Vermont & call on you, to find out what has been
discovered by you & your Friends respecting the Wages
of Gen. J. A. — Mr. Broome is doing great things,
& will succeed, unless Bonaparte prevents him
by starving poor old England, who owes £800,000,000
and cannot pay £500,000,000 of it — let all bless
William Pitt for all these things —
Bonaparte, or bbb — is soon to be crowned Emperor
of Germany in Room of Francis lately resigned —
Russia, Prussia & France are soon to take Posses-
sion of Constantinople, Egypt & the Red Sea —
Dee! the consequence! East Indies are to be
lost to England; tho' my Friend Simcoe is there —
commander in Chief — in Lieu of Cornwallis.
Mr Ryckman has sailed for Madaira, Guinea &
River de la Plata — all in New York were well
& those who know you sent respects to you,
& wonder you have not published your Poems.
your Letter I expected to receive at this Post Office is
The Season & want of Health, stops my Journey to upper Canada
24th October 1806 —

When Mr Scott calls on you, the Papers, Deed &c, &c which
you laid before the Committee can be sent to my Son, which
we intend to have printed with Dr Lettsons Affirmation &
Dr Peters's Testimony — the Deed will be printed as a Copy of
the Deed laid before Congress — to be carried & laid before the
Sachems — The Season being late, & I having ill Health
I apprehend I must return to New York — I write to Mr Jarvis
in upper Canada, to do all things, that I have heard of
Health & respects to you all — my Health is yet bad, but I am
Samuel Harrison Esq^r } & your Fidel Cousin. Samuel Peters

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By  Samuel Harrison Esq^r,

Chittenden, County of
Rutland, Vermont..

*Recd. in June. 1804 my father rec'd it in Nov 1806
but I was gone to Maine at the time.*



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