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by a vessel arrived here from France, Congress  
have received from our minister there, a copy of  
the commission to the minister Plenipotentiary from  
the British Court, to treat with them on terms of  
peace, sundry letters accompanying said copy the  
contents of which I am not at liberty to communicate.  
I flatter myself that peace is at no great distance,  
but however flattering affairs appear, the negotiations  
may break off without a peace.

No certain account that the enemy have left  
Charleston, but expect it every day.

By many circumstances there is reason also  
to think that New York will <sup>be</sup> evacuated  
by them within a short time.

~~Nothing further done on the affair of currency.~~

No final determination with respect to  
Continental bills now in the hands of individuals,  
or in any State Treasury, more than their Annots,  
although much time has been spent on the subject,  
the affair is to be taken up again next Tuesday.

A resolve has passed that the Prize, in the  
fourth class of the Cont<sup>d</sup> Lottery be paid in  
Certificates at the rate of one Dollar for forty.

I remain your Obedient Servant,

C. White

If the Secretary of Foreign Affairs is directed to send  
~~a copy of the above said copy of the British~~  
ministers Com<sup>rs</sup>, to each of the united States



*Letter from P. White.  
Dec. 25, 1782.*

*in Dr. White's 25 Dec 1782*