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Friday 3rd P.M. 17th March 1780

Sir

I have only time to observe
that Congress have this morning received the
following information, and may probably
be depended upon as to substance - viz -

M^r Temple is coming out with the

following propositions to Congress. G. B.

to acknowledge the independence of all the States

except S^c Carolina & Georgia, and that part

of Mass^a Bay called the Province of Maine

this together with S^c Carolina & Georgia to be

given to G. Britain - M^r Temple to be

allowed to draw for whatever sums of money

he pleases - The following propositions were

offered by the B. King & rejected by M^r Temple

viz the United States to join their Arms with

G. Britain v^s Spain - if this cannot be

How President N^o 1st Hand

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"obtained — The said States not to assist
"Spain against Portugal — if this should
"be rejected then to make the best terms
"on this head the case —

"This intelligence comes from Holland
"to a gentleman of high rank
"in this City by a letter dated 29
"Dec^r 79" — The post waiting

I have the honor
to be with great
Ofters your most
Obed^t & very humble

Yours &c
Kathleen

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the result of the investigation. I have, however, no objection to your making such use of the facts as you may think proper. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, &c.
 Wm. A. R.

17 March 1788
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