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Dear Sir

Some few Days since I gave Daniel Knicker
Esqr a pass for New Hampshire I had some Suspicion
arising from the manner of his Leaving the State
& returning ~~as~~ also from the Account he gave of
the friendly Dispositions of those persons who are
refugees with the enemy particularly Samuel Stah
& George Boyd Esqs the latter he insinuated was a
great friend to his Country some which I find
by an English paper that he is carrying a Company
of us at his own expense which he is so common
in persons. I thought best however to let him pass
into the State where a better Inquiry into his
conduct may be had. I only write this ^{that} my giving
the pass may have no operations & to prevent
conjecture that he underwent a proper examination
& gave full Satisfaction in this Quarter

I congratulate you upon the agreeable Intelligence
received from France & have the Honor to be
with the Highest Esteem your Honors most

Hon^{ble} Messrs Wm Esqr

Obt^d Serv^t

J^o Sullivan

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*Genl. Sullivan's letter
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