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**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

Thomas Jefferson was born April 13, 1743, at Shadwell, on the western edge of settlement in the colony of Virginia, an area that later became Albemarle County. He was the first son born to Peter Jefferson, a pioneer farmer and surveyor, and Jane Randolph, a member of one of the Virginia colony's wealthiest, most influential, and well-established families. Peter Jefferson died in 1757, leaving land holdings of about 7500 acres, a widow, and eight children.

At the age of 17, Jefferson entered the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, furthering the education he had commenced at the age of five with a tutor employed by his father. As a boy Jefferson also attended formal schools taught by clergymen in the region, where he learned Greek and Roman, among other subjects. Jefferson's eagerness to attend college was shared by the executors of his father's estate, who also acted as his guardians. Jefferson began at William and Mary in the spring of 1760, and was introduced to the world of the Enlightenment. He would thereafter be a devoted disciple of the Age of Reason. Jefferson regarded his education at William and Mary as one of the major transforming experiences of his life. Of his work with Dr. William Small, professor of mathematics and moral philosophy, Jefferson said, "It was my great good fortune, and what probably fixed the destinies of my life." It was also Small who introduced Jefferson to George Wythe, who became Jefferson's mentor in the law. Jefferson completed his college study in two years. He then read law with George Wythe for five years, and was admitted to the bar in 1767. Jefferson's promising legal practice was interrupted by the American Revolution, and he never resumed the profession.

Jefferson's political career began in 1769 when he was elected to Virginia's House of Burgesses. During the next seven years Jefferson served as a legislator and became a leader in the movement for American independence. As Jefferson responded to actions by the British parliament that increased economic and political pressure on the colonists of Virginia, he based his opposition on a belief in the philosophy of natural rights. He denied the authority of parliament and cautioned George III that he was "no more than the chief officer of the people, appointed by the laws, and circumscribed with definite powers. . . ." He urged George III to "no longer persevere in sacrificing the rights of one part of the empire to the inordinate desires of another."

In 1772 Jefferson married Martha Wayles Skelton, a 23-year-old widow whose father, John Wayles, had accumulated a large fortune to which Martha was the principal heir. Jefferson and Martha made their home at Monticello, a Palladian villa Jefferson built near Shadwell. In September 1772 the young couple had the first of their six children, a daughter named Martha. Only two of their children survived to adulthood. John Wayles died in 1773, leaving his daughter an estate of over 11,000 acres and 135 slaves. The debts to English merchants that accompanied the Wayles estate plagued Jefferson for the rest of his life.

Jefferson's reputation for protesting Britain's colonial taxation policies put him in league with Patrick Henry and Richard Henry Lee in the Virginia Assembly. Jefferson drafted many resolutions calling for the repeal of taxes and the lifting of restrictions on American trade and manufacturing. In *A Summary View of the Rights of British America* (1774), his first published work, Jefferson reached the radical conclusion that Americans possessed the natural right to govern themselves.

In June 1775 Jefferson assumed a seat in the Second Continental Congress at Philadelphia. Two days after his arrival he wrote what became the "Declaration of the Causes and Necessity of Taking Up Arms." The following year Jefferson was appointed to a committee to draft a declaration to announce and justify the cause of American independence. After much debate and considerable alteration, Jefferson's Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Congress on July 4, 1776.

Jefferson returned to Virginia in the fall of 1776 and entered the newly constituted House of Delegates, intent on reforming the old order in the commonwealth. In 1778 he wrote a Bill for the More General Diffusion of Knowledge, which outlined a complete plan of public education from elementary schools through to a state university. The bill was defeated, its opponents calling the plan "impractical" and even "godless."

In 1779 Jefferson was elected governor of Virginia, succeeding Patrick Henry. Jefferson's term of office took place during one of the darkest times of the war and the period in which Virginia was most directly threatened by British military conquest. Benedict Arnold's army invaded Virginia in January 1781. Later General Charles Cornwallis marched his troops into Virginia, chasing the governor and the government from Richmond to Charlottesville, near Jefferson's home. By June 1781, after his term of office had expired but before a successor could be elected, Jefferson was chased from

Monticello. Following this, Jefferson resolved to quit politics and retire from the public stage.

On September 6, 1782, Martha Jefferson died after never regaining her health following the birth of the couple's daughter, Lucy Elizabeth, the previous May. Jefferson grew despondent. His friends rallied to pull him out of his depression and in early June 1783 the Virginia Assembly elected him a delegate to the Continental Congress that was to begin in November.

Six months after Jefferson began his term, the Congress appointed him to a commission to negotiate treaties of commerce with European states. The commission, which met in Paris, also included John Adams and Benjamin Franklin. In early 1785 Congress accepted Franklin's resignation as minister to France and elected Jefferson to succeed him. The four years Jefferson spent in France were some of the happiest of his life. He was captivated by the infinitely varied pleasures of the mind and spirit he found in France. He indulged his appetite for art, music, and theater, and developed deep admiration for ingenious inventions, architecture, and cuisine. These feelings, however, were offset by the luxury, debauchery, ignorance, and oppression he witnessed during his tenure as minister to France. Jefferson proved a friend to the French Revolution of 1789, seeing it as an extension of the American Revolution. He advocated liberal reform of the Bourbon monarchy including the establishment of representative assemblies and guarantees of individual liberties. Jefferson returned to the United States on leave in the fall of 1789, expecting to return to Paris. President George Washington, however, prevailed upon Jefferson to become secretary of state in the new government under the Constitution. Jefferson agreed, and took up his new duties in New York, the temporary capital, in March 1790. As secretary of state over the next four years Jefferson endeavored to regularize relations with Britain, strengthen the alliance with France in order to expand American commerce, end European colonialism in the West, and work toward American neutrality in any current or future European war to advance American national interests.

Upon leaving office at the end of 1793 Jefferson returned to Virginia and farming. He began rebuilding Monticello, a project that would continue for the next 15 years. The pastoral life eluded Jefferson when, in 1796, he assented to the request of Republicans to run as their candidate for president against John Adams. Jefferson lost the election in a close contest and, according to the rule of the day, became vice president. Serious contention between Federalists, who controlled all branches of the national government, and Republicans led to the enactment of the Alien and Sedition Laws, which Jefferson was convinced were a thinly veiled attempt by the Federalists to destroy the Republican party.

In 1800 Jefferson was elected president over Adams, and became the first president inaugurated in Washington. His inaugural address appealed for national unity after a divisive election. Jefferson reminded those who heard him that "this sacred principle that though the will of the majority is in all cases to prevail, that will, to be rightful, must be reasonable, that the minority possess their equal rights, which equal laws must protect,

and to violate would be oppression.” Jefferson, averse to dissension and confrontation, sought to influence those who opposed Republicanism by appeasement, and by subtle persuasion.

In foreign affairs Jefferson faced a crisis during his first term as president when American peace and prosperity were threatened by Spain’s retrocession of Louisiana, including the port of New Orleans, to France. Jefferson did not succumb to pressure from Federalists for military action against France and Spain. Instead he devised a plan whereby the United States would attempt to buy New Orleans and West Florida by offering Napoleon enough money to tempt him before he took possession of Louisiana. On May 2, 1803, French ministers and American ambassadors signed a treaty for the purchase of the entire Louisiana Territory for a total price of \$15 million. The Louisiana Purchase more than doubled the size of the United States.

Prior to the Louisiana Purchase in January 1803, Jefferson had asked Congress for an appropriation of \$2500 to fund a small expedition to explore the Missouri River to its source and search for a river flowing to the Pacific within portage of the Missouri. To command the expedition Jefferson chose Meriwether Lewis, his private secretary and fellow Virginian. Lewis in turn asked William Clark to join him as co-leader and the two made the journey together.

The widespread public approval of the transfer of Louisiana to the United States was made manifest in Jefferson’s re-election to the presidency in 1804. The total electoral vote was 162 for Jefferson to 14 for Charles Cotesworth Pinckney, the Federalist candidate. Despite this decisive victory Jefferson’s second term proved to be an ordeal.

While the Burr conspiracy with its threat of revolution in the West posed an internal threat, war between France and Great Britain left the United States the unsavory challenge of remaining neutral for the sake of maintaining trade with the belligerent nations. Neutrality proved untenable when Britain impressed thousands of American seamen into its service, and plundered American ships in American waters. In response, Congress, on Jefferson’s recommendation, enacted an embargo of American commerce and navigation from the oceans. The embargo, an attempt at peaceable coercion, had noticeable affect abroad, but produced more compelling privations and discontents at home. In the waning days of Jefferson’s administration the embargo was repealed. Three years later the United States was drawn into war with Great Britain.

Jefferson retired to Monticello in 1809 and spent the rest of his life in the home he so loved. He filled his days reading the ancient classics, carrying on a large correspondence, and serving as president of the American Philosophical Society, the nation’s premier scientific institution.

In 1814 Jefferson revived his plan for a public education system in Virginia. While the legislature again rejected the overall plan, it approved one part, the state university. Jefferson provided the architectural design for the campus, hired the faculty, formed the curriculum, acquired the library, and attended to countless details.

Jefferson's health began to fail in 1818, and at the same time he faced financial ruin, and sank into bankruptcy. He died at Monticello on July 4, 1826, the fiftieth anniversary of American independence. Methodical to the end, he designed his own tombstone and wrote his own epitaph. Of all the accomplishments of his life, he chose to be remembered as the author of the Declaration of Independence and the Virginia Statute for Religious Freedom, and as the father of the University of Virginia.

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**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

The collection consists of 890 documents, primarily letters written by Jefferson and letters written to him, arranged in chronological order. The collection also contains notes in Jefferson's hand, pamphlets, and circulars. Jefferson kept copies of his outgoing correspondence and filed all letters alphabetically and chronologically, making them quickly accessible for later use. His filing notes are evident on most of the documents in the collection.

Many of the documents dating after 15 June 1804 are polygraph copies written with the polygraph machine, a device that Jefferson acquired from Charles Willson Peale in March 1804 during his first term as president. Polygraph copies are evidenced by the end of Jefferson's use of the letterpress technique, close examination of the letter, and by the fact that in Jefferson's later years they are written on the back of old envelopes. If the document inventory does not indicate "press copy," referring to the technique of using a letterpress to make copies, or "polygraph," it has been determined that the documents are either original or may be original (some polygraph copies are difficult to distinguish between what is actually his handwriting and that of the machine).

Documents in the collection, regardless of which public office Jefferson held at the time the documents were written, are a combination of personal correspondence with friends, business and personal financial transactions, official correspondence that Jefferson received by nature of his duties, or letters from strangers requesting Jefferson's assistance in various matters. Therefore, it is difficult to characterize the content of the documents by the nature of Jefferson's public offices. The combination outlined previously endures throughout the collection.

The earliest document in the collection is a map dating from approximately 1773 that

shows land leased from Jefferson's extensive land holdings in Albemarle County, the Shadwell quarter farm. The next document is dated 1779, from Jefferson's first year as governor of Virginia. However, the collection contains few documents from his governorship of Virginia. The bulk of the collection dates from the years of Jefferson's presidency, 1801 to 1809.

The documents created during Jefferson's presidency, 1801 to 1809, include personal correspondence with friends—such as Madame de Tesse, aunt of the Marquis de Lafayette—congratulatory letters, and letters from individuals wishing to be considered for government appointments or asking for financial or official assistance. Few documents in the collection relate to important matters of state. Two letters written by Jefferson in 1806 to Reuben Lewis, Meriwether Lewis's brother, relate to the progress of the Corps of Discovery across the new Louisiana Territory. These are the only two letters referring to the Lewis and Clark expedition. Several letters dating from his presidency refer to diplomatic difficulties with Spain and Great Britain without going into detail.

Many of the documents did not have dates and were dated from another source or from internal evidence. These documents are indicated by brackets around the dates: [20 July 1787]. Documents dated from other sources contain a reference to the source in parentheses at the end of the description. Often the source is an edition of *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, which is cited with the editor's name first, the title, and the volume and page numbers (e.g., Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 1, p. 100.).

### **ACQUISITION INFORMATION**

William K. Bixby collected most of the documents and donated them to the Missouri Historical Society over several years in the early part of the twentieth century, but especially in 1917. All but two of the documents that Bixby donated bear a stamp "Presented by William K. Bixby" or "Bixby Jeffersonia." One item is a pamphlet on taxes, 1815, and while it has no provenance associated with it, the pamphlet does bear a blue pencil marking (402) similar to other items donated by Bixby. The other item is a letter dated 1 August 1808, from Jonathan Snowden to Jefferson. It was found in the Aaron Burr Collection, in a folder indicating that it had come from William K. Bixby. It does not bear a "William K. Bixby" or "Jeffersoniana" stamp but does have the blue pencil marking (141) as mentioned above.

Another document, a polygraph copy of a letter to Mrs. Trist, dated 10 May 1813, has no provenance. This letter is included in a list detailing the provenance for documents that were not acquired from William K. Bixby that follows this inventory. Fourteen other documents, ranging in dates from 1779 to 1826, that have come from other sources are included in this list.

#### **Documents *Not* Acquired from W.K. Bixby:**

18 June 1779      ALS W. Phillips to Gov. Jefferson.  
Purchase. John Heise. December 1923.

- 8 Feb 1793 AL Thomas Jefferson to Tench Coxe.  
Purchase. Stan V. Henkels. 9 October 1922.
- 8 Apr 1801 ALS Thomas Jefferson to J.W. Eppes.  
Gift. Gertrude McDonald, 4542 Pershing Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 11 June 1949.
- 18 July 1803 DS James Madison and addressed to Joseph Nicholson.  
This item does not bear a "William K. Bixby" or "Jeffersoniana" stamp, and there is no indication that it was acquired by Bixby. There is no other information regarding the provenance of the circular or the enclosed proclamation.
- 6 Dec 1805 Invitation to [Joseph] Nicholson.  
This item bears a notation, in ink, "From C.S. Hook to Miss Drumm." Stella M. Drumm was Missouri Historical Society librarian from about 1915-1933.
- 27 Feb 1806 Invitation to Mr. & Mrs. [Joseph] Nicholson.  
This item bears a Missouri Historical Society stamp with a pencil notation "From N.H. Beauregard." Nettie Harney Beauregard was Missouri Historical Society archivist in the 1930s.
- 27 Jan 1807 DS Thomas Jefferson. Ship's clearance for the Isabella.  
Purchase. Pencil notation on the back indicates that this was a purchase but the name is illegible. It appears to be "Obran."
- 14 Mar 1807 ANS Thomas Jefferson to Dr. Lattimore.  
Gift. Arthur E. Shaw, 1934 Market Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 1 March 1916.
- 21 Mar 1807 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Gov. William Hull.  
Purchase. Albert Canter, West Orange, N.J. 28 August 1962. (accession number 62-0081)
- 16 Feb 1809 AD Thomas Jefferson, invitation to Judge Nicholson.  
Purchase. Forest H. Sweet, Battle Creek, Mich. 1 August 1952
- 10 May 1813 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Mrs. Trist.  
The provenance of this item is uncertain.
- 23 May 1813 ALS Lucy Smith to Thomas Jefferson.  
Purchase. Stan V. Henkels. 6 April 1923.
- 31 May 1813 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Lucy Smith.  
Purchase. Stan V. Henkels. 6 April 1923.

- 4 Dec 1819 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Debure brothers.  
Gift. Dr. Robert J. Terry, St. Louis, Mo. (formerly owned by Dr. Elisha H. Gregory, Jr.). 12 May 1942.
- 7 Apr 1826 ALS Thomas Jefferson to the Faculty & Professors of the University of Virginia.  
Gift. Evelyn Olin. 15 April 1991. (accession number 91-0024)

**The following abbreviations have been used in this inventory:**

- AD Autographed Document unsigned (an unsigned document in the hand of the author)
- ADf Autographed Draft unsigned (draft of a letter or other document in the hand of the author)
- ADfS Autographed Draft Signed (draft of a letter or other document signed by and entirely in the hand of the author)
- ADS Autographed Document Signed (a document signed by and entirely in the hand of the author)
- AL Autographed Letter unsigned (an unsigned letter in the hand of the author)
- ALS Autographed Letter Signed (a letter entirely in the hand of and signed by the author)
- AN Autographed Note unsigned (an unsigned brief or informal letter or message, often fragmentary, in the hand of the author)
- ANS Autographed Note Signed (a brief or informal letter or message, often fragmentary, entirely in the hand of and signed by the author)
- DS Document Signed (a document, hand-written or printed, not written by or blank spaces filled in by the author)
- LS Letter Signed



**BOX LIST**

Box 1	circa 1773–September 1787
Box 2	October 1787–1790
Box 3	1791–Feb 1801
Box 4	March 1801–1802
Box 5	1803–July 1805
Box 6	August 1805–June 1807
Box 7	September 1807–1809
Box 8	1810–April 1813
Box 9	May 1813–July 1817
Box 10	August 1817–1821
Box 11	1822–February 1825
Box 12	April 1825–1826, no date
Box 13	Oversize

## DOCUMENT INVENTORY

### **BOX 1: circa 1773–September 1787**

#### **Folder 1**

circa 1773 Map (in Jefferson's hand). Shows Shadwell land leased to E. Alexander and the part owned by J.W. Eppes. (1 page) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 1, p. 100.)

#### **Folder 2**

18 June 1779 ALS William Phillips, Colonel Carters House, to Governor Jefferson. Laments losing Jefferson as a neighbor to the Virginia government and requests that the "Troops of Convention" be put under Jefferson's protection. (2 pages)

ADf reply is attached. Jefferson indicates that he would be happy to see Phillips and says the "great cause which divides our countries is not to be decided by individual animosities. The harmony of private societies cannot weaken national efforts. . . ." (2 pages)

#### **Folder 3**

16 Aug 1779 ALS John Todd to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks Jefferson for sending him a copy of a bill for establishing religious freedom. (4 pages)

#### **Folder 4**

2 Oct 1779 ALS Pont de Vaney to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks him for the invitation he extended to him. (2 pages, in French)

#### **Folder 5**

13 Nov 1780 ALS John Lewis de Unger, the lieutenant to King August Wilhelm. Lists a catalogue of books delivered to Dr. Gilmer and Minister Colly. (2 pages, in French, translation included)

#### **Folder 6**

18 Apr 1781 AL Thomas Jefferson, Richmond, to Timothy Matlock, secretary to the American Philosophical Society. Thanks Matlock for appointing him a counselor. (2 pages)

#### **Folder 7**

[1782] Comparative table (in Jefferson's hand). Possibly the value of Continental currency in the thirteen states, October 1776–April 1782. (1 page) **Oversize**

22 Feb 1783 AD Thomas Jefferson's account with Robert Cary & Co. (1 page) **Oversize**

#### **Folder 8**

31 May 1783 ALS Wake Welch, Jr., London, to Thomas Jefferson. His father has brought him into the partnership and hopes that it will be satisfactory to Jefferson. (2 pages)

**Folder 9**

31 May 1783 ALS Wake Welch, Sr., London, to Thomas Jefferson. Congratulates Jefferson on the happy restoration of peace and writes of his business affairs. (2 pages)

**Folder 10**

29 Aug 1783 ALS Marquis de Poncins to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding an agricultural proposal he made with Benjamin Franklin. (4 pages, French)

**Folder 11**

16 Jan 1784 ADf Thomas Jefferson, Annapolis, to Marquis de Chastelleux. States that Lt. Col. Frank will deliver to Paris a copy of the ratification of the "Definitive Treaty." (2 pages)

**Folder 12**

19 May 1784 ALS Charles Thomson, Annapolis, to Thomas Jefferson. Concerned about a dissolution of the Confederacy; discusses disputes between states and says "the States would send forward men of enlarged minds & conciliating tempers . . . that time might not be given for consolidating the Confederacy." (2 pages)

**Folder 13**

2 July 1784 ALS Isaac Zane, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Had hoped to see Jefferson but was not informed of his trip. (2 pages)

**Folder 14**

28 July 1784 ALS Wake Welch, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Acknowledges the receipt of a favor from Jefferson by the hand of Mr. Moore. (2 pages)

**Folder 15**

16 Aug 1784 ADf Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Col. Matthew Clarkson. Regarding Clarkson's trip to France and the Netherlands to find benefactors for Columbia College. Due to the American Revolution, many universities were depleted of money and sent ambassadors to Europe to solicit funds. (2 pages)

**Folder 16**

22 Aug 1784 ADS Wake Welch, surviving partner to Cary & Moorey. Thomas Jefferson's account with the firm, 1774-1784. (2 pages) **Oversize**

**Folder 17**

circa Sept 1784 ADf Thomas Jefferson to the governor of Virginia [Benjamin Harrison]. Testifies that the bearer of the letter, Col. [Jacques] LeMarie, was a colonel of dragoons in Virginia during the Revolutionary War and is entitled to 2000 acres of land. (2 pages) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 7, pp. 430-431.)

**Folder 18**

17 Sept 1784 ALS Wake Welch, London, to Thomas Jefferson. He sent a copy of his account and has recently been honored with a line from George Washington. (2 pages)

**Folder 19**

10 Dec 1784 ALS Wake Welch, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding his letter on September 17 and requests the favor of a reply. (2 pages)

**Folder 20**

[27 Dec 1784] ALS Marquis de Chastelleux to Thomas Jefferson. Responds to Jefferson's letter of 24 December 1784; states that he has done what Jefferson advised him and had the journal of his trip to America and his comments regarding its citizens translated into English and published, striking the remarks that Jefferson thought might be found offensive. (4 pages, in French) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 7, pp. 580-586.)

**Folder 21**

17 Mar 1785 ALS M. Chevallie, Rochefort, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes concerning his accounts with the state of Virginia. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 22**

2 June 1785 AL Marquis de Chastelleux to Thomas Jefferson. He had the opportunity to read Jefferson's work and found it very interesting. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 23**

21 July 1785 AL M. de Pio, charge d'affaires to the king of Naples, to Thomas Jefferson. Inquires about goods that might be exported to Europe and particularly to the port of Sicily. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 24**

21 July 1785 AL Thomas Jefferson to M. de Pio. Lists goods that the United States exports such as rice, indigo, tar, tobacco, wheat, cloth, etc. (2 pages, press copy, in French)

**Folder 25**

12 Aug 1785 ALS Thomas Thompson, Dover, to Col. Jefferson. He has been

supplying two London newspapers (*Morning Chronicle* and *London Chronicle*) to Benjamin Franklin; asks should he send them on to Jefferson as well. (2 pages)

17 Aug 1785 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Thomas Thompson. He would enjoy the newspapers only if they are clear of French postage. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 26**

22 Aug 1785 ALS Thomas Thompson, Dover, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes concerning the forwarding of the London newspapers. (2 pages)

**Folder 27**

3 Sept 1785 ALS Francois-Jean, Chevalier de Chastelleux, to Thomas Jefferson. He is pleased that Jefferson is interested in his lecture. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 28**

16 Sept 1785 ALS James Wilkie, Marseilles, to Thomas Jefferson. He is forwarding the enclosed, given to him by Consul Logie of Algiers. (2 pages)

**Folder 29**

22 Sept 1785 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Neill Jamieson. Requests that Jamieson forward all New York newspapers to Mr. Jay who will in turn send them on to Jefferson in bulk so as to avoid the high postage on newspapers. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 30**

26 Sept [1785] AL Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Nathaniel Tracy. Asks that due to the high French postage his newspapers be sent to the Office of Foreign Affairs under cover to Mr. Jay who will package and forward them to Jefferson. (2 pages, press copy, incomplete)

**Folder 31**

28 Sept 1785 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to the governor of Virginia. The house of LeVal & Wilfelsheim have protested Mr. Morris' bills and have stopped payment. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 32**

24 Oct 1785 ALS Thomas Pleasants Jr., Raleigh, to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding the trade of tobacco and the influx of British goods. "Tobacco is a most valuable article of our Commerce, and if properly managed will be a great Source of Material Wealth." (4 pages)

**Folder 33**

[1786] AD Thomas Jefferson, power of attorney. Giving an unnamed person authority to recover all sums of money or other property of theirs in the

hands of Messrs. Marck, Nephew & Co. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 34**

4 Feb 1786

ALS John Walker, Shirley, to Thomas Jefferson. His daughter died October 17, 1784, leaving them a granddaughter. Suggests that enticing Swiss or French peasants to come to America and tenant the mountainous lands would be practical. (4 pages)

**Folder 35**

8 Feb 1786

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Joseph Nourse. States that a letter from the Count de Cambray is enclosed directing the delivery of his certificate to the count's uncle in Paris. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 36**

12 Mar 1786

AL La Comtesse de Chaunai D'Anterroches to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks him for his letter and his willingness to forward a letter to her estranged son. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 37**

25 Apr 1786

ADS William Reeves, receipt. For £40 from Thomas Jefferson with payment and balance record on back in Jefferson's handwriting, 1774-1793. (2 pages)

5 May 1786

ALS M. de Malesherbes to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks him for his gift of American tree and shrub specimens. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 38**

19 May 1786

ALS J.A. Gautier to Thomas Jefferson. He will send the letter of credit that Jefferson desires for Mr. Wuibert; Mr. Troyes will pay the bill. (2 pages)

23 May 1786

ALS Troyes to Thomas Jefferson. He has written to his father-in-law concerning a financial matter. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 39**

2 July 1786

ALS DuPortail, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Awaits the time when the United States' finances will permit settling his debts. (2 pages, French)

4 July 1786

AL Court of Naples to M. del Pio. States that Jefferson's policy with the Algerians will work with the cooperation of the other European powers. (2 pages, in Italian)

20 July [1786]

AL Madame [Sophie-Ernestine] de Tott to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks him for the charming little book. (2 pages, in French) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 10, p. 160.)

**Folder 40**

- 2 Aug 1786 ALS Jean-Armand Tronchin, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Acknowledges receipt of Jefferson's letter and says that M. Gallatin's family is happy to hear of his existence and the advantageous position he occupies. (2 pages, in French)
- 3 Aug 1786 ALS Letombe, Boston, to Thomas Jefferson. Gave Mr. Jay the two letters entrusted to him as soon as he arrived in New York. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 41**

- 11 Aug 1786 AL Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to L'Abbe Morellet. Thanks him for the translation of his notes and explains that he (Jefferson) will retain property of the plate for future map engravings. (1 page, press copy)
- 17 Aug 1786 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Messrs. De Vernon & Dangirard. Regarding the case of money owed Mark & Co. for Dangirard & De Vernon from the treasury of the United States and the state of Virginia. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 42**

- [20 Aug 1786] AL De Vernon to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a letter of recommendation for Mr. Baruister. (2 pages, in French) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 10, pp. 279-280.)
- 25 Aug 1786 AL Thomas Jefferson to Mr. De Vernon. Discusses the money owed De Vernon and Dangirard from the United States Treasury and Virginia. (2 pages, press copy, in French)

**Folder 43**

- 14 Sept 1786 ALS Etienne Claviere, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes about the cultivation of tobacco in Europe, which he does not think practical because it exhausts the soil. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 44**

- 11 Oct 1786 ALS Jean Chas, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Discusses political and philosophical history of English revolutions stressing the American Revolution. (4 pages, in French)
- 15 Oct 1786 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Comte de Vergennes. Requests that he be allowed to export certain arms and accouterments that he had made for the state of Virginia as well as articles for personal use. (3 pages, press copy)

**Folder 45**

- 28 Nov [1786] ALS La Comtesse de Tott, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks him for

his last letter, his suggestions for her studies of Homer, and hopes to see him soon at her mother's, Madame de Tesse's, home. (2 pages, in French, transcription and translation included)

**Folder 46**

28 Nov 1786

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Madame de Tott. Writes about the rhythm of Homer. (2 pages, press copy)

Encloses some rules of Greek prosody. (3 pages, press copy)

**Folder 47**

[Dec] 1786

AL Madame de Tott to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks him for the books and hopes to see him soon. (2 pages, in French)

2 Dec 1786

ALS Jean Chas, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a manuscript copy of his philosophical and political history with a prospectus of his work. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 48**

circa 1787

AN on an envelope addressed to Jefferson with a French address. The notation, in Jefferson's hand, states "Virginia copy of my account." (2 pages) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 11, p. 415.)

**Folder 49**

circa 1787

AN describing the physical characteristics and habits of the American moose. (2 pages) (These are probably the notes sent to Jefferson by friends in America as referred to in his letter to the Comte de Buffon dated 10 October 1787.) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 5, pp. 352-354.)

**Folder 50**

circa 1787

AD list of expenses for cases of wine. (2 pages, in French) (Notation on back refers to Tarbe who was "commis des finances" or clerk of finances in the office of Jacques Necker in 1788. See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 13, p. 659.)

**Folder 51**

[Jan 1787]

AL Le Veillard to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding a shipment of de Cahurac wine that Tarbe is sending. (2 pages, in French) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 11, p. 678.)

3 Jan 1787

ALS Etienne Claviere, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes on the circulation of paper money in America. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 52**



[19 Jan 1787] ALS Thomas Jefferson to Le Chavallier de Champagni. Advises him to go and see America first before he decides to leave France, then get a friend to sell his property and deposit the money in a bank where he could draw out money when needed. (2 pages, press copy, in French) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 11, p. 54.)

[28 Jan 1787] AL Thomas Jefferson to Antonius Vieyra. Regrets missing his visit and returns the books, which he enjoyed. (2 pages, press copy) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 11, p. 85.)

**Folder 53**

1 Feb 1787 ALS De Puisaye to Thomas Jefferson. Recounts his life story and asks if he should become an American. (6 pages, in French)

**Folder 54**

11 Feb 1787 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Count de Vergennes. Requests a passport to travel from Paris to Aix en Provence. Due to a dislocated hand, Jefferson's doctors advised him to try the medicinal effects of the waters of Aix en Provence. (3 pages, press copy, part in French)

11 Feb 1787 ALS Thomas Jefferson to M. Tarbe. Informs him that the wine has arrived. (2 pages, press copy, in French)

**Folder 55**

12 Feb 1787 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to M. De Puisaye. Believes that the talents that M. De Puisaye possesses will enable him to succeed in America. (2 pages, press copy, in French)

23 Feb 1787 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Mrs. Champernoune, sister of the late Mr. Trist. Inquires about Trist's widow and her son Hore Browse Trist. (4 pages, press copy)

**Folder 56**

28 Feb 1787 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Madame de Tott. Asks if she has seen the superb painting of Marius done by Jean Germain Drouais in the manner of David that "all Paris is running to see." (2 pages, press copy)

28 Feb 1787 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Madame [Adrienne Catherine de Noailles] de Tesse. Asks her to send letters to read on his journey; a servant will deliver the Magnolia seeds. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 57**

4 Mar 1787 AL Madame de Tott, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. She has seen the painting of Marius by Drouais and found the color and composition admirable. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 58**

[20 Mar 1787] ALS Thomas Jefferson to Madame de Tesse. Writes on Roman antiquities and says he will wait to send a letter to Madame de Tott from a Grecian rather than a Roman canton. (2 pages, press copy) (This letter contains the last two pages of a three-page letter. The first page is owned by the Massachusetts Historical Society. See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 11, pp. 226-228.)

**Folder 59**

29 Apr 1787 ALS Francois-Jean, Chevalier de Chastelleux, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Discusses Jefferson's impending visit to Tours and suggests that he stay with Mr. Gentil, premier secretaire de l'intendance. (4 pages, in French)

19 May [1787] AL Madame de Tott, Chaville, to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks him for his letter from Marseille and hopes for his return shortly. (4 pages, in French) (During the spring and summer of 1787, Jefferson embarked on a journey from Paris to the southern regions of France and into northern Italy. See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 11, pp. 367-368.)

**Folder 60**

21 June 1787 ALS Richard Claiborne, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Inquires about Col. Samuel Blackden, who had charge to sell some of Claiborne's property in Paris, and the particulars of the transaction of which he has heard nothing. (4 pages)

11 July 1787 ALS Richard Claiborne, London, to Thomas Jefferson. He is in correspondence with Col. Blackden who is in Amsterdam; asks whether Americans or Europeans would make the most eligible tenants on Claiborne's land in Virginia. (4 pages)

**Folder 61**

14 Aug 1787 AD notice from the local merchants of Bordeaux to Monseigneur de Ville Controlleur General. Regarding losses they would sustain should France import tobacco from the United States. (3 pages, in French)

**Oversize**

15 Aug 1787 ALS Anthony Vieyra, Trinity College, Dublin, to Thomas Jefferson. Offers his services and states that the bearer of this letter is a bookseller with many valuable and rare books. (2 pages)

**Folder 62**

24 Aug 1787 ALS Valade to Thomas Jefferson. He has a portrait of King Louis XVI dressed in ceremonial garb that he believes would be suitable for Jefferson's study. (2 pages, in French)

25 Aug 1787 ALS Jonathan Jones, Bordeaux, to Thomas Jefferson. Refers to the letter of the Bordeaux merchants and their concerns over the importation of tobacco. (4 pages)

**Folder 63**

10 Sept 1787 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Messrs. John van Heukelom & Son. Acknowledges the receipt of their letter of March 1786; presumes that they have settled their matter with Barclay. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 64**

27 Sept 1787 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Jean Vautelet. Regarding money loaned to Vautelet's son by John Sullivan of New Hampshire. (2 pages, press copy, in French)

**BOX 2: Oct 1787–1790**

**Folder 1**

2 Oct 1787 ALS Richard Claiborne, London, to Thomas Jefferson, Paris. Thanks Jefferson for the reply to his letter dated August 8; encloses another letter to Col. Blackden; has formed a good connection in the mercantile line in London and expects to leave shortly for Jamaica where he intends to settle. (4 pages)

17 Oct 1787 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Madame la Comtesse de Tesse. Sends her a parcel of seeds from America and says "the variety is great, the quantities small." (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 2**

24 Oct 1787 ALS Comte Lacepede to Thomas Jefferson. Writes about M. le Comte de Buffon's steed and wants to compare it with the North American variety. (2 pages, in French)

30 Oct 1787 ALS Wernecke to Thomas Jefferson. Requests a death certificate of his brother who died in Richmond, Virginia, in 1783. (2 pages, French)

**Folder 3**

2 Nov 1787 AD copy of a trading license for Joseph Chiappe in Mogador. (1 page, in Spanish)

**Folder 4**

5 Nov 1787 ALS Madame Townsend to Thomas Jefferson. Writes that she has a project in which she would like him to participate. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 5**

5 Nov 1787 ALS Pierre Samuel Dupont, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Responds that he will try to procure a copy of "le Memoire des Fermiers [farmers]." (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 6**

- 6 Nov 1787 ALS Pierre Samuel Dupont, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Believes it necessary to secure Mr. Lambert before the signing of a provisional letter. (2 pages, in French)
- 13 Nov 1787 ALS Madame Townsend to Thomas Jefferson. Finds it difficult to obtain funds and is sorry to trouble him. Asks the safest way to send a letter to Denmark. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 7**

- 27 Dec 1787 ALS Guiseppe Chiappe, Mogador, to Thomas Jefferson. Received, through his brother in Morocco, Jefferson's letter of November 15. Congress has confirmed the appointment of himself and his brothers as consuls. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 8**

- circa Feb 1788 AD memorandum for Chrestian & Co., creditors of Commodore Alexander Gillon, an agent of South Carolina. In 1780, on the recommendation of Lemarque & Fabre, the firm of Chrestian & Co. furnished Commodore Gillon some cloth. They did this after consulting with Benjamin Franklin but have not yet received payment. (2 pages, in French) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 12, pp. 633-634.)

**Folder 9**

- Feb 1788 ALS M. de La Vingtrie to Thomas Jefferson. Desires to find someone to sell him land in America. (2 pages, in French) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 12, pp. 585-586.)

**Folder 10**

- 12 Feb 1788 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Mr. de la Vingtrie. Replies that he knows of no one with land for sale and advises him to visit the country before buying any land. (2 pages, press copy, in French)

**Folder 11**

- 17 Feb 1788 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Mrs. Angelica Church, sister of Mrs. Alexander Hamilton. Describes America as "an improved plan" from the "crude production" of Europe. (3 pages, press copy)

**Folder 12**

- 22 Feb 1788 AL Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Monsieur le President Pichard. Requests 250 bottles of la Fite wine, vintage 1784, from Bordeaux. (2 pages, press copy, in French)
- 23 Feb 1788 AL Jean-Armand Tronchin, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks Jefferson to speak at "le Memoire des Interesses de la manufacture de Bourges."

(2 pages, in French)

26 Feb 1788 ALS Guiseppe Chiappe, Mogador, to Thomas Jefferson. Nothing has happened since the departure of Capt. Joseph West for Martinique with 60 mules. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 13**

[Mar 1788]

AD Guiseppe Chiappe. Translation copies that appear to be notifications regarding trading rights in Morocco. (1 page, in Italian)  
**Oversize**

**Folder 14**

6 Mar 1788

ALS Francesco Chiappe, Mogador, to Thomas Jefferson. Has sent the letter and treaty ratification from Congress to the emperor [of Morocco] but has not received a reply. (2 pages, in Italian)

6 Mar 1788

ALS Guiseppe Chiappe, Mogador, to Thomas Jefferson. The ports of Morocco are closed to English ships, but apparently not to American vessels. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 15**

29 Apr 1788

ALS Antoine Terrasson, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses some documents relating to a canal to be built in South Carolina and a request for Jefferson to meet with the Marquis de LaFayette concerning the canal. (2 pages)

**Folder 16**

20 May 1788

ALS Henry Wyld to Thomas Jefferson. Asks about the state of different textile industries in America. (2 pages) **Oversize.**

**Folder 17**

24 May 1788

ALS Guiseppe Chiappe, Mogador, to Thomas Jefferson. Explains what is going on with the Dutch and English in Mogador (Morocco) and believes that the United States will be able to continue using their ports. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 18**

4 June 1788

ALS Dubu de la Tagnerette, administrateur general des postes, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. He has an important object for him and asks on behalf of the Marquis de Lafayette if Jefferson will be in Chaillot on Sunday. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 19**

9 June 1788

ADS Antoine Terrasson and Veuve Leleu & Cie., Paris. Agreement whereby Terrasson agrees to supply Veuve Leleu & Cie. with rice from Carolina to distribute to different ports in France. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 20**

22 June 1788 ALS Chamillard, lieutenant colonel d'infanterie, Versailles, to Thomas Jefferson. He has been authorized to act in concert with Jefferson during a negotiation concerning two frigates that were returned to the English by the Dutch. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 21**

23 June 1788 ALS Leray de Chaumont to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding money owed the French Navy by the United States; recalls his experiences serving the United States during the American Revolution. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 22**

4 July 1788 ALS Richard Claiborne, London, to Thomas Jefferson, Paris. Introduces Mr. Cole (from Germany) to whom Claiborne has mentioned Jefferson's lands that are for sale in Virginia; asks Jefferson to give his "general sentiments" on the property. (4 pages)

[20 July 1788] ALS Jonathan Polson, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks if his lands in Virginia have been confiscated and adds, "If the lands of all British subjects who did not join the American Army are forfeited, mine must be of course." (2 pages) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 13, pp. 388-389.)

24 July 1788 ALS Guiseppe Chiappe, Mogador, to Thomas Jefferson, Paris. Concerns the activities of the English and the Dutch in Mogador. (2 pages, French)

**Folder 23**

7 Aug 1788 ALS Antoine Terrasson, Amsterdam, to Thomas Jefferson. Regrets leaving Paris without Jefferson's orders for the Dutch and mentions the canal to be built in South Carolina. (2 pages, French)

**Folder 24**

9 Aug 1788 ALS Jan Ingenhousz, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Refers to a power of attorney document authorizing Samuel Vaughan, Jr., to act on his behalf in a land dispute. (2 pages)

**Folder 25**

12 Aug 1788 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to De Vernon. Concerns the payment of "Continental loans." (2 pages, press copy, in French)

**Folder 26**

17 Aug 1788 AD Italian translation of letters from the emperor of Morocco to the Congress of the United States and to Sid Ali Bassia of Tripoli. Regarding shipping and armaments. (2 pages, in Italian)

**Folder 27**

20 Aug 1788 ALS Francisco Chiappe to Thomas Jefferson. Unable to obtain a reply from the emperor of Morocco to the letter sent by Congress (on 6 March 1788) because the emperor was preparing a campaign against a rebellious province. (2 pages, in Italian)

**Folder 28**

22 Aug 1788 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Jean Jacques Peuchen. Thanks him for the cooking pans[?]. (2 pages, press copy, in French)

**Folder 29**

2 Sept 1788 ALS Jonathan Nesbitt, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks for help collecting debts in America so he can repay his creditors in France. (4 pages)

12 Sept 1788 ALS Etienne Claviere, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Introduces Francois DuPont, who lost his business due to the war in the Crimea and wants to come to America. (2 pages, in French)

20 Sept 1788 ALS William Tatham, "Ship America at sea," British Channel, to William Short. Thanks him and Jefferson for their friendship and the testimonial of Mr. Monroe and Mr. Hardy, which gave Tatham "considerable [business] advantages in the Southern States." (4 pages)

**Folder 30**

2 Oct 1788 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Thomas Payne, London bookseller. Introduces himself and sends a list of books. (5 pages, press copy)

**Folder 31**

20 Nov 1788 ALS Silas Talbot, Johnstown, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks Jefferson to inquire about his sons, Cyrus and George Washington Talbot, who are in the French Navy. (4 pages)

**Folder 32**

16 Dec 1788 ALS Richard Claiborne, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Requests information on Col. Samuel Blackden who was entrusted with the sale of Claiborne's land in Virginia. (2 pages)

20 Dec 1788 ALS Le Couteulx & Cie., Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a letter from Nesbitt concerning his request for help to recover his debts. (2 pages)

**Folder 33**

30 Dec 1788 ALS Pere Chauvier, general of the Mathurins, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Will assist with the recovery of captured Americans in Algiers. (2 pages, in French) (Chauvier was "General et Grand Ministre

de l'Ordre de la Sainte Trinite de la Redemption des Captifs." The Order of Saint Trinity for the Redemption of Captives was established in 1198 for the benevolent purpose of redeeming Christians from Mohammedans. The members were called "les Mathurins" because the order was located on rue des Mathurins. The order ceased with the coming of the French Revolution and this act to help Americans captured in Algiers was one of their last efforts.) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 14, pp. 401-402.)

30 Dec 1788 ALS Richard Claiborne, London, to Thomas Jefferson, Paris. He has received word from Col. Blackden concerning his land for sale in Virginia and requests a certificate and seal signed by Jefferson validating the legality of his deed. (4 pages)

**Folder 34**  
circa 1789

AL Madame de Tesse to William Short. Regarding some seeds she would like from Jefferson. (4 pages, in French) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 14, pp. 667-668.)

**Folder 35**  
9 Jan 1789

ALS Perrault, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson, Paris. Asks for the money owed him for French lessons given to Jefferson's slave. (4 pages, in French) (Jefferson's slave and chef de cuisine was James Hemmings, although it is not clear if Hemmings was Perrault's student.) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 14, p. 426.)

**Folder 36**  
20 Jan 1789

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Edward Luttrell. Certifies Claiborne's land grants and affirms Claiborne's land and reputation. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 37**  
28 Jan 1789

ALS Bethune-Charost to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks Jefferson for releasing him from the debt he owed the United States. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 38**  
15 Feb 1789

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Mrs. Angelica Schuyler Church. Sent the letter to "the lady" in New York as she desired and believes that her March departure will be disagreeable for her because it is a difficult month to pass at sea. (3 pages, press copy)

19 Feb 1789

ALS Guiseppe Chiappe, Mogador, to Thomas Jefferson. The emperor of Morocco received the Dutch ambassador who settled differences with a cash payment to the emperor; the English are to have the same access to the Straits of Gibraltar as other nations. (2 pages, in French)



**Folder 39**

- 12 Mar 1789 ALS Malesherbes to Thomas Jefferson. Responds to Jefferson's request of rice that grows on high lands in Cochin China and which Jefferson believes would grow well in the Carolinas because this strain of rice only requires rainfall and not seasonal flooding to grow. (4 pages, in French)
- 26 Mar 1789 ALS Thiery, fils aine [eldest son], Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Interested in setting up an enterprise in Boston and asks Jefferson for recommendations and information. (2 pages, in French)
- 26 Mar 1789 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Thiery. Not very familiar with the city of Boston and advises he see a Mr. Parker regarding his business enterprise. (2 pages, press copy, in French)

**Folder 40**

- 20 Apr 1789 ALS Thiery, fils aine [eldest son], Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks Jefferson for his advice; had already contacted Mr. Parker regarding his plans to set up a soap manufactory in Boston. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 41**

- May 1789 ALS Rodolphe Tillier to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks Jefferson for his kind reception of Tillier while passing through Paris. (2 pages)

**Folder 42**

- 9 May 1789 ALS Richard Claiborne, London, to Thomas Jefferson, Paris. Wishes Jefferson safe passage back to the United States and congratulates him on the adoption of the Constitution. (4 pages)

**Folder 43**

- 10 July 1789 ALS Chardon, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes as a negotiator in a dispute involving the French Navy and its seizure of American arms. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 44**

- 25 July 1789 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Lord Wycombe. Introduces the bearer of the letter, Mr. Morris, as "an American gentleman of great talents and information, and who has been peculiarly distinguished in our councils, and intimate with the transactions of our republic." (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 45**

- 3 Aug 1789 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Messrs. Robert & Hugh Ingram, London. Remits the sum of 124 sterling for Alexander McCaul of Glasgow. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 46**

10 Aug 1789

ALS Messrs. Robert & Hugh Ingram, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Received Jefferson's payment for McCaul; ask for assistance with a "Brigantine" from Virginia called *Dart* that was confiscated by the French, who supposed it was British. (2 pages)

**Folder 47**

27 Aug 1789

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Paris, to Madame de Tesse. Thanks her for the marble pedestal and its inscription. (2 pages, press copy) (The pedestal supported a bust of Jefferson by Ceracchi that was displayed in the vestibule of Monticello and later moved to Washington, D.C., where it was destroyed in the capitol fire in 1851.) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 15, pp. 364-365.)

**Folder 48**

26 Sept 1789

ALS De Valady, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Requests Jefferson forward a letter to M. de Crevecoeur concerning trunks of books that Valady shipped to New York. (2 pages)

**Folder 49**

20 Oct 1789

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Cowes, to Daniel Parker. His trip is delayed due to "contrary winds," he (Jefferson) has left papers with Mr. Short and it would please him if Parker could procure partners for his plan. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 50**

3 Feb 1790

AL John Nicholas, Jr., to Thomas Jefferson. Discusses a work done by "a certain statesman" [Patrick Henry] in which "avarice and a love for popularity seem to be the main charges exhibited in that work." (2 pages)

**Folder 51**

9 Mar 1790

ALS L'Abbe Piattoli, Varsovie, to Thomas Jefferson. Congratulates him on the success of the United States and describes the new French constitution as a "chef d'oeuvre." (8 pages, in French)

**Folder 52**

14 Mar 1790

ALS De Pio, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. He has resigned as secretary to the ambassador to Naples and has adopted France as his new fatherland. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 53**

17 Apr 1790

ANS Thomas Jefferson to Messrs. Leroy & Bayard, New York. Asks the men to please pay six guineas to Mr. Trumball. (The middle part of Jefferson's signature is torn.) (2 pages)

**Folder 54**

2 June 1790

ALS John Steele, House of Representatives, to Jefferson. A committee has been appointed to report what action has been taken concerning the amendments to the Constitution in several states. (1 page)

Enclosure: AD List of states and their action on the proposed amendments to the Constitution. (3 pages)

**Folder 55**

28 June 1790

ALS John Kemp to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding his request for a standard unit of measure and weight for the United States. (2 pages)

**Folder 56**

25 July 1790

ALS Le Veillard, Passy Les Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of the death of their "illustre compatriote" Benjamin Franklin [April 17, 1790], and discusses the writing of Franklin's memoirs. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 57**

3 Aug 1790

ALS Adrien Petit, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson, Philadelphia. His parents do not wish him to join Jefferson in America because the wages proposed to Petit by Jefferson are mediocre. (4 pages, in French) (Petit was a servant to Jefferson while he was ambassador to France and was in charge of packing and shipping Jefferson's personal goods back to America.)

**Folder 58**

6 Dec 1790

DS Thomas Jefferson, secretary of state. Printed act of the U.S. Congress to make further provisions for payments to invalids and public services. (2 pages)

**BOX 3: 1791–February 1801****Folder 1**

10 Feb 1791

ALS Lambert to Thomas Jefferson. An almost fatal illness kept him from seeing Jefferson before he left. Lambert hopes that General Washington liked the wine he sent; is sending a case to Jefferson. (2 pages, in French) **Oversize**

**Folder 2**

10 Sept 1791

ALS De Tubeuf, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia, or in Philadelphia. Speaks of founding an establishment of 35 French immigrants in Russell County, Virginia. (4 pages, in French) (French industrialist Tubeuf, his family, 18 adventurers, and 30 servants left Normandy after the failure of his coal mines. Despite Virginia's financial assistance and protection from the Indians, Tubeuf was unsuccessful in attracting other French emigrants to Russell County. He and his family were murdered by robbers in 1795.) (See Charles T.

Cullen, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 22, pp. 141-142.)

**Folder 3**

22 Oct 1791

ALS Archibald Stuart, Staunton, to Thomas Jefferson. Mentions “the objections to our State Government,” which represent the political division of parties in Virginia; questions the principles of the bank newly established by Congress; and mentions the formation of a post office. (4 pages)

**Folder 4**

[1792]

AL Thomas Jefferson, secretary of state, to the Gentlemen of the Senate. Regarding extension of the negotiations at Madrid and ratification of any treaty the commissioners may enter into. (1 page, press copy) (The date of this document, which begins “Gentlemen of the Senate,” was determined by examining correspondence and documents published in Charles T. Cullen, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*. In a letter to George Washington dated 23 December 1791, Jefferson transmitted a table that is identical to the one attached to this document. In a footnote on page 84 [Cullen, Vol. 23] the Senate approval of the nomination of William Carmichael and William Short as commissioners to Spain was given as 24 January 1792. Since the document states that the commissioners were “lately” appointed, it has been determined that it must have been written early in 1792. Whether or not the attached table was done at the same time or is simply a letterpress copy from the one sent to Washington in 1791 is difficult to ascertain.)

[1792]

AD Thomas Jefferson. Report on commerce accompanying above letter entitled “Footing of the Commerce of the U.S. with France & England & with the French & English American colonies.” (3 pages, press copy) (This folder includes 5 pages on dating the documents.)

**Folder 5**

4 Feb 1792

ALS William Vaughan, the Society for the Improvement of Naval Architecture, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Sent through his brother Benjamin “the second part of a Collection of papers on Naval architecture.” (2 pages)

**Folder 6**

19 May 1792

ALS Francis Willis, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Reports that Anthony Powell left Georgia for Spanish territory owing money to friends of Willis. Upon finding Powell, they were unable to retrieve their money because they were threatened by the Spanish. Willis is concerned that future debtors will flee to Spanish territory for asylum. (2 pages)

**Folder 7**

18 June 1792–  
13 July 1793

Series of four press copy transcriptions bound together (12 pages)

1. 11 July 1793, Josef de Jaudenes & Josef Ignacio de Viar to Thomas Jefferson. Want harmonious relations between Spain and the United States but they are concerned that the boundaries being set for the Creek Nation by commissioners of the United States might be harmful to Spain and contrary to the interest of the Creek Nation. (3 pages)
2. 13 July 1793, Josef de Jaudenes & Josef Ignacio de Viar to Thomas Jefferson. Have no desire to offend the government of the United States and are only looking out for Spain's interests. (1 page)
3. 18 June 1792, Josef de Jaudenes & Josef Ignacio de Viar in Philadelphia. Write of various acts perpetrated by Governor Blount such as inciting the Chickasaws to start a war with the Creeks. (4 pages)
4. 8 April 1793, Cherokee Nation to the governor of New Orleans. Regarding the encroachment of Americans on their land thereby violating a treaty. (4 pages)

**Folder 8**

11 July 1792

ALS Duke of Liancourt to Thomas Jefferson. Received Jefferson's last two letters with unfortunate delay; longs for Virginia. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 9**

22 July 1792

ALS De Pio to Thomas Jefferson. Letter of friendship; asks for a line back from Jefferson. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 10**

28 July 1792

ALS Adrien Petit to Thomas Jefferson. Complains that the French woman who works with him spreads untruths about him; he can no longer work in that household. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 11**

11 Aug 1792

ALS E. Laughlan, Columbia, to Thomas Jefferson, Albemarle. Asks for his assistance to get the post rider from Richmond to Staunton employed by the United States rather than remain employed by subscription. (2 pages)

**Folder 12**

9 Oct 1792 ALS Ernst Frederick Walterstorff, St. Croix, to Thomas Jefferson, Philadelphia. Introduces his friend Col. von Rohr, inspector general for public buildings and surveyor, as a student of natural history. Rolf has written “a small Treatise” on the cultivation of cotton and is to be in charge of a new colony established by the Danish king on the coast of Guinea. In response to abolishing the slave trade, this colony was to civilize Negroes and promote the cultivation of the West Indies. (2 pages) (See John Catanzariti, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 24, p. 458.)

**Folder 13**

8 Nov 1792 ALS Rodolf Vall-Travers, Rotterdam, Harings-Vliet, to Thomas Jefferson, Philadelphia. Thanks Jefferson and his associates for bestowing on his “poor endeavors the glorious title of Fellowship to their philosophical labors.” (4 pages)

**Folder 14**

6 Dec 1792 ALS Archibald Stuart, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Wishes, along with his colleagues, for the removal of “Mr. A” [John Adams] from the “V. Presidency” and replaced with “Mr. C” [George Clinton] in order to further the Republican cause. (4 pages)

**Folder 15**

27 Dec 1792 AL John Nancarrow, a Quaker steel manufacturer, to Thomas Jefferson. Apologizes for not meeting with Jefferson when requested because he was busy meeting with farmers from out of town and states that “he knows from experience that one man cannot throw water 45 feet high.” (2 pages)

27 Dec 1792 AN John Nancarrow. Regarding drawing states, “This machine is simple, easily constructed & capable of raising water to any height provided the pumps are made in the Jack-head form.” (2 pages)

Drawing, ink on paper: Design of a machine to lift water. (1 page)

**Folder 16**

5 Feb 1793 ALS John M. Pintard, Madeira, to Thomas Jefferson. Regrets to hear of his intent to resign and wishes him well in retirement. (2 pages)

**Folder 17**

8 Feb 1793 ADS Thomas Jefferson to Tenche Coxe. Contains two separate notes:

1. Undated, presents compliments and encloses a letter that may serve as a clue as to the unfavorable distinction made by the British regarding American vessels. (1 page)

2. 8 Feb 1793, thanks Coxe for a pamphlet containing a plan for a town on the Susquehannah and requests two more copies. (1 page)

**Folder 18**

15 Feb 1793–  
18 Dec 1793

Series of six press copy transcriptions of four documents, some in Jefferson's hand (13 pages)

1. 15 Feb 1793, Josef de Jaudenes & Josef Ignacio de Viar, Philadelphia, to Jefferson. Regarding the regulation of commerce between the United States and Spain. (2 pages)
2. 16 Feb 1793, ALS Jean Baptiste Ternant to Jefferson. Regarding the regulations of commerce between France and the United States, particularly importation of American tobacco to France. (1 page) (See John Catanzariti, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 25, p. 211.)
3. 28 Oct 1793, Baron de Carondelet, New Orleans, to Messrs. Josef de Jaudenes & Josef Ignacio de Viar. Regarding Indian affairs of the Cherokee Nation and the bad faith of Americans toward their Indian neighbors. (2 separate copies, each 4 pages)
4. 18 Dec 1793, Josef de Jaudenes and Josef Ignacio de Viar, Philadelphia, to Jefferson. They are transmitting a letter from the governor of Louisiana regarding the conduct of United States agents towards the Indians. (2 separate copies, 2 pages)

**Folder 19**

21 Feb 1793

ALS Wakelyn Welch, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding financial matters. (2 pages)

**Folder 20**

26 Feb 1793

ALS David Stuart, Hope Park, to Thomas Jefferson. Introduces the bearer of the letter as Mr. Kennedy, Earl of Cassilis in Scotland, and wishes to be introduced to the British minister in Philadelphia. (2 pages)

**Folder 21**

11 May 1793

ALS Edward Stevens, Alexandria, to Thomas Jefferson. Will comply with Jefferson's order as soon as he returns home; he unfortunately lost all of his baggage and papers with the defeat of Gen. Gates. (2 pages)

**Folder 22**

31 May 1793

ALS Edward Stevens, Culpeper Court House, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses copies of the surviving 24 letters he exchanged with Jefferson

during Stevens' military service in the American Revolution (no enclosures included). (2 pages)

**Folder 23**

2 June 1793

ALS James Sullivan, Boston, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks on behalf of his friend Mr. de L'Etombe, the consul to France for the state of Massachusetts. Although L'Etombe supports the French Revolution, he has fallen out of favor with the current French government and Sullivan believes Jefferson can convince the French government otherwise. (2 pages)

**Folder 24**

July 1793

AL Thomas Jefferson. Extract of a letter from M. de Vergennes to the charge des affaires to the United States for France regarding "Proofs of the Machiavellianism of Duplicity of the Cabinet of Versailles." (1 page, press copy, in French)

July 1793

AD Thomas Jefferson. Extract from a letter or speech on "Proof of Machiavellianism in the Duplicity of the Cabinet of Versailles." (1 page, press copy, in French) (See John Catanzariti, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 26, pp. 476-479.)

**Folder 25**

26 Aug 1793

AD Jefferson's account with Robert Cary & Co., 1774-1793. (2 pages)  
**Oversize**

**Folder 26**

19 Sept 1793

ALS Patrick Kennan, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a copy of Kennan's account with Mr. [William] Short. (2 pages)

Enclosure: 18 September 1793, DS Patrick Kennan. Account with Mr. Short. (1 page) **Oversize**

**Folder 27**

20 Nov 1793

ALS Patrick Kennan, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding financial accounts. (2 pages)

**Folder 28**

22 Jan 1794

ALS Robert Leslie, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Unable to alter Jefferson's watch agreeable to his directions and speaks of a watch begun for Miss Jefferson. (2 pages)

**Folder 29**

16 Aug 1794

Translation copy of an ALS Josef de Jaudenes, New York, to Edmund Randolph. No progress has been made in the negotiations between the United States and Spain due to the insufficient power delegated to



William Carmichael and William Short. A true copy by George Taylor, Jr. (4 pages)

**Folder 30**

19 Nov 1794

AD Resolution for Senate. Consent to advise the president to ratify the Treaty of Amity, Commerce, and Navigation concluded in London on 19 November 1794. (2 pages)

**Folder 31**

18 Feb 1795

ALS Daniel Carroll, Gustavus Scott, William Thornton, city of Washington, to George Washington. Regarding the education of youth; are glad that Washington's views on the founding of a university are consistent with their ideas. (4 pages)

**Folder 32**

17 May 1796

ALS Alexandre Lerebours, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. He has come to America for the purpose of making known some of the useful discoveries of his country. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 33**

22 May 1796

ALS William Thornton, Georgetown, to Thomas Jefferson. Discusses the founding of a national university in Georgetown. (2 pages)

**Folder 34**

20 June 1796

ALS Jonathan Williams, Mount Pleasant on Schuylkill, to Thomas Jefferson. Concerns Williams' barometrical journal over some of the mountains in Virginia and wants to know if Jefferson's data supports his calculations. (2 pages)

**Folder 35**

22 Aug 1796

ALS Wakelyn Welch, London, to Thomas Jefferson. The death of his father necessitates the settling of Jefferson's accounts with Robert Cary & Co. (2 pages)

22 Aug 1796

ADS Wakelyn Welch to Thomas Jefferson. Lists account of Jefferson with Robert Cary & Co. (2 pages)

**Folder 36**

8 Feb 1797

ALS Robert Pleasants, Curles, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes about an act passed concerning free (public) schools. (2 pages)

**Folder 37**

31 Mar 1797

ALS Wilhem Jan Willink, Amsterdam, to Thomas Jefferson. Congratulates Jefferson on his election as vice-president. (2 pages)

**Folder 38**

- 18 May 1797 ALS John Oliver, Bordentown, to Thomas Jefferson. His son has developed a machine of perpetual motion. (2 pages)
- Folder 39**  
4 June 1797 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Philadelphia, to Wakelyn Welch. Regrets hearing of the death of Mr. Welch's father and says his account was settled in the general settlement of the debt of the late Mr. Wayles. (2 pages, press copy)
- Folder 40**  
30 June 1797 ALS W.H. Van Hasselt, Charleston, South Carolina, to Thomas Jefferson. He came to America in 1781 from Gilderland, one of the states of the Batavian Republic, is well educated, and would like to act as a tutor for any of Jefferson's young children. (4 pages)
- Folder 41**  
30 June 1797 ALS Liancourt to Thomas Jefferson. Introduces a friend who is leaving France for Philadelphia. (2 pages, in French)
- Folder 42**  
31 July 1797 ALS Delamotte, Havre, to Thomas Jefferson. Congratulates him on his vice-presidency, hopes that France will soon make peace with England, and believes that the success of peace rests with the arrival of the American commissioners. (4 pages, in French) (See Barbara B. Oberg, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 29, p. 485.)
- Folder 43**  
20 Aug 1797 ALS Allen Jones, Mount Gallant, to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks him for the bread tree seeds and discusses the growing of bread fruit and other plants. (2 pages, partial transcription included)
- Folder 44**  
30 Jan 1798 ALS Liancourt, Hambourg, to Thomas Jefferson. Assumes that Jefferson has already read about events published in papers and speaks of the grand alarm among French citizens and predicts the coming of a new epoch. (2 pages, in French) (See Barbara B. Oberg, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 30, p. 65.)
- Folder 45**  
22 Mar 1798 AL Le Chevalier d'Yrujo to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a passport for Jefferson's friend, Mr. Kanberg. (2 pages)
- Folder 46**  
24 Mar 1798 AL De La Tombe, le consul general to Thomas Jefferson. Sends the requested passport. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 47**

28 Mar 1798

AL Robert Liston to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a passport for Mr. Kanberg (no enclosure included). (2 pages)

**Folder 48**

19 Apr 1798

AL J. Wagner to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding a patent for Mr. Martin's threading machine. (1 page)

**Folder 49**

15 May 1798

ALS James Lewis, Jr., Fredsg [Fredericksburg], to Thomas Jefferson. Introduces a young man, Mr. James Walker, "a relation, a fellow thinker and laborer in the cause of equality," who is staying in Philadelphia. (2 pages)

**Folder 50**

1799

AN extracts of debits and credits from Jefferson's account book in his hand. (2 pages)

**Folder 51**

19 Feb 1799

ALS Thomas Lomax, Port Tobago, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes at the request of Mr. Robert Baylor concerning the rental of Jefferson's property, Elk Hill. (2 pages)

**Folder 52**

4 May 1799

ALS Liancourt, Amsterdam, to Thomas Jefferson. Introduces a friend. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 53**

1 Jan 1800

ANS Thomas Jefferson to Tenche Coxe. Encloses an order for Mr. Barnes for \$113 and encloses a watch key that Jefferson believes Coxe lost yesterday. (2 pages)

**Folder 54**

13 Feb 1800

ALS Samuel Miller, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Transmits the copy of a disclosure that Miller delivered on the occasion of the death of President Washington. (2 pages)

**Folder 55**

18 Mar 1800

AL G.I. Parkyns to Thomas Jefferson. Asks for any observations Jefferson may have regarding a series of paintings in Mr. Leiper's withdrawing room. (2 pages)

**Folder 56**

30 Jan 1801

ALS James Sloan to Thomas Jefferson, city of Washington. Congratulates Jefferson upon "the resurrection of the spirit that once stimulated the inhabitants of the colonies of North America" to assert

their right to freedom. (4 pages)

**Folder 57**

9 Feb 1801

AL Le Chevalier d'Yrujo to Thomas Jefferson. Asks to attend the meeting of Congress the day after tomorrow as the results of the meeting promise to be highly pleasant to him. (2 pages)

**Folder 58**

12 Feb 1801

ALS Nathaniel Niles, West Fairlee, Vermont, to Thomas Jefferson, Washington. Congratulates his country on having Jefferson for president and hopes the Federal party will shrink to "a mere skeleton, forsaken of its flesh and its sinews." (4 pages)

**Folder 59**

19 Feb 1801

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Thomas Whately. Writes about building a nail shop at Monticello. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 60**

19 Feb 1801

Pamphlet titled "Report of the Committee Appointed to Enquire into the Official Conduct of Winthrop Sargent, Governor of the Mississippi Territory." Hand-written note on back reads, "On the Question that the House do agree to that Resolution, it passed in the Negative—but it being one of the last days of the Session, no further order was taken on the subject." (9 pages)

**Folder 61**

22 Feb 1801

ALS Israel Israel, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson, Washington. Offers congratulations on the triumph of the principles of republicanism. (2 pages, translation included)

**Folder 62**

24 Feb 1801

ALS Thomas Lewis, Jr., of Thomas Lewis & Sons, Boston, to Thomas Jefferson. Congratulates Jefferson on his presidency and requests help concerning three of his vessels taken by the French before the treaty. (4 pages)

Enclosure: undated newspaper clipping that reads, in part, "Yesterday arrived in town, via St. Thomas's Captain Josiah Bacon, late master of ship hope belonging to T. Lewis & Son, laden with provisions, bound to Barbadoes was taken, and condemned at Guadaloupe."

**Folder 63**

28 Feb 1801

ALS John VanMetre, Berkeley County, to Thomas Jefferson. Acknowledges the receipt of Jefferson's letter dated 4 September 1800, and apologizes for its publication. VanMetre believed that its content concerning "the Cause" was important enough to be read by his friends

who share the same sentiments. (4 pages)

**Folder 64**

28 Feb 1801 ALS Thomas Whitelaw [Whitlaw?], Albemarle, to Thomas Jefferson. Will be happy to serve for Jefferson as soon as his business at hand is completed. (2 pages)

**BOX 4: March 1801–1802**

**Folder 1**

9 Mar 1801 ALS George Taylor, mayor of Alexandria, to Thomas Jefferson. Invites Jefferson to partake in a public dinner at his earliest convenience. (2 pages)

**Folder 2**

18 Mar 1801 ALS Le Chevalier d'Yrujo, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Jefferson's cook has gone to Havana; asks if Jefferson has heard officially of the changes in the Spanish cabinet. (2 pages)

**Folder 3**

19 Mar 1801 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Le Chevalier d'Yrujo. Thanks him for his friendly endeavor to procure him a "minister of the kitchen." (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 4**

22 Mar 1801 ALS Salimbeni, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. He is employed by Messr. de Talleyrand and is to be named "Commissioner of Commercial Relations" to the United States. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 5**

31 Mar 1801 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Col. Little. Inquires about a road Jefferson wishes to be built from Washington to Slaterun Church and that he is setting out on horseback tomorrow for Monticello. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 6**

8 Apr 1801 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to J.W. Eppes, Bermuda Hundred, near City Point. Has safely arrived at Monticello and speaks of the impending marriage of Nancy Jefferson to Charles Lewis. Jefferson informs Eppes that the British government has promised to suppress all their courts of admiralty in the United States and establish two new ones in Jamaica and the Windward Islands and "to send out men of good character as judges and give them independent salaries." (2 pages)

**Folder 7**

17 Apr 1801 ALS Thomas Sumter, Stateburgh, to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks him for

the appointment proposed to Sumter's son and says his son will answer to accept the position shortly. (6 pages)

**Folder 8**

20 Apr 1801

ALS Colin C. Wills, Alexandria, District of Columbia, to Thomas Jefferson. He is a brush maker and is unable to carry on his trade for want of material. He asks Jefferson for a pecuniary office or to be employed as one of Jefferson's domestic servants. (2 pages)

**Folder 9**

20 Apr 1801

ALS Thomas Sumter, Jr., Stateburgh, to Thomas Jefferson. Accepts the appointment as secretary of legation and asks if he could postpone his arrival at the seat of government until the middle of June. (3 pages)

**Folder 10**

7 May 1801

ALS Joseph Moss White to Thomas Jefferson. Since Jefferson's inauguration "the tongue of slander has become almost mute and the feelings of even the good people of the state of Connecticut appear to be sweetened towards you." (2 pages)

**Folder 11**

11 May 1801

ALS Colin C. Wills, Alexandria, to Thomas Jefferson. Presents a bound set of one year's worth of the *Baltimore American*. (2 pages)

**Folder 12**

21 May 1801

ALS Winthrop Sargent, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. He just arrived from the Mississippi Territory and transmits a handbill with important intelligence. (2 pages)

**Folder 13**

14 June 1801

ALS Contesse Noailles de Tesse [the aunt of the Marquis de LaFayette] to Thomas Jefferson. She has had the pleasure of speaking of Jefferson with Mr. Short and that although she remains in exile due to the revolution she lacks none of the necessities of life. (4 pages, in French, translation included)

**Folder 14**

20 July 1801

ALS Robert Smith, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson. The health of one of his sons demands his attention and after taking his son and wife to Sulphur Spring in York County, Pennsylvania, he will return to Washington. (2 pages)

**Folder 15**

28 July 1801

ALS J. Lewis, Georgetown, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of the embarrassment he has been through and requests a commission to a consulate that offers more advantage than the post at Calais. (4 pages)

**Folder 16**

29 July 1801 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Valentine White. Has referred White's letter to the secretary of the treasury; will set off tomorrow to spend August and September at Monticello. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 17**

1 Aug 1801 Circular titled "Constitution of the Printing and Book-Selling Company." Includes rules on the printing and selling of books in the city of Washington and to promote "the general diffusion of literature." (4 pages)

**Folder 18**

10 Aug 1801 ALS John Thomson, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a pamphlet for his perusal. (2 pages)

28 Aug 1801 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Thomas Willing. Recommends, as a private citizen and not as the president, Mr. Hanson for the position of cashier in the new branch bank to be opened in Washington. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 19**

15 Sept 1801 ALS Thomas Willing to Thomas Jefferson. Explains why it was necessary to appoint Mr. Davidson as cashier instead of Jefferson's recommendation, Mr. Hanson. (4 pages)

**Folder 20**

18 Sept 1801 ALS John Syme, Rocky Mills, to Thomas Jefferson. Discusses politics and says he was depressed four years ago but enjoyed the last session of Congress. "I [perceive] the dust kicked up whenever you dismiss a Federal culprit." He says that he has been told Jefferson is in need of horses and that he has a pair "superior to any I ever saw." (2 pages)

**Folder 21**

1 Oct 1801 ALS Lewis Osmont to Thomas Jefferson. Offers his congratulations, and discusses his financial difficulties. (4 pages) **Oversize**

**Folder 22**

29 Oct 1801 DS Samuel Burnett. Transcription copy of an affidavit signed by Peter Catonnet, J.T. Lawrence, and Wilson Hunter dated 22-25 April 1801 certifying that Lewis Osmont is a person of integrity and uprightness. (2 pages) **Oversize** (enclosure: 1 October 1801)

29 Oct 1801 DS Samuel Burnett. Affidavit signed by Leighton and John Burnett dated 15 September 1801 certifying Osmont's character. (2 pages) **Oversize** [enclosure: 1 October 1801]

**Folder 23**

4 Oct 1801

AL Samuel H. Smith to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a letter that was thought to be unimportant but Smith decided to send it to Jefferson for his approval. (2 pages)

**Folder 24**

6 Oct 1801

ALS Le Chevalier d'Yrujo, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Marked "private." He has been informed through his court that Jefferson's demands have been agreed to by the king. (2 pages)

**Folder 25**

6 Oct 1801

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Col. John Syme. Thanks Syme for his attention but he is already supplied with horses. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 26**

6 Oct 1801

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Thomas Willing. He is satisfied with the reasons given in favor of the appointment of Mr. Davidson. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 27**

1 Nov 1801

ALS Lediard Seymour, Havana, to Thomas Jefferson. Seymour is in Havana rendering to his fellow citizens "such assistance as the laws and usages of an allied nation allow." (4 pages)

**Folder 28**

15 Nov 1801

ALS James Workman, Alexandria, to Thomas Jefferson. Marked "private." Advises the United States to take Louisiana and Florida because "the command and navigation of the Mississippi would forever secure to the Union the Western States." (4 pages)

**Folder 29**

2 Dec 1801

AL Thomas Jefferson to John Thomson. Thanks him for his book on freedom of the press. (2 pages, press copy)

4 Dec 1801

AL Thomas Jefferson to James Workman. Thanks him for the pamphlet, which he shall read with pleasure. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 30**

14 Dec 1801

ALS F. Soules to Thomas Jefferson. Talks about France after the revolution and believes the French to be "too hot-headed and too vain ever to be free." (6 pages)

**Folder 31**

circa 1802

ADS a memorandum from Jefferson. Requesting that he be furnished with a bill or order to pay \$1000 for books in London and Amsterdam



that are being purchased for the Library of Congress. (1 page) (See documents dated 16 July 1802 regarding purchases for the Library of Congress.)

**Folder 32**

[1802]

Circular titled "Bill of Mortality for Portsmouth, New Hampshire, for A.D. 1801" by Lyman Spalding. Lists the total number of deaths, causes, and ages for January to December of 1801. (1 page)

[1802]

AL Le Chevalier d'Yrujo to Thomas Jefferson. Concerns champagne and Madeira. (2 pages)

**Folder 33**

9 Jan 1802

ALS Thomas Jefferson to Samuel A. Otis. Issued a commission to John S. Sherburne of New Hampshire to be attorney for that district and by mistake incorrectly copied the middle initial. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 34**

24 Feb 1802

ALS Hugh White, Beaver County, to Thomas Jefferson. Received Jefferson's answer to the address of the aliens of Beaver County, and asks for the publication of the address and the answer in any of the Republican papers. The letter includes a transcript in White's hand of a note from Jefferson dated 2 May 1801 in which he apologizes for the delay of his answer. (4 pages)

**Folder 35**

8 Mar 1802

ALS James Walter, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks permission to call the town he proposes to lay out in Randolph County, Virginia, "Jefferson." (2 pages)

**Folder 36**

19 Mar 1802

ALS Thomas Jefferson to James Walter. Thanks Walter for the honor but states that his name has already been given by an act of the Virginia legislature to a small town on the James River. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 37**

14 Apr 1802

ALS Edward Stevens, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Introduction for Mr. Herbert, who has invented a new mode of applying steam to cure certain disorders. (2 pages)

**Folder 38**

1 May 1802

ALS Contesse Noailles de Tesse to Thomas Jefferson. She was visited by Mr. Short and her situation remains the same. (3 pages, in French)

9 May 1802

ALS Thomas Jefferson to Gen. Thomas Sumpter. Inquires about a proper character to appoint in South Carolina as commissioner of

bankruptcy. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 39**

7 June 1802 ALS Josiah Smith, Pembroke, Plymouth County, Massachusetts, to Thomas Jefferson. Complains of the insolence of the government officers collecting duties in Massachusetts and recommends Henry Warren, son of Gen. James Warren, as collector at the Port of Plymouth. (2 pages)

13 June 1802 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Thomas Whitney. Asks a question concerning optical astronomical instruments. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 40**

20 June 1802 ALS Lequinio Kerblay, Newport, Rhode Island, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses two letters, one from Gen. LaFayette and one from the Duke of Liancourt. (no enclosures included) (2 pages, in French)

22 June 1802 ALS Thomas Jefferson to George Washington Varnum. Says he will give his letter to Gen. Dearborn but Jefferson does not believe there to be a single lieutenancy position available. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 41**

15 July 1802 ALS Lequinio Kerblay, Newport, Rhode Island, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a copy of his work that was published, and says he will do all in his power to merit Jefferson's approbation. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 42**

16 July 1802 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to William Short. Asks Short to superintend the purchase of books for the use of Congress and states that Mr. [William] Duane has been employed to import books from Paris and London. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 43**

16 July 1802 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to George W. Erving. Asks Erving to superintend the purchase of books for Congress. Jefferson states, "We wish for good editions, not pompous ones; neat bindings, but not splendid." (2 page, press copy)

**Folder 44**

16 July 1802 AD Thomas Jefferson. Extract from Jefferson's letters to Mr. Short and Mr. Erving regarding the purchase of books for Congress. (see previous letters) (1 page, press copy)

**Folder 45**

16 July 1802 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to the secretary of the treasury [Albert Gallatin]. Encloses the letters that he has written to Short and

Erving and asks the secretary to insert in them the bills of exchange before forwarding the letters. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 46**

16 July 1802

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Mr. [William] Duane. Encloses catalogues of the books to be imported for Congress. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 47**

19 July 1802

ADS Thomas Jefferson. List of books to be purchased for the Library of Congress by Mr. [William] Duane in Paris and London. (8 pages) (Two of the three sheets in this folder contain Jefferson's signature. These two are the lists for purchases in London and Paris and the third sheet appears to be a later list with the total price paid and check marks next to book titles that were not on the other two lists.)

**Folder 48**

19 July 1802

ALS Samuel Stephens, Dublin, to Thomas Jefferson. Hopes that he may be preserved from all false glory and sends some pamphlets as a token of his regard. (4 pages)

**Folder 49**

25 July 1802

ALS Thomas Underwood, Jr., Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Calls attention to the fact that the loan officer of Virginia, John Hopkins, keeps one clerk and pays him the salary intended for two. (2 pages)

**Folder 50**

31 July 1802

ALS Lequinio Kerblay, Newport, Rhode Island, to Thomas Jefferson. Thinks a visit to Washington would be worthwhile for him and hopes that America and France will remain friends. (4 pages)

**Folder 51**

11 Aug 1802

ANS Joseph Nourse, Treasury Department, Register's Office. Gives the names and salaries of clerks employed by John Hopkins, commissioner of loans for Virginia (Thomas Taylor and William Dandridge at 500 per annum each). (2 pages)

**Folder 52**

13 Aug 1802

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Judge Bushrod Washington. Encloses a letter addressed to the judge, which Jefferson opened by mistake. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 53**

8 Sept 1802

ALS Josiah Smith, Pembroke, to Thomas Jefferson. He never wrote the letter referred to by Jefferson in his last letter. (2 pages)

**Folder 54**

20 Sept 1802 ALS Samuel Stephens to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a pamphlet that may help to make clear the causes of the great migration from Ireland to America. (2 pages)

**Folder 55**

24 Sept 1802 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Josiah Smith. Speaks of various recommendations for commissioners of bankruptcy. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 56**

28 Sept 1802 ALS Nicholas Norris, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends an unspecified enclosure. (no enclosure included) (2 pages)

**Folder 57**

22 Oct 1802 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Gen. Thomas Sumpter. His son-in-law Thomas M. Randolph is contemplating the establishment of a cotton plantation in Georgia and proposes to take some of his slaves as well. Jefferson wants to know if South Carolina, which prohibits the importation of slaves, will allow Randolph to pass through with his slaves. (2 pages, in press copy)

24 Oct 1802

ALS John Oakley, justice of the peace, Washington, D.C., to Thomas Jefferson. Sends his apologies and says that he has been so busy that he "has four constables to wait on him before breakfast!" Also encloses a letter from Mr. Stoddert regarding the Potomac River subscription. (no enclosure included). (2 pages)

**Folder 58**

2 Nov 1802 ALS G. Vanleer, Woodbury, New Jersey, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of the election in New Jersey that went in favor of the Federalists. As a result, the Federalists have a majority in the assembly and the Republicans in the council. Also speaks of the naturalization laws that Vanleer wants amended. (4 pages)

**Folder 59**

19 Nov 1802 ALS Arsenne Thiebaut to Thomas Jefferson. Writes on behalf of the widow of the artist Ceracchi, chosen by the United States to commemorate the American Revolution in a lasting monument. She and her six children are in dire want. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 60**

20 Nov 1802 AL Le Chevalier d'Yrujo, Capitol Hill, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends two hampers of champagne, which he trusts may be as good as their reputation. (2 pages)

**Folder 61**

21 Nov 1802 ALS Lequinio Kerblay, Newport, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes to present his respects. (2 pages)

**Folder 62**

9 Dec 1802 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Robert Bailey. Sends list of seeds and plants, which he desires to have collected and boxed for a friend in France. The list is included at the bottom of the page. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 63**

21 Dec 1802 ALS La Rochefoucauld-Liancourt to Thomas Jefferson. Requests a personal recommendation. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 64**

30 Dec 1802 ALS Le Chevalier d'Yrujo, Capitol Hill, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a new supply of champagne and requests the favor of "another dozen of your excellent Madeira." (2 pages)

**BOX 5: 1803–July 1805****Folder 1**

[1803] AN. Receipt for breakage of champagne bottles sent to Thomas Jefferson by Fulwar Skipwith. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 2**

9 Jan 1803 ALS El Marquis de Casa Yrujo to Thomas Jefferson. He has been granted a "title Castille" under the denomination of Marquis of Casa Yrujo and assures Jefferson "that the same sentiments of affection and respect which the Chevalier d'Yrujo has always entertained towards you will be kept alive." (2 pages)

**Folder 3**

21 Jan 1803 ALS James A. Stewart, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a report of the Committee of Congress that hurt Stewart personally because of the blow struck by the British and the French concerning navigation of the United States. A retired seaman, he proposes a plan for avoiding these obstructions. (4 pages)

**Folder 4**

3 Feb 1803 ALS Joseph Stokes to Thomas Jefferson. Has invented a machine that "can work against the currents in rivers." Stokes has not yet built a model because of the uncertainty of obtaining a patent. (2 pages)

**Folder 5**

8 Feb 1803 ALS Thomas Hobbes Scott, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Congratulates Jefferson on his accession in government and encloses a

small pamphlet for Mr. Paine. (2 pages)

**Folder 6**

22 Apr 1803

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Wilson C. Nicholas. Mentions the offices to be filled under the Mississippi law and says that it would be considered a duty to give any of Nicholas' nephews a preference over other candidates of equal qualifications. Speaks of the cession of Louisiana to the French. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 7**

25 Apr 1803

ALS John Turner, Brunswick, Georgia, to Thomas Jefferson. Has just been commissioned as collector of customs and inspector of revenue for the District of Brunswick and he will make it his highest ambition to merit Jefferson's approval. (2 pages)

**Folder 8**

21 May 1803

ALS H.B. Scudamore, Brockley Hall, Lewisham, to Thomas Jefferson. Submits a plan for establishing an office in the city of Washington for registering real and personal property. The plan and observations are included in the first two pages. (4 pages)

**Folder 9**

17 June 1803

ALS Samuel Smith, Salisbury, Connecticut, to Thomas Jefferson, city of Washington. Congratulates Jefferson on his office with a long religious discourse. "Thy enemies assert that thou art a Deist and thy Friends that thou art a Christian, but thy conduct demonstrates to me that thou art suitable for the office that thou fillest." (4 pages)

**Folder 10**

20 June 1803

ALS William Kilty and John P. Van Ness to Thomas Jefferson. Request Jefferson's presence at a public dinner to be given by the citizens of Washington on July 4. (2 pages)

**Folder 11**

20 June 1803

AL Thomas Jefferson to Capt. Thomas Tingey. Asks about the mode of keeping his bank account because Jefferson would like to be allowed to overdraw in emergencies without giving a note. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 12**

28 June 1803

AL J. Wagner to Thomas Jefferson. Returns the German letter and pamphlet that proposes a method of preserving wood from fire and decay, of rendering roofs fireproof, and of preventing reservoirs from freezing in the winter. (2 pages)

**Folder 13**

16 July 1803

Printed proclamation assembling Congress in special session on

Monday, October 17. (1 page)

18 July 1803 DS James Madison. Circular transmitting a proclamation informing Congress that a special session is being convened to ratify a treaty with France involving the cession of Louisiana. (3 pages)

**Folder 14**

22 Aug 1803 ALS Richard Willson, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Proposes to open a national coffee house and hotel on Capitol Hill and is soliciting funds for the purpose. (3 pages)

**Folder 15**

23 Sept 1803 ALS William Kirkpatrick, Malaga, to Thomas Jefferson. States that he has shipped some wine to him in care of James Madison, including Old Mountain or Malaga Wine vintage 1747, and assures Jefferson that they are rarities not to be met with in America. (2 pages)

**Folder 16**

29 Sep 1803 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Mr. S. Snowden. Encloses \$100 for “the use of those among you afflicted with the present sickness” and requests that no acknowledgment of his gift be made in the papers or otherwise. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 17**

30 Oct 1803 ALS Horatio G. Spafford, Canaan, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Describes in great detail his invention for a close fireplace. (4 pages)

**Folder 18**

31 Oct 1803 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Madame de Tesse. His gardener has packaged some seeds for her that will be sent out tomorrow to the U.S. consul at Lorient. The list of seeds is included in the text of the letter. (3 pages, press copy)

**Folder 19**

4 Nov 1803 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Aaron Vale. Wants him to send a letter and a small box to Mr. Livingston and a box of plant seeds to Madame de Tesse. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 20**

8 Nov 1803 Newspaper clipping. Petition of David Valenzin, a Jewish Venetian merchant seized in the Mediterranean and brought to America to be tried and judged as a Tripoline. (1 page) **Oversize**

**Folder 21**

28 Nov 1803 ALS Park Woodward, New London, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of yellow fever and attributes it to the moral transgression of owning

slaves due to the fact that few Negroes suffer from the fever. Woodward wants the slaves appraised, paid for out of the public chest, and emancipated. (4 pages)

**Folder 22**

1804

ALS G.F. Saltonstall to Thomas Jefferson. Submits a plan of air pipes and bellows for supplying families “with perfumed and salubrious air for respiration.” (1 page)

**Folder 23**

7 Jan 1804

ALS Walter Saltonstall, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson, city of Washington. Writes offering his services as an English teacher to be sent among the peoples of other tongues inhabiting the newly acquired territories. (4 pages)

**Folder 24**

28 Jan 1804

ALS Lemuel Sessums, University of North Carolina, to Thomas Jefferson, city of Washington. Requests to have his brother Roderick Sessums released from military service at Ft. Adams on account of the age of his parents who wish to see their son once more before death. (4 pages)

**Folder 25**

30 Jan 1804

ALS William Thomson, Manchester, to Thomas Jefferson. Presents a small book written by his brother John Thomson of Petersburg. (2 pages)

**Folder 26**

11 Feb 1804

Extract from a letter from Philadelphia. Jefferson sent the letter to Gen. Sumpter for his private information concerning Mr. Burr and P. Butler. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 27**

12 Feb 1804

AL Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Solomon Sessums. Says that the discharge of their son is a reasonable indulgence for the government to make and has been accordingly ordered. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 28**

13 Feb 1804

ADS A. Vail. Receipt for delivery of two boxes (one to Madame de Tesse and one to Mr. R.R. Livingston). (2 pages)

**Folder 29**

13 Feb 1804

ALS Cato West, town of Washington, Mississippi Territory, to Thomas Jefferson. Explains his position in regard to furnishing forage to the horses of the Tennessee Regiment of Volunteers. (4 pages)



**Folder 30**

2 Mar 1804 ALS Felis S. Wanleja, Coquimbo, Chile, to Thomas Jefferson. (4 pages, in Spanish, translation included)

**Folder 31**

10 Apr 1804 ALS Madame Noailles de Tesse, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Nature has allowed her tastes to change with her fortune. Before the French Revolution, she disdained the cultivation of vegetables, but when she had to see to her household duties herself, she spent most of her time in the kitchen or garden. Now in a more prosperous state, she has rediscovered her old tastes. (4 pages, in French, translation included)

29 Apr 1804 ALS Madame Noailles de Tesse, Aulnay, to Thomas Jefferson. She lives in incertitude but reassures Jefferson that she is living well. (3 pages, in French, translation included)

**Folder 32**

3 May 1804 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Wilson C. Nicholas. Thanks Nicholas for his sympathies and he will write to Mr. Gallatin regarding the matter of the commission. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 33**

15 June 1804 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Gen. Skinner. He will receive his commission on or before July 3. (2 pages, polygraph) (This is the first polygraph copy in the collection.)

29 June 1804 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Col. Vandeval. Regards the safe conveyance of a delicate pocket instrument which "cannot come safely but in the pocket of a passenger." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 34**

9 July 1804 ANS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Thomas Whitney. Encloses a bank draft for payment of a bill for instruments "furnished to Isaac Triggs partly for him & partly for myself." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 35**

17 July 1804 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Cato West, Esq. Asks West to deliver an unspecified enclosure to Mr. Dunbar at Natchez but if he has departed up the Red River send it by express. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 36**

20 July 1804 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Col. Richard Kennon. Offers Kennon an appointment as commandant with the rank of colonel at St. Charles, St. Louis, Ste. Genevieve, or New Madrid under the act of Congress to establish a government in the Louisiana Territory. The positions "should be filled with persons who may blend with great

prudence the duties civil & military annexed to the office.” (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 37**

20 July 1804

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Gen. Sumpter. Appoints Maj. Thomas Fitzpatrick to the commission for settling land claims in the Mississippi Territory. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 38**

5 Aug 1804

ALS Richard Kennon, Finnie Wood, Mecklenburg County, to Thomas Jefferson. Accepts appointment as colonel provided he may have time to equip himself and make certain necessary domestic arrangements. (2 pages) (See also letter dated 20 July 1804.)

**Folder 39**

8 Aug 1804

ALS James Leonard, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. He has returned with public dispatches and letters from Robert Livingston. The papers are accompanied by the tables of “Volney” on the soil and climate of the United States. (2 pages)

**Folder 40**

11 Aug 1804

ALS Cato West, Mississippi Territory, to Thomas Jefferson. Has delivered Jefferson’s letter to Mr. Dunbar. (2 pages) (See also letter dated 17 July 1804.)

**Folder 41**

14 Aug 1804

ALS Arthur O’Connor, Brest, France, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends an article he has written on the present state of Great Britain. (2 pages)

**Folder 42**

15 Aug 1804

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Lt. Leonard. Thanks Leonard for the care he took in the delivery of his letters in Paris. (2 pages, press copy)

**Folder 43**

17 Aug 1804

ALS Madame Noailles de Tesse, Aulnay, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of Mr. Livingston’s departure for America and of her nephew, the Marquis de LaFayette. She discusses her garden, the trees, and the magnolias sent to her by Jefferson. (4 pages, in French, translation included)

**Folder 44**

25 Sept 1804

AD Thomas Jefferson. Memorandum giving a list of letters communicated to him by the Marquis de Casa Yrujo. (1 page)

**Folder 45**

- 20 Oct 1804 ALS Charles Smith, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a translation of a work that, in Smith's opinion, "does credit to Dr. Bunkhard." (no enclosure included) (2 pages)
- Folder 46**  
10 Nov 1804 ALS Larkin Smith, King & Queen [County], to Thomas Jefferson. He is upset that neither of his two letters have received attention and adds that he will probably be chosen elector for his state in which case he will vote for Jefferson as president. (4 pages)
- Folder 47**  
15 Nov 1804 AL [author unknown], Washington, near the Six Buildings, to Thomas Jefferson. Requests help for the widow Noland, "a resident near the Six Buildings," and her three children. (3 pages)
- Folder 48**  
23 Nov 1804 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Mrs. [Elizabeth] Trist. Sympathizes with her melancholy situation. (2 pages, polygraph)
- Folder 49**  
26 Nov 1804 ALS B. de Salimbeni to Thomas Jefferson. Expresses his esteem and attachment for Jefferson. (2 pages, in French)
- Folder 50**  
7 Dec 1804 ANS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Charles Smith. Presents his compliments and thanks Smith for the volume of Dr. Bunkhard, which appears to be "a very interesting view of the analogies of nature." (2 pages, polygraph)
- Folder 51**  
17 Dec 1804 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to N.M. Lewis. Encloses a letter to Capt. Jared Mansfield, surveyor general in Indiana, which will address Lewis' wishes as expressed in his letter of 26 October. Jefferson also mentions that he has no information on Lewis' friends in his neighborhood. (2 pages, polygraph)
- Folder 52**  
17 Dec 1804 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Dr. Turpin. The registers and receivers at Vincennes and Kaskaskia have been commissioned, and encloses a letter for Mr. Briggs, the surveyor general. Also discusses the market for black lead in Europe. (2 pages, polygraph)
- Folder 53**  
18 Dec 1804 ALS Lewis Waugh, King George County, Virginia, to Thomas Jefferson. A friend has just returned from exploring the Louisiana Territory and wonders if it would "be safe in risking our fortunes in

that desirable country.” (2 pages)

**Folder 54**

20 Dec 1804

ALS Larkin Smith, King & Queen [County], to Thomas Jefferson. “I have long foreseen the painfull embarrassment attendant on making appointments, and with great reluctance obtrude myself on the Government as an applicant for office.” (2 pages)

**Folder 55**

26 Dec 1804

ANS Thomas Jefferson to Gen. Stanton. Presents his compliments and states that his opinion of Governor Fenner is respectful and full of confidence. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 56**

31 Dec 1804

ALS John Woodberry, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Forced to leave Philadelphia for Washington to avoid an expensive lawsuit and now finds himself without money to return home and offers his services as a painter. (2 pages)

**Folder 57**

1 Jan 1805

ALS Joshua Wingate, Jr., Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. He presented his resignation as brigade major and inspector of the militia of the District of Columbia to General John Mason. (2 pages)

6 Jan 1805

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Lewis Waugh. Replies that no land office has been established in Upper Louisiana and no one is permitted to settle on public lands. Jefferson suggests the country of Kaskaskia is equal in all circumstances and much safer. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 58**

4 Feb 1805

AL William Kirkpatrick, Malaga, to Richard O’Brian. Encloses six clay figures to be sent to Jefferson by boat which Kirkpatrick hopes will merit Jefferson’s approbation. (4 pages)

**Folder 59**

11 Feb 1805

ALS Henry Warren, Plymouth, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends Jefferson a half barrel of cod aboard Captain Paine’s schooner *Nightingale*. (2 pages)

**Folder 60**

28 Feb 1805

ALS Bernard Johnson and Isaac Suares, Charleston, South Carolina, to Thomas Jefferson. Petition to release them from a fine which had been imposed because they were charged with outfitting a vessel contrary to the laws of the United States; a charge for which they have served their term of imprisonment. (4 pages)

**Folder 61**

28 Feb 1805

ALS John Stewart, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Will be leaving Congress after 15 years of service to return to Pennsylvania; also lodges a complaint against the postmaster general for an unauthorized change of the western mail. (4 pages)

**Folder 62**

5 Mar 1805

ALS John Stewart, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Complains that the postmaster general does not send mail on the York to Carlisle post road, which is required by law. (2 pages)

**Folder 63**

10 Mar 1805

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Madame de Tesse. Apologizes for not sending another collection of plants and seeds but the harbors have been frozen in the severest winter they have known for twenty years. Speaks of his "inexpressible misfortune" with the death of his youngest daughter. Jefferson wishes to retire after four years but wonders if he will have any family to which to retire. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 64**

11 Mar 1805

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Henry Warren. Presents his compliments and thanks him for the favor "which he doubts not will arrive in due time." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 65**

14 Mar 1805

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Peter Kuhn, consul of the United States at Genoa. Asks Kuhn to obtain 200 bottles of Nebioule wine from Turin and to make sure that they are in "strong bottles, well corked & cemented." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 66**

7 May 1805

DS Thomas Herty, register of the city of Washington, D.C. License granted to Thomas Jefferson to use one chariot, two phaetons, and one gig in the city of Washington. (2 pages)

**Folder 67**

14 May 1805

ALS Josiah Wyatt, Newbury Port, to Thomas Jefferson. Has "been in irons for the truth's sake four years without bed or fire" and during his incarceration his house was opened by the orders of Judge Smith to the selectmen of Newbury Port, Portsmouth, and Exeter. Wyatt asks Jefferson for justice. (4 pages)

**Folder 68**

19 May 1805

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to William Tunnicliff. Adds a protracting parallel ruler to the other mathematical articles to be

procured in London. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 69**

10 June 1805 AD Samuel Eddy. Resolution to establish a marine hospital for the relief of sick and disabled seamen in Rhode Island. True copy signed by Samuel Eddy. (2 pages)

27 June 1805 ALS Samuel Overton to Thomas Jefferson. He is setting out for the Chickasaw Nation and asks to be appointed as Indian agent for any tribes in Louisiana. (2 pages)

**Folder 70**

4 July 1805 ALS Robert Smith, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson. Will bring the papers with him when he comes to Washington. (2 pages)

**Folder 71**

23 July 1805 AD bill of W. & S. Jones, optical and mathematical instrument makers, for goods purchased. (2 pages)

Enclosure: Receipt for payment, 23 July 1805. (1 page)

**Folder 72**

29 July 1805 ALS Guiho de Kerlegand, New Orleans, to Jefferson. Sends a memorial of all the injustices that he has experienced and adds that his son has made it his cause to reclaim their family rights. (2 pages, in French, translation included)

**BOX 6: August 1805–June 1807**

**Folder 1**

31 Aug 1805 ADS Michael Dickinson (for Higginson and Twiss's, Liverpool) to William Tunnicliff. Receipt for carriage of cases from London. Contains a list of various shipping, postage and duty charges on back of the receipt in Jefferson's hand. (2 pages)

**Folder 2**

3 Sept 1805 ALS Larkin Smith, Charlottesville, to Thomas Jefferson. Left Mr. Eppes a few days ago at the Warm Springs. (2 pages)

**Folder 3**

22 Oct 1805 ALS Thomas Tingey, Navy Yard, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Gives information about Capt. Croudhill who was captured by Spanish privateers but subsequently released. (2 pages)

**Folder 4**

25 Oct 1805 ALS George Fox Janney, Alexandria, to Thomas Jefferson. Requests an audience to detail a machine that he has invented that he believes

will benefit internal commerce. (3 pages)

**Folder 5**

2 Nov 1805

ALS William Kilty to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses the prospectus of a work about to be published by Kilty's brother in Maryland and is anxious to obtain Jefferson's patronage. (2 pages)

**Folder 6**

18 Nov 1805

ALS Alexander S. Outlaw, Georgetown, District of Columbia, to Thomas Jefferson. His brother-in-law Mr. Anderson is in the Senate and requests a loan of \$120 or \$130 from Jefferson. He has references but "no acquaintances in this part of the world . . . and knowing of no gentleman whose funds could . . . afford me relief equivalent of yours." He assures Jefferson that he will repay the loan as soon as he returns to Tennessee. (4 pages)

**Folder 7**

18 Nov 1805

ALS Robert Smith to Thomas Jefferson. He has referred the holder of a bill to Jefferson. Jefferson's notation on the back reads "[William] Higgins' bill for \$212 for wine." (2 pages)

**Folder 8**

6 Dec 1805

Invitation. To [Joseph] Nicholson to dine with President Jefferson with name, date and time written in Jefferson's hand. A notation by Nicholson explains that he dined with Jefferson and describes this as an invitation to dinner at the first session of the 9th Congress. He gave Jefferson a letter relative to Wilkinson's conduct as governor of Louisiana. (2 pages)

**Folder 9**

14 Dec 1805

ALS Hugh O'Connor, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson. He and his family of seven children have been reduced to beggary and asks to be appointed to a station that would enable him to support his family. (2 pages)

**Folder 10**

31 Dec 1805

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Israel Smith. Asks permission to place Samuel Harrison's papers in Smith's hands to dispose of as he may think best. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 11**

13 Jan 1806

ALS S.A. Tarascon, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Presents a plan that he believes has political as well as commercial significance. (2 pages)

13 Jan 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Reuben Lewis. Informs Lewis

that the Indian agent in St. Louis reported that Captain Lewis and his party have “reached that part of the Missouri near the mountains where the Indian tract leads across (in 8 days march) to the Columbia. . . .” He does not expect to hear from the party until they return to St. Louis. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 12**

19 Jan 1806

ALS Peter Valentine, falls near Reisters Town, to Thomas Jefferson. Offers a plan for utilizing the countercurrents of rivers in order to make navigation easy for vessels going upstream. (2 pages)

**Folder 13**

20 Jan 1806

ANS William Tunnicliff to Mr. Ratcliff. Requests eight casks of London porter in good condition be delivered to Jefferson. (2 pages)

**Folder 14**

20 Jan 1806

AN Bill for goods purchased of William Tunnicliff by Thomas Jefferson. (2 pages)

**Folder 15**

28 Jan 1806

ANS Richard Spalding to Thomas Jefferson. Informs Jefferson that his license for his carriage has expired. (2 pages)

**Folder 16**

1 Feb 1806

ALS Antoine Soulard, Joseph Hortiz [Hortiz], Landreville, Francois Valois, Charles Sanguinet, P. Didier, P. Delaunay, Pierre Chouteau, P. Bacane, Paul Guitard, Auguste Chouteau, James Richardson, Manuel Lisa, John Mullanphy and [Jacques] Clamorgan to Thomas Jefferson. Requests that Jefferson add his influence to a petition that they are submitting to Congress as the St. Louis Committee. The document is a letter in the form of a petition. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 17**

20 Feb 1806

ADS Washington Boyd, treasurer of Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Itemized bill for Jefferson’s private carriages and dues owed by Jefferson totaling \$20 for his subscription to the public schools. (2 pages)

**Folder 18**

24 Feb 1806

ALS William Schultz, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Wishes employment in the construction of docks and canals, a trade that he acquired in Holland. He further states that he is in possession of some new discoveries in mechanics, applicable to husbandry. (4 pages, in German)

Enclosure: English summary of the letter dated 24 February 1806.



Summary was written by J. Wagner and appears to be contemporary with the letter. (1 page)

**Folder 19**

27 Feb 1806

Invitation to Mr. & Mrs. [Joseph] Nicholson to dine with Thomas Jefferson on Monday, March 3, with name, date and time written in Jefferson's hand. (2 pages)

**Folder 20**

28 Feb 1806

ADS Washington Boyd, treasurer of Washington City. Receipt for \$32 for Jefferson to use one chariot, two phaetons, and one gig in Washington. (2 pages)

**Folder 21**

5 Mar 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Samuel Otis. Asks to have a list of cadets returned to him, which Jefferson sent by mistake to the Senate on February 24. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 22**

27 Mar 1806

ALS Lewis Kerr, New Orleans, to Thomas Jefferson. Presents a copy of the criminal laws, which are the first work on jurisprudence published in the Territory of Orleans. (2 pages)

**Folder 23**

28 Mar 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Gen. Stanton. Regrets that he cannot contribute to the building of their meeting house. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 24**

9 Apr 1806

ALS Thomas Strode, Culpeper, to Thomas Jefferson. Gen. Lee has sold Strode's father's farm, on which he lives, to Samuel Washington. (2 pages)

**Folder 25**

11 Apr 1806

ADS W. Kerr. A true copy of a note signed by Samuel Washington certifies that Washington made the statement that there was a written contract between himself and Gen. Lee for John Strode's farm, but that it became void when he was unable to procure a title. (1 page)

**Folder 26**

15 Apr 1806

ALS Thomas Strode, Culpeper, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of the sale and comments on the "well known turpitude of Lee's character." (2 pages)

**Folder 27**

19 Apr 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Messrs. Luke Tiernan & Co.

Encloses a draft to be placed to the credit of Mr. Spier and speaks of devoting one day a month to the settlement of his pecuniary affairs. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 28**

20 Apr 1806

ALS Madame Roquefort de Vaudreuil to Thomas Jefferson. Writes on behalf of her daughter who has been deprived of everything since the French Revolution and mentions her husband's service to the United States. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 29**

24 Apr 1806

ALS Thomas H. Storm, pro consul of the United States at Genoa, to Thomas Jefferson. Complies with Jefferson's request for Nebioule wine and is shipping 50 bottles of 1804 vintage. (4 pages)

**Folder 30**

24 Apr 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Thomas Strode. He has written to Gen. Lee and feels certain that he will have satisfied him and that he will have no grounds for complaint on the sale of Strode's farm. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 31**

27 Apr 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Mrs. [Elizabeth] Trist. His daughter and her family will set out soon for Albemarle and he will follow in a few days time. Jefferson mentions attempts to establish a peace with Spain and plans to finish Monticello this summer. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 32**

29 Apr 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Thomas H. Storm. Jefferson states that he believes the wine he requested will bear transportation to America. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 33**

29 Apr 1806

ALS Robert Smith to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses some papers that merit Jefferson's attention. (2 pages)

**Folder 34**

29 Apr 1806

ALS Suleiman Islamboli [signature in Arabic] to Thomas Jefferson. Requests help because he has been unjustly placed in prison by "the arbitrary and unjust Turk now Ambassador to the United States from Tunis." Jefferson's notation reads, "Tunis, one of the suite of the embassy." (4 pages)

**Folder 35**

4 May 1806

ANS Thomas Jefferson to John Woodhouse, Marsalla. Has heard

nothing regarding the preceding and is sending “this duplicate by the frigate *Chesapeake* which carries home the Tunisian ambassador.” (2 pages, polygraph) (This note is at the bottom of a page that contains a notation “June 28, 1805. Original by the *John Adams*. Duplicate by the *Huntress*, which being intercepted by one of the belligerent privateers, a triplicate was forwarded at this date.” The original request that Woodhouse, a wine merchant, send “a pipe of the first quality” because “it is the practice to brandy wine for the American market” is also copied at the top of the page and is dated May 5, 1805.)

**Folder 36**

13 June 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Hugh Lennox, Kingston. Requests to be furnished with 40 gallons of fruit punch once a year from Jamaica. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 37**

5 July 1806

ALS John P. Van Ness to Thomas Jefferson. Sends two worms, which are of the species that infest Lombardy poplars. (2 pages)

**Folder 38**

6 July 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to James Steptoe. Regards a settlement of differences between England, France, and Spain; Jefferson believes the Indian alarms in the northwestern quarter are without foundation. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 39**

16 Aug 1806

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to George Taylor. Presents his compliments and thanks him for the silk rug and talks about experimenting with different types of cloth and their power to conduct heat. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 40**

3 Sept 1806

ALS F. Nichols, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Offers a copy of Playfair's *Geometry* that Nichols reprinted in 1805, and is the text used at Cambridge and New Haven. (4 pages)

**Folder 41**

3 Sept 1806

ALS Gertrude Joan Senf, Rocky Mount, to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding death of her husband, Col. Charles Senf. (2 pages)

Enclosure, ALS Gertrude Joan Senf, Rocky Mount, to Henry Dearborn, secretary of war, 1 September 1806. Regarding death of her husband and money owed him. (4 pages)

**Folder 42**

5 Sept 1806

ALS John Cleves Symmes, Northbend, Miami, to Thomas Jefferson.

Introduces the bearer of the letter as an Indian named Nanasekaw who would like to meet the president. (2 pages)

**Folder 43**

11 Sept 1806

ALS Gertrude Joan Senf, Rocky Mount, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks for justice to the memory of her dead husband. Explains how her husband advanced \$2000 of their own money for the public works, how Gen. Dearborn continued a secret correspondence with the carpenter of the works against her husband, the excessive wages Dearborn paid tradesmen sent from Philadelphia, and finally how her husband was replaced with Capt. MacCombe. (6 pages)

**Folder 44**

13 Sept 1806

ALS Hugh Lennox, Kingston, to Thomas Jefferson. Informs Jefferson that the hogshead of orange is forwarded to Alexandria and that the juice was not filtered fine enough and will require the cask to be set up a few days so as to settle before bottling. (2 pages)

**Folder 45**

19 Sept 1806

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Mr. Nichols. Presents his compliments and thanks Nichols for the copy of Playfair's *Geometry*. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 46**

1 Oct 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John Van Ness. Requests a loan of \$50 to Mr. Higginbotham, a friend, who is returning from the springs to Washington. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 47**

9 Oct 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Gen. John Smith. Introduces the bearer of the letter as Mr. Mills, a young man of liberal education. (2 pages)

**Folder 48**

12 Oct 1806

ALS William Schultz, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson, Washington. (4 pages, in German)

**Folder 49**

18 Oct 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to John White. The friends of John Gickie who remain at Dundee would like to know what happened to Gickie and any information White has will be forwarded to them. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 50**

26 Oct 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Reuben Lewis. Informs Lewis of his brother Meriwether's safe arrival in St. Louis. (2 pages)

polygraph)

**Folder 51**

5 Nov 1806

ANS Washington Boyd to Thomas Jefferson. Receipt for Jefferson's fifth installment of his subscription to the Washington Public School Institution. (2 pages)

6 Nov 1806

ADS Washington Boyd to Thomas Jefferson. Receipt for \$32 for Jefferson's license to use one chariot, two phaetons, and one gig in Washington City. (2 pages)

**Folder 52**

18 Dec 1806

ALS W.W. Woodward, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Has not heard from Jefferson since Woodward sent him the third volume of Scott's notes on the Bible. (2 pages)

**Folder 53**

21 Dec 1806

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to W.W. Woodward. Responds that the three volumes of Scott's works came at different times and encloses \$20 for payment. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 54**

30 Dec 1806

ADS Robert Saunders, John M. Elliott, Henry Ingersoll, David Heckle, Bailey Negue, John Thomas Sullivan, Thomas Gill, Stephen Bartis, David Winton, Matthew Buchanan, Alexander Buchanan, John Edsall, Daniel Mackey, John Bosels, James W. Grant, John Scott, John Noyes, Frederick Riggis, John H. Sherman, and William Long, Carthagena, to Thomas Jefferson and the Congress of the United States. Memorial of 20 United States citizens sentenced to slavery at Boca Chica in the dominion of Spain. (6 pages)

**Folder 55**

27 Jan 1807

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Col. Wharton. States that "Persons acting as Counsel for Swartout and Bollman have applied for leave to see them," and requests that Wharton permit whatever a court order may authorize. (2 pages, polygraph)

27 Jan 1807

DS Thomas Jefferson. Clearance paper allowing the ship *Isabella* of New York with a crew of 11 and unarmed to pass without problem. (1 page) **Oversize**

**Folder 56**

9 Feb 1807

ALS Thomas Tingey, Navy Yard, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes on the efficacy of gunboats. (4 pages)

**Folder 57**

21 Feb 1807 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Madame de Tesse. Writes of a previous attempt (in 1805) to send her a box of seeds, acorns and nuts. He has now made up another box that has been divided into cells and gives the botanical names. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 58**

14 Mar 1807 ANS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Dr. Lattimore. Regards an act to prevent settlements on the lands of the United States until authorized by law, which Jefferson assures Lattimore will be “carried into execution with every indulgence which a fair construction of its object shall admit.” (1 page)

**Folder 59**

21 Mar 1807 LS Thomas Jefferson, Washington City, to Governor William Hull, Michigan Territory. Regards legislation recently passed by Congress entitled “An Act Authorizing the President of the United States to accept the service of a number of volunteer companies, not exceeding thirty thousand men.” The printed copy of the act, dated 24 February 1807 (4 pages), is attached to the inside of the letter. (The docketing on back of the letter appears to be in the hand of Governor Hull.) (3 pages)

**Folder 60**

30 Mar 1807 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Peter Kuhn, Jr. Acknowledges receipt of fifty bottles of Nebioule wine, with the loss of ten. The second shipment of two hundred bottles arrived with only a single bottle “unburst.” The wine obtained from Count Pavia had not yet arrived, nor had the shipment expected from Mr. Appleton. Jefferson asks the favor of one hundred bottles. Postscript shows that Mr. Appleton’s shipment had arrived safely. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 61**

28 Apr 1807 ALS John Owings, Dayton, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes that he has become so reduced in his circumstances that he has had to employ himself as a mason’s tender and asks Jefferson for a “small pecuniary assistance.” (2 pages)

**Folder 62**

2 May 1807 ALS Robert Thompson, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Concerns the surveying of the coast. Thompson suggests the use of one of the small vessels lying in the navy yard and requests the help of its officers who are not currently in service. (2 pages)

**Folder 63**

9 May 1807 ALS John Norvell, Danville, Kentucky, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks the proper method to be pursued in acquiring sound political knowledge and asks how a newspaper should be conducted in order to be most

beneficial. (2 pages)

**Folder 64**

14 June 1807

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Dr. Philip Turpin. “By an inconceivable want of recollection when I received your brother Horatio’s letter I misapplied his name to you, and directed the answer to Dr. Horatio Turpin. . . .,” and Jefferson hopes that his answer will explain to both brothers his views. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 65**

24 June 1807

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Dr. Mitchell. Thanks him for the statistical manual of New York and expresses his pleasure at the growth and prosperity of the city. Jefferson adds that the secretary of war is considering what “works can be of any avail towards protecting that city from naval enterprises.” (1 page, polygraph)

**BOX 7: September 1807–1809**

**Folder 1**

16 Sept 1807

ALS Waller Taylor, Vincennes, to Thomas Jefferson. Concerns the trial of Davis Floyd, who is charged with “preparing and setting on foot a military expedition against the Spanish Territories in America.” Mr. Floyd said that he had assurances from Col. Burr that the government approved the expedition and Taylor does not believe Floyd was “intentionally guilty.” Taylor writes to explain his conduct as a member of the court that tried Floyd and because he would like to be appointed receiver of public monies for the lands to be sold in the Jeffersonville District. (4 pages)

**Folder 2**

24 Sept 1807

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Col. Larkin Smith. Proposes to him the office of collector vacated by the death of Col. Newton. Smith had previously declined the post but Jefferson believes new conditions will satisfy his past concerns. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 3**

3 Oct 1807

ALS I. Nash to Thomas Jefferson. Requests an interview stating that he is from St. Louis in the Louisiana Territory and has a matter of great importance to communicate. (2 pages)

**Folder 4**

22 Oct 1807

ALS Roquefort de Vaudreuil, La Haye [The Hague], to Thomas Jefferson. Writes on behalf of her deceased husband and daughter. Her deceased husband contributed generously to the American Revolution. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 5**

29 Oct 1807 ANS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Mr. Thomas. Thanks Thomas for his copy of Ramsay's *Life of Washington*, which he returns by the same mail. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 6**

29 Oct 1807 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Samuel Otis, the secretary of the Senate. Requests permission to have Mr. Coles, his secretary, correct "a verbal error" in the copy of his message to Congress delivered on October 27 by "erasing the word 'district,' & inserting 'Circuit.'" He had meant it to read "Circuit Court of Virginia." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 7**

31 Oct 1807 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to General Sumpter. Asks whether he considers Mr. Waddy Thompson suitable for the position of judge for the District of Orleans. (2 pages)

**Folder 8**

16 Nov 1807 ALS William Simpson, Pensacola, to John Graham. Encloses a memorial of John Forbes & Co. for Jefferson. If Graham cannot present it, Simpson requests that Graham have some respectable friend present it to the president. Forbes suspected, through his correspondence with General Dearborn, that those in government entertained an unfavorable impression of him and wanted to show Jefferson otherwise. (4 pages)

**Folder 9**

25 Nov 1807 ALS Benjamin & Thomas Kite, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Propose that as patrons of literature, they wish to print a compendium of natural philosophy. The Kites recently published Chaptal's *Elements of Chemistry* and are also interested in an American edition of Accum's *Chemistry*. (2 pages)

**Folder 10**

3 Dec 1807 ALS Rene Jussomme, St. Louis, to Thomas Jefferson. Implores Jefferson's generosity, for he is no longer able to work and supply the needs of his poor family. Believes that Mr. Prior has informed Jefferson of the "bad success" of their expedition from which Jussomme returned crippled for life. He asks to be sent back to the Mandans so that the parents of his wife may take care of his children and says the Indians will not respect the flag of the United States until it is backed by force. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 11**

3 Dec 1807 ANS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Col. James Johnston. Regarding the offer of service from the Chatham Company of artillery. (2 pages, polygraph)



**Folder 12**

5 Dec 1807

ALS James Tomlinson, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. States that it is much feared that the United States is on the eve of a rupture with England. Tomlinson hopes that Jefferson may retire from the presidency "with the pleasing reflection that thy Country has been favored with the inestimable blessing of Peace." (2 pages)

**Folder 13**

9 Dec 1807

ALS Fred. H. Wollaston, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a letter from Mr. Marrie who also sent twelve bottles of wine. Wollaston hopes in a few weeks to deliver in person a small phial of strawberry seeds. (2 pages)

**Folder 14**

18 Dec 1807

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Fred H. Wollaston. Asks Wollaston to put the box of wine into the hands of General Shee with the request that he put it on a vessel from Philadelphia to Washington. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 15**

19 Dec 1807

ALS J.B. Varnum, speaker of the House of Representatives, to Thomas Jefferson. Requests the papers of Mr. Armstrong and Champagna be returned to him because a member of the House wants to see them. (2 pages)

**Folder 16**

22 Dec 1807

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Mrs. [Elizabeth] Trist. Speaks of her losses and writes: "We both know that the best medicine is to drop the curtain on its recollection." Regarding the troubles in New Orleans, Jefferson believes the best remedy is a strong American population. He ends by giving family news and states, "My heart is set on nothing but the return to it [his family] myself, and getting my family around me at Monticello." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 17**

11 Feb 1808

Circular of the Tammany Society, or Columbian Order, of the city of New York regarding the arrangements for the interment of the remains of American seamen, soldiers, and citizens who perished on board the Jersey prison ship during the Revolutionary War, now lying on the shores of Long Island. (2 pages)

**Folder 18**

2 Mar 1808

ALS Levavasseur, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Despoiled of his fortune, he fled France for America. (6 pages, in French)

**Folder 19**

4 Mar 1808 ALS Charles Tierlin, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Requests a small boat to carry himself and other French inhabitants to Martinique and Guadeloupe where they have business. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 20**

9 Mar 1808 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Charles Tierling. Informs Tierling that Gen. Turreau, minister of France, is currently applying for permission to send a vessel to France and another to the West Indies and grants permission for him and his partners. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 21**

29 Mar 1808 ALS Aureliano Tiribelli to Thomas Jefferson. (2 pages, in Italian)

**Folder 22**

30 Mar 1808 ALS William Simmons, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends two "buffalo skins and a horn spoon" at the request of Pierre Chouteau of St. Louis. (2 pages)

**Folder 23**

3 Apr 1808 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Thomas Strode. He does not make military appointments; suggests Strode contact Mr. Love, who is acting for Strode's district, and request Love to recommend Strode to the secretary at war. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 24**

19 Apr 1808 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to [his sister] Mrs. Lucy Lewis. Speaks of her leaving their part of the country and wishes that he too could descend the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers to New Orleans. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 25**

28 Apr 1808 ALS Philip M. Topham, New York Prison, to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks Jefferson for his kind intentions in signing Topham's discharge, which was defeated of its object by the quibbles of lawyers and the conduct of the marshal of New York. (2 pages)

**Folder 26**

2 May 1808 ALS Phillip M. Topham, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Acknowledges Jefferson's "boon of Liberty" and says, "may God forget me when I again trample on my Country's laws." (2 pages)

**Folder 27**

19 May 1808 ALS James G.W. Neale to Henry Dearborn. Requests a situation in which he may distinguish himself in "defense of my country's liberties." (4 pages)

**Folder 28**

4 June 1808

ALS T. Selby, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Requests that Jefferson lift the embargo because Selby is unable to feed his wife and four children. (2 pages, transcription included)

**Folder 29**

11 June 1808

ALS Aureliano Tiribelli to Thomas Jefferson. (2 pages, in Italian)

**Folder 30**

25 June 1808

ALS De Vernon, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of L'Abbe de Chalest's arrival since Jefferson's return to America. (2 pages, in French)

Enclosures: copies of letters from Jefferson, in De Vernon's hand, dated 1787 and 1788. (2 pages, in French) (See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 13, p. 507n.)

**Folder 31**

5 July 1808

ALS William A. Needham, Shoreham, Vermont, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses resolutions adopted by the townspeople of Shoreham, Vermont, and neighboring towns on the 4th of July. (2 pages)

**Folder 32**

28 July 1808

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Col. Larkin Smith. Salutes Col. Smith and encloses a passport for Capt. McKinzie. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 33**

1 Aug 1808

ALS Jonathan Snowden, West Point, to Thomas Jefferson. Discusses an offer to a Major Barron to join Aaron Burr in Great Britain where he would receive a commission as colonel of engineers in an expedition against Mexico. (2 pages)

**Folder 34**

3 Aug 1808

ALS Col. Larkin Smith, Collector's Office, Norfolk, to Thomas Jefferson. Will deliver the passport to Capt. McKinzie as soon as his ship arrives. Responds to Jefferson's inquiry concerning the character of Eugene Sullivan and Alexander Rose, and says that he [Smith] is not sufficiently acquainted with them to make a judgement of their character. (2 pages)

**Folder 35**

9 Aug 1808

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Paul Dudley Sargeant. "Sorry to see that a combination of moral and political depravity should be so far found to exist in a portion of our citizens" as to weaken the operation of the embargo against Europe. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 36**

25 Aug 1808

ALS Joshua Woodman, Castine, to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding a petition from select men in his town of Castine to remove the embargo. Woodman says that the petition does not reflect the sentiments of the voters of the town but is an expression of “men that has [have] always been disaffected with the present administration.” (2 pages)

**Folder 37**

26 Aug 1808

ALS P.F. Tardieu, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends various geographical charts with a list of charts and prices. (3 pages, in French)

**Folder 38**

5 Sept 1808

ALS Aureliano Tiribelli to Thomas Jefferson. (2 pages, in Italian)

**Folder 39**

11 Sept 1808

ALS Lescallier, Havre, to Thomas Jefferson. Expresses his admiration and recalls a conversation he had with Jefferson in 1804 after Lescallier returned from Guadeloupe. Offers Jefferson his composition, “Vocabulaire de Marine Anglaise et Francaise en Deux Parties.” (2 pages)

**Folder 40**

30 Sept 1808

ALS James G.W. Neale, on board the U.S. Schooner *Enterprise*, Norfolk, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks Jefferson to return the letter and certificate Neale sent to him last June because Neale has discovered “that to be a soldier is to associate with the unprincipled.” (2 pages)

Attachment: ANS Thomas Jefferson to Mr. [Robert] Smith, secretary of the navy. Recommends a discharge for Neale. (2 pages)

**Folder 41**

11 Oct 1808

DS Jesse B. Thomas, speaker of the Indiana Territory House of Representatives, and Will Jones, clerk of the Indiana Territory House of Representatives. Resolution concerning delegates to Congress elected by inhabitants of the Indiana Territory, repeal of powers given to the territorial governor, and appeals to the federal circuit court. (1 page)

12 Oct 1808

ALS Jesse B. Thomas, Vincennes, to Thomas Jefferson. Transmits the enclosed resolution of the Indiana Territory House of Representatives requesting a division of the territory west of the Wabash River from the territory east of the river. (4 pages)

**Folder 42**

14 Oct 1808

ALS Mart. Willcox and Caleb Lownes to Thomas Jefferson. Regards the making of an artificial road from Philadelphia to Baltimore. (2

pages)

**Folder 43**

14 Oct 1808

ALS Charles Shnabell Shoenstein, Georgetown, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks Jefferson to grant Shoenstein “some alteration in my circumstances, by your interest, & power, & raise me out of this gulph of distracted vulgarism.” (4 pages)

**Folder 44**

19 Oct 1808

ALS Jesse B. Thomas, Vincennes, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses resolutions per the instructions of the House of Representatives of the Indiana Territory. (2 pages)

**Folder 45**

3 Nov 1808

ADS John Hay, CCC [circuit court clerk for St. Clair County], and James Lemen, foreman. Petition from St. Clair County, Indiana Territory, states that the connection between St. Clair County and the county east of the Wabash “is a public grievance of the most intolerable nature,” the taxes are heavy, and the territorial court at Vincennes is 160 miles away through wilderness. (2 pages)

**Folder 46**

3 Nov 1808

ALS Henry Vanderburgh, Cahokia, to Thomas Jefferson. Transmits the “presentment of the Grand Jury of this County.” (2 pages)

**Folder 47**

30 Nov 1808

ALS Joshua Norvell, Lancaster, Kentucky, to Thomas Jefferson. Anxious to acquire an education and proposes putting himself under the guidance of Jefferson in return for doing Jefferson’s writing and other duties. (2 pages)

**Folder 48**

3 Dec 1808

Newspaper clipping regarding a conversation between Judge David Erskine and Secretary Canning regarding the United States’ embargo against Great Britain. (1 page)

**Folder 49**

4 Dec 1808

ALS James G.W. Neale, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends thanks for his discharge because it freed him “from the insolence of worthless characters clothed in petty authority.” (2 pages)

**Folder 50**

10 Dec 1808

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Jesse B. Thomas. The only letters he received from Thomas were those two that covered the resolutions in favor of division of the territory and in favor of amendments to the territorial constitution. Jefferson did not receive a

letter announcing the election of two people in the place of Gwathney.  
(2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 51**

22 Dec 1808 ALS Benjamin Stuart to Thomas Jefferson. Writes in hopes “for an elevation of my destitute situation.” (2 pages)

**Folder 52**

24 Dec 1808 ALS Vanuxem & Clark, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Concerns a shipment of two boxes of paste from Mr. Sartori of Trenton aboard the schooner *Concordia*. (2 pages)

**Folder 53**

1 Jan 1809 AL Moses Young, consul from Madrid, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a sample of vicuna wool and Faden’s new map of South America. (2 pages)

**Folder 54**

4 Jan 1809 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Moses Young. Presents his compliments and thanks Young for the wool shawl and the map of South America, which Jefferson returns, and adds that a copy of the map would be a valuable addition to the war office. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 55**

7 Jan 1809 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Robert B. Sample. Has just learned that his letter to the six Baptist associations was never received, encloses a copy and apologizes for the delay. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 56**

12 Jan 1809 ALS Calvin Jones, Raleigh, to Thomas Jefferson. Refers Jefferson to an article regarding agriculture and mentions Jefferson’s communication to the Agricultural Society of South Carolina on the subject of the olive tree. (2 pages)

**Folder 57**

10 Feb 1809 ANS Thomas Jefferson, Washington, to Tardieu, map engraver. Presents his salutations and thanks him for his excellent maps of the United States and the Bay of Mexico. In return, Jefferson sends Tardieu a survey of the Mississippi River from its source to the mouth of the Ohio, and promises a map of Louisiana from “Gov. Lewis, who conducted the journey to the South Sea” as soon as it appears. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 58**

16 Feb 1809 Printed invitation to Judge Joseph H. Nicholson for dinner with name and date in Jefferson’s hand. (1 page)

**Folder 59**

24 Feb 1809 ALS Clotworthy Stephenson, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks about the result of his claim for services at the Marine Barracks. (2 pages)

**Folder 60**

19 Mar 1809 ALS John Wyche, Westwardmill (Brunswick, Virginia), to Thomas Jefferson. Concerns the establishment of a library and library society by the people of his town of Westwardmill, Virginia, and requests his input on their constitution as well as his patronage. (2 pages)

**Folder 61**

24 Mar 1809 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Mrs. [Elizabeth] Trist. Thanks Trist for her congratulations on his liberation “from the duties and anxieties of my late situation” and hopes to see her soon at Monticello. (2 pages, polygraph, transcription included) (The “duties and anxieties” is a reference to Jefferson’s second term as president, 1805-1809.)

**Folder 62**

28 Mar 1809 ALS Larkin Smith, Norfolk, to Thomas Jefferson. Expresses sentiments of respect and veneration for Jefferson’s public services and private virtues. Smith mentions the “wounding” circumstances of the latter part of Jefferson’s administration and attributes those problems to British influence. (2 pages)

**Folder 63**

7 Apr 1809 ALS Philip Tabb, Toddsbury, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a copy of a letter that Tabb has just found miscarried. The original letter contained five large hickory nuts for planting and a moleboard. (2 pages)

**Folder 64**

25 Apr 1809 ALS John McGowty, Windham, Connecticut, to Thomas Jefferson. Concerns an argument as to whether the French took American ships and property in American ports and at sea. (2 pages)

**Folder 65**

1 May 1809 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Isham Lewis. Believes that the field of surveying holds the most opportunity, especially in the Orleans and Mississippi Territories. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 66**

1 May 1809 ALS William Lyman, American Consulate, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Takes the liberty of sending a report of the examination in the House of Commons of the conduct of the Duke of York. (2 pages)

**Folder 67**

2 May 1809 ALS Lescallier, Havre, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a small notice on the geology of Guadeloupe and wishes “matters may settle to mutual satisfaction” and believes that “the true interest of both nations [is] to preserve peace and [for] a profitable intercourse.” (2 pages)

**Folder 68**

1 June 1809 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Philip Tabb. Thanks Tabb for the mould board and states that “it resembles extremely one which I made about 20 years ago.” (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 69**

12 June 1809 ALS Madame Noailles de Tesse, Aulnay, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of Mr. Cole and a visit by the Marquis de LaFayette. (4 pages, French)

**Folder 70**

12 July [1809] ALS John Imeson to Thomas Jefferson, Washington. Writes as a blind man who lost his sight in the Revolutionary War and needs financial assistance. (2 pages)

**Folder 71**

10 Aug 1809 ALS William Smith, Washington, Pennsylvania, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello. Reveals a plot to kill him and destroy Monticello. Smith would like to tell Jefferson more in person but cannot unless Jefferson sends him \$590 to clear up some debts, otherwise Smith will not be able to go to Monticello until next spring. (4 pages)

**Folder 72**

5 Sept 1809 ALS James Wood, Columbia County, Georgia, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. Regrets that he is so affected by the general calamities of the country. (4 pages)

**Folder 73**

6 Oct 1809 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Gen. John Smith. Requests a couple of bushels of tall meadow oat or oat grass and any instructions Smith may have. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 74**

9 Oct 1809 ALS Madame Noailles de Tesse, Aulnay, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of his library at Monticello and of her garden. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 75**

16 Oct 1809 ALS Clotworthy Stephenson, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks where Jefferson left his papers concerning his claim against the United States for services rendered at the Marine Barracks. (2 pages)

**Folder 76**



3 Nov 1809 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Clotworthy Stephenson. He believes Stephenson's papers must have been referred to Mr. Smith, then secretary of the navy, and are probably in the navy office. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 77**

11 Dec 1809 ALS Thomas Jefferson to John Monroe, Lexington, Kentucky (now at Chillicothe, Ohio). Believes a change in the British ministry may remove the immediate pressure on American commerce. "Should a Grenville administration take place and still pursue the principle of claiming the seas by conquest and exacting tribute from all who navigate it, there will be little hope of a continuance of peace." (2 pages, polygraph) (first lines missing).

**BOX 8: 1810–April 1813**

**Folder 1**

10 Jan 1810 ALS Thomas Main, Main's Nursery, to Thomas Jefferson. Transmits the enclosed paper and expresses his gratitude for all Jefferson has offered to do for him. (2 pages)

**Folder 2**

20 Jan 1810 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Thomas Main. Returns Main's papers with some subscriptions. Jefferson adds that he is anxious to learn the method of sprouting haws and believes Main's system of hedges would be useful in the James River low-grounds where timber for fences is becoming scarce. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 3**

29 Jan 1810 ALS John H. Woodward, Charleston, to Thomas Jefferson. Contemplates publishing, under the patronage of Dr. David Ramsay, a biography of all the most eminent persons "who have done honor to our national character" and asks Jefferson for a catalogue of the names of such persons as he thinks worthy of this commemoration. (2 pages)

**Folder 4**

4 Feb 1810 ALS W.G.D. Worthington, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a speech "in which I have spoken of the late president of the United States with my sincerest and warmest feelings." (2 pages)

**Folder 5**

28 Feb 1810 ALS Hugh L. White, Thomas McCorry, James Campbell, Robert Craighead, and John N. Gamble, Knoxville, to Thomas Jefferson. Concerns a lottery for the benefit of a college in Tennessee and offer to forward any tickets Jefferson desires. (2 pages)

**Folder 6**

15 Mar 1810 ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to S.W. Johnson. Returns Johnson's thanks for information on the subject of U.S. manufacturers and states that Jefferson has given it to Mr. Gallatin. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 7**

18 Mar 1810 ALS H. Macaulay, city of Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks if certain letters of recommendation may be returned to him. (2 pages)

**Folder 8**

24 Mar 1810 ALS Madame Noailles de Tesse, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. She received Jefferson's package of "trinkets" from Monticello and talks about four trees in her small garden that are flourishing. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 9**

26 Mar 1810 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Mr. H. Macaulay. The papers Jefferson inquired about were put in the hands of Gen. Dearborn. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 10**

27 Mar 1810 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Mr. Letelier. He is sending a pair of cans and beakers to be melted down and made into plated cups. He supposes they will make about 8 cups and wants them marked "G.W. to T.J." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 11**

29 Mar 1810 ALS Oliver Whipple, Georgetown, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks Jefferson to address a letter to President Madison on Whipple's behalf to solicit an appointment for him in Rhode Island or Massachusetts. (2 pages)

**Folder 12**

2 Apr 1810 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Thomas S. McClellan [McClelland]. Regarding a law case and adds notes to facilitate his recollection. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 13**

18 Apr 1810 ALS Thomas S. McClelland, Lynchburg, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes concerning a lawsuit. (2 pages)

**Folder 14**

27 Apr 1810 ALS W.W. Woodward, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Has sent, in the care of Mr. Gibson and Mr. Jefferson, the last part of Scott's Bible. (2 pages)

**Folder 15**

18 May 1810 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John Wickham. He understands that Wickham is not engaged by the plaintiff and would be free to assist in his defense. He also wishes to engage Mr. Hay and Mr. Wirt. He also mentions that "I presume the suit must be for some act done by me as the servant of the public. . . ." (2 pages, polygraph)

30 May 1810 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Patrick Magruder. Requests the volumes of the Journals of the House of Representatives containing Jefferson's message to the House on March 7, 1808, concerning the batture of New Orleans. Jefferson needs this material in his defense of the action brought by Edward Livingston. (2 pages)

**Folder 16**

4 July 1810 ALS Thomas Newell, Zanesville, Ohio, to Thomas Jefferson. He was engaged in the services of the United States but was unable to obtain any land and requests his help. (2 pages)

**Folder 17**

2 Aug 1810 ALS Thomas Jefferson to Mr. Mather, mayor of New Orleans. Encloses a letter from Governor Claiborne on the subject of the batture and speaks of the actions being brought against Jefferson by Edward Livingston for arresting Livingston's works. Jefferson adds, "He [Livingston] expects to make this action a trial of his title to the batture," and believes that "the public right cannot fail to be established." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 18**

10 Aug [1810] Prospectus of a publication to be offered by James J. Wilmer. "Facts . . . with notes explanatory, and an appropriate appendix of prominent public men and measures, from the era of American independence to the present time." (2 pages) (James John Wilmer was chaplain to Congress, 1809-1813, and a prolific writer of pamphlets and newspaper articles. See Dumas Malone, ed., *Dictionary of American Biography*, Vol. XX, pp. 313-314, 1936.)

**Folder 19**

10 Aug 1810 ALS F. Andre Michaux to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks Jefferson for facilitating Michaux's return to Europe with all of his collections and hopes that his work on the trees of North America and the United States will prove worthy of Jefferson's approbation. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 20**

10 Sept 1810 AN Charles Johnston. Regarding the mail with notes on the back in Jefferson's hand concerning the Lynchburg mail. (2 pages)

25 Sept 1810 ALS C.P. de Lasteyrie, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a copy of a translation that he has made of one of Fulton's works and believes that Mr. Warden will be hard to replace. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 21**

9 Oct 1810 ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Mr. Wheaton. Presents his compliments and thanks Wheaton for the pamphlet concerning friendly principles to free government. (2 pages, polygraph)

12 Oct 1810 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Charles Johnston. Has sent the information received by Johnston regarding the situation of Lynchburg and its mail to the postmaster general and includes a schedule of mail delivery between Lynchburg and Richmond. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 22**

10 Jan 1811 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Maj. Stoddert. Presents his compliments and returns a paper declining a subscription for books. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 23**

21 Jan 1811 ALS F. Andre Michaux, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Sending to the Philosophical Society of Philadelphia some of Buffet's latest scientific works together with some of Michaux's own work concerning the nut trees of the United States. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 24**

30 Jan 1811 ALS Matthias Nack, New York, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. Requests to be appointed an inspector of the customs or another position where he could use his knowledge of lumber. (4 pages)

**Folder 25**

18 Mar 1811 ALS [Bishop] James Madison, [president of William and Mary College], to Thomas Jefferson. He was glad to forward Jefferson's letter to Miss Mary Stith. (2 pages)

**Folder 26**

22 Mar 1811 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Judge Stewart. Asks Stewart to return the letter forwarded to him for Peter Derieux and speaks of a new government in England which means to make peace. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 27**

27 Mar 1811 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Madame Noailles de Tesse. Thanks her for the seeds, one variety of which is growing, and for the print of Humboldt. Laments with her the loss of Mr. Short's services.

(2 pages, polygraph, transcript included)

**Folder 28**

27 Mar 1811 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia, to Peter Walsh. Asks Walsh to send 120 gallons of St. George wine annually. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 29**

28 Mar 1811 ALS B. Smith, New Brunswick, New Jersey, to Thomas Jefferson. States that he was an employee of the Department of State during Jefferson's administration, and sends a copy of a speech he delivered. (2 pages)

**Folder 30**

7 Apr 1811 ALS George W. Varnum, Lovington, to Thomas Jefferson. Public opinion concedes the administration of Adams to have been more frugal than that of Jefferson and Madison. Believing the opposite to be true, Varnum requests the figures for the public debt, foreign and domestic, for 1796-1800, 1804, 1808, and 1810. He also would like to know under what circumstances was Gen. James Wilkinson allowed to draw out more money from the treasury than was allowed him by law. (2 pages)

**Folder 31**

15 Apr 1811 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to F. Andre Michaux. Thanks Michaux for his beautiful account of the pines and firs of America. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 32**

8 May 1811 ALS Thomas Newton, Norfolk, to Thomas Jefferson. Presents William R. Nimmo, a young man who would like to meet Jefferson. (2 pages)

11 May 1811 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to B. Smith. Thanks Smith for the copy of his oration and its favorable sentiments. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 33**

5 Aug 1811 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Mr. [John] Jordan. Encloses a letter for Mr. Ogilvie, a lecturer. (2 pages)

**Folder 34**

1 Sept 1811 ALS John Jordan, Jr. (Lexington, Kentucky), to Thomas Jefferson. Has forwarded his letter to Mr. Ogilvie and adds, "We have increased in Population, and for our age no State has excelled us in Agriculture and Manufactures—and happy am I to say that Republicanism keeps pace." (2 pages)

**Folder 35**

14 Sept 1811 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Judge Archibald Stuart. Requests some timothy seeds and believes war with Great Britain to be inevitable. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 36**

29 Sept 1811 ALS Matthew Leib, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks for help on behalf of Col. Duane who “seems to be the devoted victim of persecution.” (2 pages)

**Folder 37**

9 Oct 1811 ALS Benjamin and Thomas Kite, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. They are sending the picture of Philadelphia, the price of which is one dollar. (2 pages)

**Folder 38**

10 Oct 1811 ALS Peter Walsh, Cette, to Thomas Jefferson. Recalls having met Jefferson in New York in 1789 and notes Jefferson’s request for wine which Walsh will have shipped from Bordeaux. (2 pages)

**Folder 39**

19 Oct 1811 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to [Robert C.] Weightman. Wishes to buy Weightman’s miniature edition of Scott’s works in five volumes. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 40**

8 Dec 1811 ALS Madame Noailles de Tesse, Aulnay, to Thomas Jefferson. Received Jefferson’s letter of March 27 and says the trees he asked about do not exist around Lyon. (7 pages, in French)

**Folder 41**

30 Dec 1811 ALS Andrew Logan, Lancaster, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. Asks if Jefferson has sold to the English all the stock of the U.S. Bank that was possessed by foreigners and without the consent of any authority. Logan also asks for Jefferson’s advice on entering the navy. (4 pages)

**Folder 42**

13 Jan 1812 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Judge Stewart. Encloses a letter from France for Peter Derieux. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 43**

13 Jan 1812 ANS William P. Newby, Tufton, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello. Regarding number of hogs killed. (2 pages)

**Folder 44**

- 23 Feb 1812 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Francis Willis. Has written to the secretary at war concerning Willis' request. (2 pages, polygraph)
- Folder 45**  
3 Mar 1812 ALS Larkin Smith, Norfolk, to Thomas Jefferson. Has sent a small package of garden seeds in the care of James Barber to deliver to Jefferson. (2 pages)
- Folder 46**  
16 Mar 1812 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to [Robert C.] Weightman. Thanks Weightman for the miniature edition of Scott's works; he will be remitted through Mr. Barnes. (2 pages, polygraph)
- Folder 47**  
22 Mar 1812 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Col. Larkin Smith. Acknowledges receipt of the package of seeds. (2 pages, polygraph)
- Folder 48**  
9 Apr 1812 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Mr. Morton. Asks Morton to advise or possibly furnish Gen. Kosciuzko with \$1000 due to the difficulty of remittance "since the channel of England is closed to those operations." (2 pages, polygraph)
- Folder 49**  
20 Apr 1812 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to James Mather. The suit "which Edward Livingston had brought against me for maintaining the public right to the Batture of New Orleans has been dismissed by the District Court of the United States in this state for want of jurisdiction" and would have preferred that the question of right should have been discussed publicly. (2 pages, polygraph)
- Folder 50**  
23 Apr 1812 ALS John Williams, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks for instructions concerning a small package of coffee directed to Jefferson. (2 pages)
- Folder 51**  
24 Apr 1812 ALS John A. Morton, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. He will help get money to Gen. Kosciuszko but adds that bills on France are scarce and cannot be purchased for less than 2.5 cents to the franc. (4 pages)
- Folder 52**  
24 Apr 1812 ALS Matthew Wills, Fluvanna, to Thomas Jefferson. Has heard of Jefferson's desire for some live carp and will procure some if Jefferson will advise how they may be carried alive. (2 pages)

**Folder 53**

25 Apr 1812

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Hugh White. Presents his compliments and thanks White for the pamphlet. He believes the questions posed are difficult. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 54**

26 Apr 1812

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Capt. Matthew Wills. Thanks Wills for the fish he sent and has "had a proper smack made, such as is regularly used for the transporting of fish, to be towed after the boat" and requests a dozen or so carp. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 55**

30 Apr 1812

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John Williams. Requests Williams forward the parcel of coffee by water to Richmond to his correspondents, Mr. Gibson and Mr. Jefferson. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 56**

6 June 1812

ALS Robert Wright, Congress Hall, to Thomas Jefferson. Believes that "after a tedious and anxious session," Congress has felt it necessary to secure the interest and honor of the American people by a declaration of war. (War against Great Britain was officially declared by Congress on June 18, 1812.) (2 pages)

**Folder 57**

10 June 1812

ALS James Jones Wilmer, Havre de Grace, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a paper of the "Sun" containing some matters communicated on the 4th of last month. (2 pages)

**Folder 58**

28 June 1812

ALS Madame Noailles de Tesse, Aulnay, to Thomas Jefferson. Her gardener is leaving in the autumn by boat for America. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 59**

2 July 1812

ALS A.L. Joncheres, Georgetown, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks if Jefferson is interested in 50 or 60 geographical charts that are no longer of value or use to Joncheres. (2 pages, in French)

9 July 1812

Newspaper clipping. Quotes an oration given by James Jones Wilmer in Havre-de-Grace on 4 July 1812. (1 page) **Oversize**

**Folder 60**

13 July 1812

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to A. Lithgow, clerk of the circuit court of the U.S. Requests a bill of costs in the suit of Edward Livingston against Jefferson. (2 pages, polygraph)



**Folder 61**

18 July 1812 ALS Fontaine Maury, onboard the Ship *Diana*, to Thomas Jefferson. George Jefferson embarked with Maury from Lisbon in a nervous state and has attempted to kill himself several times. He thinks they will land at Baltimore so attention can be given to George. (1 page)

29 July 1812 ALS Fontaine Maury, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson. "I have now the unpleasant task of saying to you that our Friend is no more." Encloses a lock of George's hair. Written on the back of previous letter (18 July 1812). (1 page)

**Folder 62**

27 July 1812 ALS A. Lithgow, federal court office, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. Sends a copy of the order Jefferson requested with the cost and the security for the payment. (2 pages)

**Folder 63**

2 Aug 1812 ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to James Jones Wilmer. Presents his compliments and thanks Wilmer for the copy of his oration of July 4th. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 64**

3 Aug 1812 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to A.L. Joncheres. Thanks Joncheres for the offer of the charts and suggests that he have a bookseller engrave them in order to make copies. (2 pages)

**Folder 65**

9 Aug 1812 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Fontaine Maury. Laments the loss of a relation and friend, George Jefferson. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 66**

12 Oct 1812 ALS Thomas H. Williams, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Inquired at Mr. Magruder's office with respect to the batture pamphlet and found that they were 20 or 30 short for the members present. (2 pages)

**Folder 67**

16 Dec 1812 ANS Mary C. Oglesby to Mrs. McCluer. Requests payment for cloth she wove. (2 pages)

19 Dec 1812

ALS Thomas Williamson, Norfolk, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a certificate of Jefferson's presence in London to settle a bet between himself and Mr. McIntosh. The information provided by Mr. Hay was not enough to satisfy McIntosh, and Williamson requests a note from Jefferson himself stating if he has been to London and met with the king. (2 pages) (The certificate dated December 17, 1812, signed by George Hay is contained in the upper portion of this letter. It states that

Hay knew Jefferson to have been in England after his mission in France and prior to his return. A notation in Jefferson's hand reads "from 1786 Mar. 11 to Apr. 26.")

**Folder 68**

25 Dec 1812 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Thomas Williamson. While Jefferson was in Europe he visited England three times. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 69**

22 Jan 1813 ALS Robert Morrell, M.D., Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Has this day put in the post office a book committed to his care in Paris and addressed to Jefferson. (2 pages)

**Folder 70**

24 Mar 1813 ALS Thomas Paine McMahon, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks for assistance for an appointment in the navy or army. (2 pages)

**Folder 71**

26 Apr 1813 ANS James Jervey, Thomas Bennett, Jr., Charles Elliott, L. Cohen, and Robert Y. Hayne, Charleston, South Carolina, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a copy of an oration delivered before the Seventy Six Association on March 4th. (2 pages)

**BOX 9: May 1813–July 1817**

**Folder 1**

10 May 1813 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Poplar Forest, to Mrs. [Elizabeth] Trist. Forwards a book that he found amusing. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 2**

22 May 1813 ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Messrs. Jervey, Bennett, Elliott, Cohen, and Hayne, members of the standing committee of the Seventy Six Association. Returns his thanks for the copy of Mr. Elliott's oration and adds, "The zeal expressed on these anniversary occasions for our republican institutions authorizes a hope that they will be long maintained." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 3**

23 May 1813 ALS Lucy F. Smith, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Requests assistance in procuring a midshipman's warrant for her son Walter. (2 pages)

31 May 1813 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Lucy F. Smith. Explains why he can no longer solicit offices for his friends. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 4**

7 Aug 1813 ALS Thomas Newton, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Introduces Mr. Richard E. Lee of Norfolk who would like to meet Jefferson. (2 pages)

15 Aug 1813 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Peter Minor. Received yesterday the act for the assessment of congressional taxes and sees that a collector and principal assessor are to be appointed and proposes to consult with as many persons as possible to find the persons to recommend to the president. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 5**

7 Sept 1813 ALS John Sen Trescot, M.D., to Thomas Jefferson. Sends an honorary membership in the Literary and Philosophical Society of South Carolina. (2 pages)

20 Oct 1813 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Dr. John Trescot. Thanks him for the honorary membership in the Literary and Philosophical Society of South Carolina but fears he will be an unprofitable member. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 6**

[Dec] 1813 Printed minutes of a meeting of the United States' Military Philosophical Society held in New York City on November 1, 1813. (6 pages)

**Folder 7**

14 Dec 1813 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to F. Andre Michaux, Paris. Thanks Michaux for the copies of his work on the forest trees of America; also talks about the merinos and believes that their wool will soon be an article of export. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 8**

19 Dec 1813 ALS Egerton Leigh, Lexington, Virginia, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a letter from Dr. Ramsey of Charleston, South Carolina. (no enclosure included). (2 pages)

**Folder 9**

24 Dec 1813 ALS Shotwell & Kinder, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Have taken the liberty of sending Jefferson a few yards of cloth, sufficient for an overcoat, composed of one part common wool and two parts hair from black cattle, believing it can be worked as easily as wool alone. (2 pages)

**Folder 10**

30 Dec 1813 ALS David A. Leonard, Bristol, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks his advice on moving to the western country. (2 pages)

**Folder 11**

2 Jan 1814

ALS David A. Leonard, Bristol, Rhode Island, to Thomas Jefferson. Refers to his letter of December 30, concerning settlement of the West and adds that he would like to settle near some navigable waters and asks Jefferson for his views on the Missouri Territory. (2 pages)

**Folder 12**

20 Jan 1814

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to David A. Leonard, Bristol, Rhode Island. Thinks that the Mississippi Territory has a preference over every other part of the western country. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 13**

21 Jan 1814

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Egerton Leigh. He has learned with regret of Leigh's sickness. Suggests the hot springs of Bath County. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 14**

29 Jan 1814

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Dr. James Lyons. Refers him to Archibald Threat, the executor of Mr. Eppes, who handled the administration of Mr. Wayles' estate. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 15**

12 Mar 1814

ANS Thomas Jefferson [initials only]. Explains that the bearer, William McClure, removed from North Carolina to Jefferson's neighborhood (Monticello) to instruct us in the use of the spinning jenny. This is a machine to spin cloth that McClure can both make and teach others how to use. (2 pages, polygraph[?])

**Folder 16**

4 May 1814

ALS Joseph Wheaton, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Concerns Wheaton's help with the establishment of a mail route to New Orleans through the Creek Indian Nation and his subsequent persecution through the vile Mr. Granger and his present position under Mr. Madison. (2 pages)

**Folder 17**

29 June 1814

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John Wilson, Washington. Presents his compliments and thanks Wilson for the copy of his philosophical entertainments. (2 pages, polygraph[?])

**Folder 18**

7 Aug 1814

ADS Thomas Jefferson. Promissory note to Hugh Nelson for \$105 with notation that it was paid with interest on June 21. (signature torn) (2 pages, polygraph)

12 Aug 1814

ANS John Nicholas to Thomas Jefferson. Mrs. Marks (Jefferson's

sister) does not want Jefferson to send for her until he hears from her and adds that Mrs. R. Jefferson has been very sick. (2 pages)

**Folder 19**

[1815]

AD Thomas Jefferson. List of state taxes for 1814. Appears to be derived from the printed page and pamphlet also contained in this folder. (2 pages) (This folder includes a printed page titled "An Act, Imposing Taxes for the support of Government," passed December 21, 1814, with Jefferson's notation "Taxes. State. 1815." [2 pages], and a pamphlet titled "An Act To amend . . . the mode of ascertaining the taxable property within the Commonwealth, and of collecting the Public Revenue," passed January 7, 1815, with Jefferson's notation "Taxes. 1815." [12 pages])

**Folder 20**

2 Jan 1815

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Samuel Thurber. Richmond is the best place within the state for the establishment of a cotton factory. Jefferson believes that Thurber should visit Richmond personally. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 21**

9 Jan 1815

ALS John McAllister & Son, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Acknowledges the receipt of a pair of his spectacles and a set of glasses and believes the fault lay in the fact that the center of convexity was not in the center of the glass. (2 pages)

Enclosure: Circular advertisement of John McAllister and Son, spectacle manufacturers, Philadelphia. (2 pages)

**Folder 22**

30 Jan 1815

ALS Peter H. Wendover, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a small volume of sermons. (2 pages)

**Folder 23**

14 Apr 1815

ALS William Wingate, Haverhill, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses one sheet of the American Olive Branch, "which I wish you to put into the book I sent you." (no enclosure included) (2 pages)

25 Apr 1815

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to William Wingate. Returns the volume sent him with the advice that Wingate associate himself with some younger patron. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 24**

28 May 1815

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Poplar Forest, to Col. Watts. Endeavoring to get his treasury bills exchanged for bank bills and will call on Watts this evening or tomorrow. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 25**

28 May 1815 ALS John Watts to Thomas Jefferson. Will wait on Jefferson in the morning on his way to Lynchburg. (2 pages)

**Folder 26**

12 June 1815 ALS Charles Jouett, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks Jefferson to persuade Col. Monroe in his favor and adds, "If I go back to Kentucky without employment I shall be ruined." (2 pages)

15 June 1815 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Charles Jouett. Has written to the president as Jouett requested and has spoken to Col. Monroe on Jouett's behalf. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 27**

15 July 1815 ALS Hugh Williamson and Samuel L. Mitchell, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Inform Jefferson that he has been elected an honorary member of the Literary and Philosophical Society of New York. (2 pages)

**Folder 28**

12 Aug 1815 ALS Thomas P. McMahon, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Solicits Jefferson on his behalf for the continuation of his service in the army. (2 pages)

**Folder 29**

14 Aug 1815 ALS William Wingate, Haverhill, Massachusetts, to Thomas Jefferson. Received the volume returned by Jefferson; believes himself to be a prophet of the Lord; and would like to be an inspector at Newbury or postmaster at Haverhill. (3 pages)

**Folder 30**

17 Aug 1815 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Mr. Williamson and Mr. Mitchell. Thanks them for his honorary membership but fears he will be an unprofitable member. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 31**

19 Aug 1815 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Lilburne Jefferson. Explains that he was at the president's in Orange when he received Lilburne's brother's letter requesting Jefferson's presence at the next Buckingham Court to give evidence on their father's will. Jefferson says he would be glad to testify if subpoenaed. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 32**

23 Sept 1815 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Poplar Forest, to Dr. Jennings. Thanks Jennings for his pamphlet and has little doubt as to the great potency of a steam bath. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 33**

16 Oct 1815

ALS J. Manesca and V. Value, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Offer a modest production of their recently penned work. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 34**

18 Oct 1815

ALS A. Lacarriere Latour, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a prospectus of his historical memoir of the war in West Florida and Louisiana. (2 pages)

Enclosure: prospectus. (1 page)

**Folder 35**

24 Oct 1815

ALS John Minor, Fredericksburg, to Thomas Jefferson. Introduces the bearer, Mr. Dumolin from Ireland, who has come to America to settle. (2 pages)

**Folder 36**

26 Oct 1815

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Maj. Lacarriere LaTour. Presents his compliments and subscribes to LaTour's history of the war in West Florida and Louisiana, but Jefferson would prefer it in the original language. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 37**

26 Oct 1815

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to J. Manesca and V. Value. Presents his compliments, thanks them for the copy of the historiettes nouvelles. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 38**

10 Feb 1816

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Lilburne Jefferson. Asks Lilburne to come and stay with him until the question of his brother's will is decided. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 39**

28 Feb 1816

Newspaper clipping listing Virginia taxes for the year 1816. (1 page)

**Folder 40**

1 Mar [1816]

Newspaper clipping. Quotes a letter written by Daniel Smith on 8 December 1815 concerning the boundary that runs between Virginia and North Carolina. (1 page) **Oversize**

**Folder 41**

7 Apr 1816

ADS Giovanni Carmignani, professor of law at the Imperial University of Pisa and advocate in the courts of Florence, to Thomas Jefferson. Informs Jefferson of Filippo Mazzei's death. The document includes endorsements and seals of the chancellor of the university and the

governor of the city, April 16, 1816, and of the U.S. consul, Thomas Appleton, April 15, 1816. (4 pages, in Italian)

**Folder 42**

8 Apr 1816

ALS William Wingate, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a volume for his perusal that he would like returned and asks for help in obtaining a government office. (2 pages)

**Folder 43**

14 Apr 1816

ALS C.P. de Lasteyrie to Thomas Jefferson. Introduces George Flower, a man possessed of a high degree of wisdom and reason. Lasteyrie adds that he has gone into the lithographic business in Paris and believes lithography will do much for the arts and sciences. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 44**

1 May 1816

ALS John Mackey, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks for the return of his papers regarding education. (2 pages)

**Folder 45**

4 May 1816

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to William Wingate. Received and is returning his manuscript of his interpretations of the Revelations and their application to Napoleon Bonaparte. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 46**

9 May 1816

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John Mackey. "I do not meddle in printing any thin[g] my time of life requires rest of body and mind and that I should withdraw myself from all correspondence which no special duty makes incumbent on me. The existing generation possesses as much wisdom as that which preceded them, and will, I am confident, take as good care of their affairs." (2 pages, polygraph) (This letter is written on the face of an old envelope but the back contains the draft of a letter dated 10 May 1816 that appears to be related to the same subject.)

**Folder 47**

27 May 1816

ALS James Warrell, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. (The letter is written on the inside pages of a circular.) Sends a circular regarding the erection of a museum to be built in Capitol Square, Richmond, Virginia, and hopes Jefferson will become a patron. (4 pages)

**Folder 48**

1 June 1816

ALS LaKanal, Vevay, Indiana, to Thomas Jefferson. LaKanal lives in the French colony of Vevay and intends to write a history of the United States for which he has been collecting information for ten years. (4 pages, in French)



**Folder 49**

2 June 1816

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to James Warrell. Fears that neither the population nor pursuits of Richmond are as yet such to support a museum. (2 pages, polygraph, transcription included)

**Folder 50**

10 July 1816

ALS John Taylor, Port Royal, Carolina, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello. "I have imposed upon myself many years past, the three tasks of attempting to do something towards advancing agriculture, education, and political knowledge; and the Enquiry was written to discharge the last." Taylor gives his views of political science, says Mr. Adams favored him with a long criticism on the *Enquiry*, and that he has sent a bag of Swedish turnip seeds to Dr. Bankhead. (4 pages)

**Folder 51**

12 July 1816

ALS G. Vrolick, Amsterdam, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. States the king has given to the institute at Amsterdam the title of Royal Institute of Science, Letters, and Fine Arts of the Low Countries and names the new members. (3 pages, in French)

**Folder 52**

27 July 1816

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Jacob Koontz. Received his papers soliciting justice in his claims for military service and he has turned them over to the secretary at war. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 53**

1 Oct 1816

ALS Jethro Wood, Aurora, to Thomas Jefferson. Wood's firm is sending Jefferson a plough as "a respectful tribute to thy ingenuity." (2 pages)

**Folder 54**

10 Oct 1816

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to William Munford. Regarding the application of Mr. Kennon for the position of midshipman. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 55**

1 Mar 1817

ALS Peter H. Wendover, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a volume of sermons by Rev. Dr. McLeod. (no enclosure included) (2 pages)

**Folder 56**

23 Mar 1817

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Jethro Wood. Thanks Wood for the plough and "shall exhibit it with pleasure to the notice of our practical, as well as our theoretical farmers." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 57**

1 May 1817 ALS Jean Mourer, island of St. Pierre, Lake Bienne, Canton Berne, Switzerland, to Thomas Jefferson. Many Swiss and Germans are leaving monthly for America and wants to know if it is true that immigrants will be bought on their arrival to serve as indentured servants. (4 pages, in French, translation included)

**Folder 58**

22 July 1817 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John Letellier. The town of Charlottesville is in need of a good silversmith. (2 pages, polygraph)

**BOX 10: August 1817–1821**

**Folder 1**

1 Aug 1817 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to the Members of the '76 Association of Charleston. Sends thanks to their standing committee for the copy of the eloquent oration of Mr. Elliott. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 2**

11 Aug 1817 ALS John LeTellier, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Gratified by Jefferson's esteem for him but Letellier cannot leave his present position and cannot recommend another silversmith for the position in Charlottesville. (2 pages)

**Folder 3**

12 Aug 1817 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Poplar Forest, to Charles Johnson, Samuel Harrison, and Archibald Robertson. Presents Mr. de Laage, who recently removed from France to Lynchburg, and says de Laage is "highly esteemed by all for his great worth." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 4**

12 Aug 1817 ALS Maxfield Ludlow, surveyor general's office, Washington, Mississippi, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. Encloses a transcription copy of a certificate signed by Gideon Fitz, principal department surveyor of the South West District, state of Louisiana, regarding a subscription list for a map which Ludlow is having engraved, showing the correct Indian boundary lines of the Western Land District of Louisiana lying south of the Red River. Ludlow sends a copy of Fitz's certification because Ludlow believes the maps of Mr. Darby are inaccurate. (4 pages)

**Folder 5**

12 Aug 1817 Prospectus. "A Map of the State of Louisiana with a part of the State of Mississippi and Alabama Territory," printed in the form of a circular. (1 page) **Oversize** (The date is penciled on back in an unknown hand and the prospectus presumably goes with the above letter of the same date.)

**Folder 6**

18 Sept 1817      ALS Thomas Jefferson, Poplar Forest, to Mr. Newhall. Begs leave to return the shoes that “he got of him yesterday” because they do not fit. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 7**

20 Sept 1817      ALS Joshua Stow, Middletown, Connecticut, to Thomas Jefferson. Connecticut had their semi-annual election for the state legislature and as a result “Hierarchy and aristocracy no longer rule this State” because there will be about two Republicans to one Federalist in the House of Representatives. (2 pages)

**Folder 8**

6 Oct 1817      ALS William Munford, clerk to the Literary Fund, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends documents regarding a system of public education for Virginia. (no enclosures included) (2 pages)

27 Oct 1817      ALS Jacob Latting, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Submits transcribed copies of letters of M. Young (dated Madrid, March 16, 1801) and James Madison (dated Department of State, July 30, 1806) pertaining to Latting’s claim on the Spanish government. (4 pages)

**Folder 9**

5 Jan 1818      ALS S. Milon, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson. Heard of Jefferson’s search for teachers for his college and offers his services. Milon is qualified to teach music, dance, drawing, and after learning English, can teach Italian, French, and arithmetic. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 10**

28 Mar 1818      ALS James Smith, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson. Presents a copy of Smith’s plan to render vaccination more universal and better understood in the United States. (2 pages)

3 Apr 1818      ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to James Smith. Presents his compliments, and thanks Smith for his papers regarding universal vaccination. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 11**

21 May 1818      ALS John McKinney, Green Creek, Bourbon County, Kentucky, to Thomas Jefferson, Albemarle County, Virginia. Trying to procure a panther skin for Jefferson and now has in his possession six elks, three bucks, and three does from his son in Missouri, which he would like to sell. (2 pages)

23 May 1818      ALS John McKinney, Green Creek, Bourbon County, Kentucky, to Thomas Jefferson, Albemarle County, Virginia. Again mentions the

procurement of a panther skin and the elk and deer skins from Missouri. (2 pages)

**Folder 12**

28 May 1818

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Judge Archibald Stuart. Sends merino wool, and suggests if Stuart ever has business in Charlottesville to make his headquarters at Monticello. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 13**

28 May 1818

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Dr. Hugh Steel. Will forward Steel's communication to the American Philosophical Society at Philadelphia. (2 pages, polygraph[?])

**Folder 14**

10 June 1818

ANS F. Andre Michaux, Paris, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends his homage to the author. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 15**

15 June 1818

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John McKinney. Thanks him for the offer of the elk and panther skins "but the advance of years has taught me to wind up old cares rather than engage in new ones, and I have lost all interest in things of this kind." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 16**

3 July 1818

ALS William S. Jacobs, M.D., St. Croix, to Thomas Jefferson, Virginia. Requests the position of American consul in St. Thomas. (4 pages)

**Folder 17**

8 July 1818

ALS John Wharton to Thomas Jefferson. Asks various questions regarding Oliver Evans' patent rights, "particularly his Hopperboy." (2 pages)

**Folder 18**

10 July 1818

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Poplar Forest, to Capt. John Wharton. The elevator and conveyor have been used for thousands of years, the hopper boy was invented in Maryland and Pennsylvania and in use for many years before Evans' patent, and "his corn crusher stands only on his [Evans'] patent right, and is a gross plagiarism." (2 pages, polygraph) (This letter is written on the back of an envelope and over a reply from R. Pollard accepting an invitation to dinner that is dated 6 December 1817.)

**Folder 19**

23 July 1818

ALS William Kean, Norfolk, to Thomas Jefferson. Submits the drawing and specifications of his invention that Kean believes will be a

cheap substitute for steam navigation and would like Jefferson's opinion. (2 pages)

**Folder 20**

4 Aug 1818

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Rockfish Gap, to William Kean. Returns his papers unconsidered for "the torpor of age presses heavily" on him. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 21**

28 Oct 1818

ALS George Wyche, Hicksford, Greensville County, Virginia, to Thomas Jefferson. Has been appointed to make a survey of the Blue Ridge Mountains but has had some difficulty with his calculations. Wyche would like to compare his measurement of the Peak of Otter with that of Jefferson's and would also like to know what instruments Jefferson used. (2 pages)

**Folder 22**

7 Nov 1818

ALS John Stevens, Hoboken, near New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses various communications for Jefferson's perusal. (no enclosures included) (2 pages)

**Folder 23**

10 Nov 1818

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to George Wyche. Responds to Wyche's inquires regarding Jefferson's measurements of the Peak of Otter. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 24**

23 Nov 1818

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John Stevens. Returns Stevens's papers unopened and unread as "age and its consequent infirmities of body and relaxation of mind have obliged me to retire from all general correspondence." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 25**

26 Nov 1818

ALS Veuve Walsh, Montpellier, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes as the widow of the late Maj. Walsh who died in Florida and asks Jefferson's assistance in locating a heritage left to her by her late husband. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 26**

21 Feb 1819

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Fontaine Maury. Thanks Maury for the wheat that Jefferson intends to give to his son-in-law Col. Randolph. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 27**

11 Mar 1819

ALS George G. Minor, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. Asks Jefferson for a loan of \$5000 to set himself up in

business to support himself, his wife and four children. (4 pages)

**Folder 28**

15 Mar 1819

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Judge Archibald Stuart. The success of Mr. Cosby's application will depend on the terms Cosby offers. Jefferson adds, "The land north of the Carolina line in the bend of Tennessee, Ohio and Mississippi were always deemed the property of the Chickasaws, although the Cherokees set up some vague claims in that quarter." Jefferson adds that he and Mr. Henry tried to secure that land for Virginia claimants and that he had directed Gen. Clark to erect a fort on the first bluff above longitude 36° 30' on the bank of the Mississippi. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 29**

4 Apr 1819

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Mr. Schaer. No funds of the University of Virginia may be applied to the purchase of books or philosophical instruments. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 30**

9 Apr 1819

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Judge Archibald Stuart. Mr. Cosby was so well recommended that Jefferson was anxious for him to work at the university, but Cosby's terms rendered it impossible. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 31**

May 1819

ALS David McClure, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. He is sending a model of a mathematical instrument he is about to patent. (2 pages)

5 May 1819

ALS Thomas Lamberti to Thomas Jefferson. (2 pages, Italian)

**Folder 32**

7 May 1819

ALS M. Sterling, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a diploma of honorary membership on behalf of the Agricultural Society of the County of Jefferson, New York. (2 pages)

**Folder 33**

14 May 1819

ALS John L. Meredith, Urbana, Ohio, to Thomas Jefferson. He and Isaac Walker, one quarter Indian, have considered writing a book on the origin, traditions, habits, etc. of the Wyandot Indian Nation and request Jefferson's advice on the project. (2 pages)

**Folder 34**

15 May 1819

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to David McClure. Received his letter and model of the mathematical instrument and believes it to be ingenious and useful but would not recommend it for the public. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 35**

25 May 1819

ALS Christopher Winckelblech, Trapp, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, to Thomas Jefferson. Returns a letter which he has just recovered. (2 pages)

**Folder 36**

19 June 1819

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to M. Sterling. Thanks him for the honor conferred upon him by the Jefferson Society. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 37**

28 July 1819

ALS William Logan, Charleston, South Carolina, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a copy of the oration delivered by Mr. Condry before the '76 Association. (2 pages)

21 Sep 1819

ANS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to William Logan. Presents his compliments and thanks him for the copy of Condry's speech delivered last 4th of July. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 38**

7 Nov 1819

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Return J. Meigs. Recommends Thomas Eston Randolph, Jefferson's neighbor, friend, and relation, as postmaster for Richmond. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 39**

4 Dec 1819

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia, to Messrs. Debure freres, Libraires du Roi, Paris [Debure brothers of the King's Library]. The books have arrived in New York and he is intending to import books from England this year and will not be placing an order with the brothers. (3 pages)

**Folder 40**

18 Dec 1819

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Judge Archibald Stuart. He has looked over Mr. Fuller's "supposed discovery of the longitude" and found that "what of his supposed discovery is solid, is not new, and what is new is not solid." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 41**

30 Dec 1819

ALS F.C. Schaeffer, pastor, Evangelical Lutheran Church of New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a "Report on Idleness and Sources of Employment made to the Managers of the Society for the Prevention of Pauperism" and asks for Jefferson's opinion. (2 pages)

**Folder 42**

7 Jan 1820

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Rev. F.C. Schaeffer. Received his pamphlet on pauperism but Jefferson does not feel qualified to

make an opinion because he lives in the country where there is little poverty. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 43**

28 Jan 1820

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Dr. J.W. Webster. Thanks him for the offer to procure his valuable collection of minerals but regrets that the University of Virginia is not in the position to take advantage of Webster's offer. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 44**

10 Mar 1820

ALS David L. Morril, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Remarks Morril made to the U.S. Senate regarding the question of Missouri. (2 pages)

**Folder 45**

27 Mar 1820

ALS John C. Wells to Thomas Jefferson. "I hold your bond which has been due some time" and requests payment. (2 pages)

**Folder 46**

5 Apr 1820

ANS Thomas Jefferson to David L. Morril. Returns his thanks for the copy of his speech on the Missouri question and offers "his congratulations on it's being laid to sleep, his wishes that it may never again be awakened. . . ." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 47**

12 May 1820

ALS John C. Wells, Charlottesville, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello. He is in want of money and hopes that Jefferson will settle his bond. (2 pages)

13 May 1820

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John C. Wells. "I am sincerely mortified at my total inability to meet the demand in your letter of yesterday." He asks indulgence to put off payment until next month when he has assurance of receiving a debt due him. (signature barely visible) (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 48**

7 July 1820

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Rufus Woodward, New Haven. Reports that all determinations regarding professors have been postponed until the necessary buildings have been erected. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 49**

13 July 1820

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Julius Oliver. Speaks of the death of Mr. Cathalan with deep regret and goes on to say the wine and other articles arrived safely. (2 pages, polygraph)



**Folder 50**

16 Sep 1820

ALS Thomas Newton, Norfolk, to Thomas Jefferson. Introduces the bearer, Everard Hall, who would like to pay his respects to Jefferson. (2 pages)

**Folder 51**

25 Sep 1820

ALS J. Wharton, Nashville, Tennessee, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks to what college he should send his son and nephew and wonders "if the seminary near Charlottesville will be in complete operation in the spring." (2 pages)

**Folder 52**

19 Oct 1820

ALS David McClure, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a description of a plotting table and a report on his latest survey of a section of the Delaware River. (2 pages)

**Folder 53**

25 Oct 1820

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to J. Wharton. The buildings of the University of Virginia will be completed in twelve months' time and recommends Columbia College as the best seminary. (signature badly faded) (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 54**

20 Dec 1820

ALS E. Lewis, Mobile, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello. Encloses a circular entitled "Truth is not Calumny," in which Lewis denounces Harry Toulmin, former judge on Tombeckbe, and Abner S. Lipscombe. (2 pages) (This folder also contains the circular. 1 page)

**Folder 55**

10 Feb 1821

ALS Lewis Williams, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Expresses his admiration for Jefferson's principles and believes that the national expenditures "are greater than the genius or policy of the government can justify" and will "lead inevitably to a system of internal taxation." (2 pages)

**Folder 56**

3 Mar 1821

ALS Samuel Wood, New York, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. Writes on the subject of slavery and finds it inconsistent that the signers of the Declaration of Independence should hold slaves. Wood also expresses his views on the "degrading and to be dreaded Missouri question." (4 pages)

**Folder 57**

25 Apr 1821

ALS W[?] Wharton, Nashville, Tennessee, to Thomas Jefferson. Requests information about the tuition, board, and qualifications necessary to enter the University of Virginia. (2 pages)

**Folder 58**

13 May 1821

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to William Wharton. The buildings at the University of Virginia will be finished this winter but is uncertain when it will open. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 59**

30 May 1821

ALS William Beach Lawrence, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Going abroad and will execute any commissions Jefferson may have for him and requests letters of introduction from Jefferson to any of his acquaintances. (2 pages)

**Folder 60**

25 June 1821

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Jonathan Thompson. Thanks him for his notice about a box of seeds from the King's Garden in Paris and directs him to deliver the seeds to Dr. Hosack at the Botanical Garden of New York. If Dr. Hosack already has some, they are to go to Capt. Bernard Peyton of Charlottesville. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 61**

12 July 1821

ALS Francis C. Whiston, Fredericksburg, to Thomas Jefferson. He collects mementoes of great and important events and asks Jefferson if he could have any letters from Washington, LaFayette, Franklin, and Adams that Jefferson may have. (2 pages)

**Folder 62**

24 July 1821

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Francis Whiston. Responds to his request, "I consider a letter as a trust from one friend to another, and that it is a breach of that trust to communicate it without the consent of the writer." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 63**

6 Sep 1821

ALS Thomas Whittemore, Milford, Massachusetts, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. An oration delivered at the request of his townspeople of Milford, Massachusetts. Verso: Jefferson's draft response thanking Whittemore for the oration, 9 September 1821. (2 pages)

**Folder 64**

29 Oct 1821

ALS Edward Wiatt, Cumberland, Maryland, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks if Jefferson has a spare copy of "Jefferson's Parliamentary Manual" and promises to return it after the ensuing session of the state legislature. Verso: Jefferson's draft response conveying a copy of the first edition of the manual, dated 22 November 1821. (2 pages)

**Folder 65**

24 Nov 1821

DS E. Deplechier, secretary of the Louisiana State Insurance Company.

Policy #338 for the transport of two Negroes valued at \$1000 on the brig *Brazilian* from Norfolk, Virginia, to New Orleans for W. Kerner & Co. (2 pages) **Oversize**

**Folder 66**

2 Dec 1821

ALS William B. McCorkle, postmaster, Wadesboro, North Carolina, to Thomas Jefferson. Inquires on behalf of an old man about bounty lands for service rendered to Virginia during the Revolutionary War. (2 pages)

**Folder 67**

5 Dec 1821

ALS Jesse C. Young, publisher, Troy, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a copy of *Murray's English Grammar Simplified* by Allen Fisk, and asks for Jefferson's recommendations. (2 pages)

**Folder 68**

17 Dec 1821

ALS Thiebaut de Berneaud to Thomas Jefferson. Writes on behalf of the Societe Linneenne de Paris to ask permission to inscribe Jefferson's name among a list of men who by their talents and writings have opened new routes in the natural sciences. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 69**

18 Dec 1821

ALS William J. Macnenen, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Forwards a copy of a good chemical work and a chemical table. Verso: Jefferson's draft response thanking Macnenen for *Brand's Manual of Chemistry*, 13 January 1822. (2 pages)

**Folder 70**

24 Dec 1821

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Jesse C. Young. Thanks him for the abridged copy of *Murray's Grammar* and asks to be excused from its review and judgement. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 71**

31 Dec 1821

ALS Charles Le Brun, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Presents Jefferson with a copy of Gen. Kosciuzko's work *Liberte des Mers*. (1 page, in French) Verso: Jefferson's draft response thanking Le Brun for the books and stating that "nothing but a general concert of nations" can affect the freedom of the seas, 13 Jan 1822. (1 page)

**BOX 11: 1822–February 1825**

**Folder 1**

23 Jan 1822

ALS David Melville, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. Lighthouses are rendered almost useless in the winter when they are needed most due to the congealing of the oil which causes the lights to go out. Melville has an invention "by which the oil is kept warm by the heat communicated to it from the flame of

the same lamp.” Verso: Jefferson’s draft response states that he thinks the idea ingenious and wishes Melville success, 8 February 1822. (4 pages)

**Folder 2**

16 Feb 1822

AL Thomas Jefferson to J.M. Mason, principal of Dickinson College, Carlisle. Received a copy of Mason’s address given at Dickinson College. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 3**

16 Feb 1822

ALS Jedediah Morse, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Transmits a copy of the “Constitution of a Society, just established, which recognizes the general System of measures, or rather the spirit of them, which were pursued during your administration in reference to the Indian tribes in our country.” He also indicates that Jefferson has been appointed an office in the society but does not name the office or give the name of the society. (2 pages)

**Folder 4**

11 Mar 1822

ALS A. Wills to Thomas Jefferson. Studies scientific grammar and asks Jefferson’s advice as to the best course to pursue in order to attain a knowledge of the Saxon language. (2 pages)

**Folder 5**

12 May 1822

ALS Robert W. Wells, St. Charles, Missouri, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks Jefferson’s opinion as to the power and duty of judges and their ability, or lack there of, to determine an act constitutional or unconstitutional. (2 pages)

**Folder 6**

26 June 1822

ANS Thomas L. McKenney to Thomas Jefferson. Sends greetings and encloses his printed prospectus of the *Washington Republican and Congressional Examiner*. (2 pages)

Enclosure: printed prospectus. (1 page)

**Folder 7**

12 Aug 1822

ADf Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Edgar Mason, J.W. Brockenbrough, and Robert Saunders. Thanks them for the honorary membership in the society they have established but declines. (2 pages)

**Folder 8**

19 Sep 1822

ADS E.W. [Ennion Williams], Monticello. List of claims for improvements at Monticello including a drafting instrument and a sliding meridian. (2 pages)

**Folder 9**

23 Oct 1822

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Baron de Stackelberg, charge des affairs of Sweden. Writes on behalf of Mr. Runnels, whose son would like to be appointed consul to the United States on St. Vincent's, St. Lucia, Trinidad, or St. Kitt's. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 10**

29 Oct 1822

ALS Baron de Stackelberg, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Mr. Runnels and his son are men of great respectability and talent. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 11**

8 Nov 1822

ALS Virgil Maxcy, Tulip Hill, near Annapolis, Maryland, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a pamphlet regarding the Maryland Resolutions for the "appropriation of public land for the purpose of education" and asks Jefferson's opinion. (2 pages)

**Folder 12**

15 Nov 1882

ALS Nicholas Johnson, Union County, Indiana, to Thomas Jefferson. Recommends Col. Thomas Brown for a position in the new land office to be opened in Indiana. (2 pages)

**Folder 13**

20 Nov 1822

ADf Thomas Jefferson to Virgil Maxcy. Thanks Maxcy for the pamphlet, and adds that he has retired from the controversies of the world, "leaving the choice of measures to those who are to live under them." (2 pages)

**Folder 14**

21 Dec 1822

ALS Joel Yancey, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Expresses his friendship before leaving for Key West, Florida, where he will be collector of customs. (2 pages)

**Folder 15**

25 Dec 1822

ALS William Zollickoffer, Middleburg, Maryland, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends four copies of a "little treatise on the use of Prussiate Iron in intermitting and remitting fevers." (2 pages)

**Folder 16**

7 Jan 1823

ALS Hugh White, chairman of the Columbian Union Society, Claudy Hill, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. Presents a proposal for a meeting of "the immense Columbian Nation." (4 pages)

**Folder 17**

13 Jan 1823

ALS Ennion Williams, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Has a colored

print of the University of Virginia that is hanging in the lobby of the state legislature and Williams believes the legislature will grant liberally for the completion of the University. Verso: Jefferson's draft response says it would not suit the Board of Visitors to sell Williams' engraving because the university has engaged a landscape artist from Philadelphia to draw a perspective of the two rows of pavilions and the rotunda, 19 January 1823. (2 pages)

**Folder 18**

3 Mar 1823

ADf Thomas Jefferson to Return J. Meigs. Asks if his mail could be sent to Charlottesville instead of Milton. (2 pages)

**Folder 19**

7 Mar 1823

ALS Return J. Meigs, General Post Office Department, to Thomas Jefferson. He has given directions so that Jefferson's letters and packages will be sent to Charlottesville. (2 pages)

**Folder 20**

24 Mar 1823

ADS J.W. Davis, Charlottesville. Lists the mail schedule for Fredericksburg, Richmond, and Lynchburg. (2 pages)

**Folder 21**

11 Apr 1823

ALS James O. Morse, Cherry Valley, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks if he considers John Quincy Adams as a member of the Republican party. (2 pages)

**Folder 22**

5 June 1823

ALS James O. Morse, Cherry Valley, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks him for his response on April 30 that he intends to put in a frame and save for his children. (2 pages)

**Folder 23**

10 June 1823

ADfS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Jared Mansfield, professor of mathematics at West Point. Introduces his great-nephew, Dabney Overton Carr, who will be attending West Point. (2 pages)

**Folder 24**

28 June 1823

ALS Jose Antonio Miralla, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Thinks Richmond to be truly beautiful and regrets that he must return to Havana. (2 pages)

**Folder 25**

30 June 1823

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to James O. Morse. Consents to having his letter published if he is allowed to make certain corrections. (2 pages)

**Folder 26**

8 July 1823

ADfS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Leroy and Bayard. The delay in paying his bond is due to the tardiness of getting his produce to market. (2 pages)

**Folder 27**

10 July 1823

ALS Leroy, Bayard & Co., New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Would like to receive the interest on the Van Staphorst bond. (2 pages)

**Folder 28**

14 July 1823

ALS Jose Antonio Miralla, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a copy of Gray's *Elegy* in Spanish for Miss Ellen. The letter is written on the inside page of a printed elegy titled "Traduccion." (3 pages)

**Folder 29**

18 July 1823

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Leroy, Bayard & Co. Jefferson's grandson is on his way to Bedford to expedite the discharge of his remaining bond to the Van Staphorsts, and Col. Peyton will remit the interest of the last year. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 30**

19 July 1823

ALS C. Schultz, Schultz's Range, Virginia, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of pamphlet previously sent regarding the defense of Dewitt Clinton. (2 pages)

**Folder 31**

21 July 1823

ALS Abner Kneeland, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks if Jefferson has received Kneeland's Greek and English testament. (2 pages)

**Folder 32**

26 July 1823

ALS Leroy, Bayard & Co., New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Thanks Jefferson for the remittance of the year's interest. (2 pages)

**Folder 33**

16 Aug 1823

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Abner Kneeland. Asked Mr. Laval, Jefferson's bookseller in Philadelphia, to pay his subscription. (2 pages)

**Folder 34**

[Sept 1823]

ALS Peter Nagle, Reading, Pennsylvania, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends Jefferson the proceedings of a small band of soldiers assembled "probably for the last time on this side of the grave." (2 pages)

4 Sep 1823

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Peter Nagle, Reading, Pennsylvania. Thanks Nagle for the letter and the proceedings

of the venerable band of [Revolutionary War] soldiers that assembled at Reading. (Middle portion of first four sentences is torn out). (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 35**

13 Nov 1823

ADf Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Gulielmus Ludlow. Regarding Jefferson's debt which he will pay in two installments. (2 pages)

**Folder 36**

13 Nov 1823

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Leroy and Bayard. Thanks them for the indulgence of his debt which Jefferson will pay in two installments. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 37**

19 Nov 1823

ALS E.D. Withers, Fredericksburg, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks if Jefferson would like to continue as a subscriber to the *Edinburgh Review*. (This letter is written in the lower portion of a circular for Withers' Book & Stationary Store. It advertises that he has purchased the entire stock of books and stationery from William F. Gray of Fredericksburg.) (2 pages)

**Folder 38**

25 Nov 1823

AL Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to E.D. Withers. Jefferson wishes to continue his subscription to the *Edinburgh Review*, and would also like to take the *North American Review*. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 39**

28 Nov 1823

ANS Gulian Ludlow, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. He received and forwarded Jefferson's letter for N. and J. and K. Van Staphorst of Amsterdam. (2 pages)

**Folder 40**

[Dec 1823]

Program. A prize offered by the Societe Linneenne de Paris for practical and economical changes in methods of cultivation. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 41**

23 Dec 1823

AL Mr. Nichols, Charlottesville, to Thomas Jefferson. Invites Jefferson to an exhibition of ventriloquism at the Central Hotel in Charlottesville. (2 pages)

**Folder 42**

30 Dec 1823

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Rev. William Matthews, rector of St. Patrick's Church. Encloses \$25 for a good and faithful servant, Mrs. Dougherty, and her husband. (2 pages, polygraph)



**Folder 43**

8 Feb 1824

ANS William Newburn to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses seeds of cowslip and primrose from England and hopes they will be suitable to Mrs. Randolph. (2 pages)

**Folder 44**

8 Mar 1824

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to John B. West, Nashville. Apologizes that he cannot give West any information regarding Byrd's letters. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 45**

21 Mar 1824

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to H. Mitchell, Lynchburg. Declines all opinions on the subject of Mitchell's letter and advises he send it to a department of science. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 46**

1 Apr 1824

ALS Thomas McKean, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Preparing the biography of his father and would appreciate any information Jefferson may have. (2 pages)

**Folder 47**

10 Apr 1824

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Thomas McKean. Happy to learn of a biography of Judge McKean with whom he served in "revolutionary scenes." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 48**

30 Apr 1824

ADS Littleberry H. Mosby, Powhatan County, to Thomas Jefferson. Diagram of a series of pumps to raise water including a key or legend explaining the device and asking Jefferson's opinion of the device. (2 pages)

**Folder 49**

11 May 1824

ALS Samuel L. Mitchell and Felix Pascalis, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Write as members of the Linneau Society of Paris, and invite Jefferson to be present at the anniversary of their "titular sage." (2 pages)

**Folder 50**

17 May 1824

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Dr. Samuel Mitchell and Dr. Felix Pascalis. Thanks them for their invitation, and believes that he will soon be meeting the great Naturalist himself. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 51**

12 June 1824

ALS Stephen T. Mitchell, Lynchburg, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello. Asks his sanction to the literary work Mitchell is about to

undertake. (2 pages)

**Folder 52**

22 June 1824

ALS Le Comte de Scagnelli, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Has a letter for Jefferson from Professor Pietet of Geneva giving the rules of the Society of Arts established in that city. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 53**

24 June 1824

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Stephen T. Mitchell, Lynchburg. Breaks his rule of declining subscriptions to subscribe to Mitchell's work. (2 pages)

**Folder 54**

28 June 1824

ALS William Watkins, Morven, Powhatan County, to Thomas Jefferson. Inquires about the lands held by the late Col. Henry Skipworth, "in right of his wife, formerly Miss Wayles." Watkins wants to know if his wife, E.G. Randolph, has any claim to the Skipworth lands. (2 pages)

**Folder 55**

3 July 1824

ALS Lewis A. Tarascon, Shippingport, Kentucky, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes on the propriety of establishing a wagon road to the Pacific Ocean. He would like Jefferson to induce some newspaper printers to publish his ideas. Encloses a circular he has written. (4 pages)

Enclosure: One-page circular titled "To the people of the United States, on the propriety of establishing a Wagon Road, from the River Missouri to the River Columbia, of the Pacific Ocean." (1 page)

**Oversize**

**Folder 56**

11 July 1824

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to William Watkins, Morven. The papers concerning Mr. Wayles' estate were placed with the late Col. Francis Eppes; mentions a deed of settlement that Jefferson believes will clear up any doubts as to titles to Col. Skipworth's holdings. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 57**

25 July 1824

ALS Thomas Taylor for R.G. Beasley, Havre, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a bill of lading for a bale and a small parcel of books. (2 pages)

Enclosure: 24 July 1823, bill of lading signed by Andrew Smith. (1 page)

**Folder 58**

15 Aug 1824 ALS Ira H. Taylor, Canonsburgh, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a list of the trustees, faculty and students of Jefferson College. (This letter is written on the inside page of a printed catalogue titled "Catalogue of the Officers and Students of Jefferson College, Canonsburg, Pa.," which includes the course of study for each class as well as the cost.) (4 pages)

**Folder 59**

26 Aug 1824 ALS John Miller, London, to Thomas Jefferson. Advises Jefferson that Maj. Cartwright has sent him a small packet that he may apply for in New York. Miller says, "Mr. Washington Irving, with whom I have long had the pleasure of being acquainted, has just launched his new work and with every prospect of a great sale." (2 pages)

**Folder 60**

27 Aug 1824 ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Ira H. Taylor, Canonsburg, Pennsylvania. Thanks Taylor for the catalogue and speaks of the University of Virginia and its search for professors at the universities of Oxford, Cambridge, and Edinburgh. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 61**

2 Sep 1824 ALS P. Lambert, New Orleans, to Thomas Jefferson. Presents his theory of the movement of matter and asks Jefferson's opinion on the law of atoms. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 62**

5 Sep 1824 ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Gulian Ludlow. Asked Col. Peyton to remit \$1208.20 to Van Staphorst because Jefferson was delayed due to the tardiness of getting his produce to market. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 63**

6 Sep 1824 ALS Gulian Ludlow, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. He has received \$1280.20 from Peyton for Jefferson's account. (2 pages)

**Folder 64**

6 Sep 1824 ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to William Munford. Declines to give his opinion of Munford's translation of Homer. (2 pages)

**Folder 65**

10 Sep 1824 ALS Gulian Ludlow, New York, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello. Has received \$1280.20 from Peyton for Jefferson's account with N. and J. and K. Van Staphorst. (2 pages)

**Folder 66**

4 Oct 1824

ALS John Farmer, St. Leonard's, Calvert County, Maryland, to Thomas Jefferson. Presents a copy of the Declaration of Independence in Latin and should his translation have merit, Farmer requests a position as a teacher and asks when the university will be open. (2 pages)

Enclosure: Declaration of Independence in Latin is signed by Farmer. (2 pages) **Oversize**

**Folder 67**

9 Oct 1824

ADf Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Robert G. Scott. Declines the invitation of the volunteer companies of Virginia due to age and infirmities. (2 pages)

**Folder 68**

16 Oct 1824

ANS Dr. New, son of Col. Anthony New, to Thomas Jefferson. Desires to pay his respects to Jefferson, along with "three gentlemen from the Gulf of Mexico." (3 pages)

**Folder 69**

10 Nov 1824

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Robert Lewis. Thanks Lewis for the invitation to a dinner in honor of Gen. LaFayette but declines due to age and disability. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 70**

7 Dec 1824

ALS Thomas W. White, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a copy of a pamphlet he has written and requests an endorsement of the work in the form of a "pretty lengthy and explicit . . . letter." (2 pages)

**Folder 71**

8 Dec 1824

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Catesby Jones. Cannot give specific answers to Catesby's numerous questions and refers him to an advertisement that will be put in the papers as soon as the professors arrive from England. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 72**

11 Dec 1824

ALS Joseph Wood, Washington, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes on behalf of Mr. Furst, who was engaged by Mr. Appleton as a die-sinker at the U.S. Mint and after many years of service was replaced by a man Wood believes will not be of equal professional merit to Furst. (2 pages)

**Folder 73**

20 Dec 1824

ADS P. Edwards, Jr., for John Winn, postmaster, Charlottesville. Mail schedule from the post office in Charlottesville listing arrivals,

departures, days, and times. (2 pages)

**Folder 74**

29 Dec 1824

ALS Alexander Smyth, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Smyth is about to publish an explanation of the apocalypse and asks for Jefferson's review. (2 pages)

**Folder 75**

6 Jan 1825

ALS Pieter Vreede, La Haye [The Hague], to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a book, which he believes contains some original ideas about industrialization. (2 pages, in French)

**Folder 76**

8 Jan 1825

ALS Alexander Smyth, Washington City, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses the proof sheet of a work on the apocalypse that Smyth is about to publish. (no enclosure included) (2 pages)

14 Jan 1825

ALS Alexander Smyth to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses the last proof sheet for his explanation of the apocalypse. (12 pages)

Enclosure: Proof sheet. (2 pages)

**Folder 77**

3 Feb 1825

ALS J.S. Johnston, senator from Louisiana, to Thomas Jefferson. Writes on behalf of Dr. Libby, formerly Indian agent at Natchitoches, whose vouchers of accounts are lost in the War Department. Libby was ordered by the secretary of war to bring "12 or 15 Indian chiefs & principal men to Washington" and, since Libby's account vouchers are missing, he is being charged with the expense of the trip. (2 pages)

**Folder 78**

12 Feb 1825

ALS Giles Sanford, Erie, Pennsylvania. Includes transcription copy of testimonials given by Sanford, John Shadduck, and Charles Reed certifying premiums awarded by the Erie County Agricultural Society at a fair in Erie on 13 November 1823. (4 pages)

**Folder 79**

26 Feb 1825

ALS Dr. Thomas Jefferson Ward, Waynesborough, Wayne County, North Carolina, to Thomas Jefferson. Offers money to relieve Jefferson of his pecuniary embarrassments. (2 pages)

**BOX 12: April 1825–1826, no date**

**Folder 1**

1 Apr 1825

Circular. List of arrivals and departures of the mail for Fredericksburg, Richmond, Staunton, Lynchburg, Buckingham and "Plough & Harrow Mail," John Winn, postmaster, Charlottesville. (2 pages)

**Folder 2**

2 June 1825 ALS George Thompson, Shawanee Springs, Mercer County, Kentucky, to Thomas Jefferson. Thompson is an old Charlottesville neighbor who has not seen Jefferson for thirty years. He has just returned from seeing Gen. Lafayette and was impressed with his park containing buffalo, elk, and deer. Thompson, now living in Kentucky, describes his state's financial problems and the establishment of a Commonwealth Bank where the state is the only stockholder. (6 pages)

**Folder 3**

20 June 1825 ALS Robert Williams, Natchez, Mississippi, to Thomas Jefferson. Encloses a letter from a friend [Thomas Reed] of high standing who is about to enter the political arena. (2 pages)

17 June 1825 ALS Thomas B. Reed, Natchez, to Robert Williams, Washington. Enclosure to previous letter. Reed asks Williams to obtain Jefferson's opinion on a constitutional point: "whether a member of either branch of the General Assembly, after the meeting of the [next] Legislature after his election and during the period for which he may have been elected, is eligible to the Senate of the U.S." (4 pages)

23 July 1825 ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Robert Williams. Recalling their long friendship and stating, in answer to Reed's inquiry, that "I have long bid adieu to abstract questions, and above all things I wish to avoid everything controversial. The peace and goodwill of mankind is the solace of age. . . ." (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 4**

28 June 1825 ALS James McAboy, Kanawha, to Thomas Jefferson. Inquires about the University of Virginia and offers information on colleges of the West. (2 pages)

**Folder 5**

30 July 1825 ALS William Maclure, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends copies of Andre Michaux's *Silva Americana* for Jefferson and the university. He adds that he has been attempting to reform the method of teaching the youth; has found a tree with properties of a good hedge; discovered a scheme for making paper out of straw; has an idea for an economical printing press; and asks for a list of principle agricultural societies. (4 pages)

8 Aug 1825 ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to William Maclure. He is glad Maclure has returned and wonders if he finds the country changed much in his absence. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 6**

11 Aug 1825 ALS Edgar Mason, John W. Brockenbrough, and Robert Saunders, Jr., University of Virginia, to Thomas Jefferson. Inform Jefferson of his election as an honorary member of the Jefferson Society of the University of Virginia. (2 pages)

**Folder 7**

15 Aug 1825 ALS William Maclure, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, Virginia. Speaks of the importance of the University of Virginia and the interference of government regarding the National Bank. Maclure adds that he admires the diffusion of agricultural societies across the Union. (4 pages)

**Folder 8**

24 Sep 1825 ALS William Maclure, Philadelphia, to Thomas Jefferson, Monticello. Offers his mineral and geological collections to the University of Virginia and says he will take a steamboat to New Orleans this winter. (4 pages)

19 Oct 1825 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to William Maclure. Thanks him for the aforementioned donation. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 9**

18 Oct 1825 ALS George W. Lewis, university, to Thomas Jefferson. Recalls their conversation regarding history and asks Jefferson to recommend historians who are impartial and authentic and books to be read concerning law. (2 pages)

**Folder 10**

26 Nov 1825 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Dr. [Dunlison?]. Regarding ideas for a statue, and he would like to know if the doctor has anything to add. (1 page)

**Folder 11**

25 Dec 1825 ALS C. Schultz, Schultz's Range, Virginia, to Thomas Jefferson. Speaks of the triple chain of prejudice binding the country, forged by priests, politicians, and masons. (2 pages)

**Folder 12**

27 Dec 1825 ALS Anderson Warfield, Baltimore, to Thomas Jefferson. Feels he was unjustly fired from his job as surgeon aboard the *U.S.S. Maryland* in 1801, and Warfield would like to know if Jefferson ordered his dismissal or if it was Capt. Rogers. (2 pages)

1 Jan 1826 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Anderson Warfield. He has examined his papers and found "not a scrap on the subject, and at the age of 82, and after a tyme of 24 years my memory is so much in

default that not the smallest trace of the transaction remains. . . .”  
(mailed 6 January 1826) (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 13**

30 Dec 1825

ADf Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John McLean. Requests that mail be delivered to the University of Virginia so the students will not have an excuse for walking to town every day because of the time wasted as well as the fact that “they are liable when there to get into irregularities inconsistent with the college regulations.” He also recommends Arthur S. Brockenbrough, proctor, as university postmaster. (2 pages)

**Folder 14**

10 Jan 1826

ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John McLean. He approves of the arrangements made in response to his letter of 30 December. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 15**

19 Feb 1826

ALS John S. McFarland, Yellow Banks, Kentucky, to Thomas Jefferson. Asks if the Court of Appeals of Kentucky and the Supreme Court of the United States were formed by their respective constitutions and if the legislature or Congress can abolish either court or in any manner reorganize them so as to have the effect of removing incumbents and their clerks from office. (2 pages)

**Folder 16**

12 Mar 1826

ALS John McVickar, Columbia College, New York, to Thomas Jefferson. Sends a copy of an essay by Mr. McCulloch titled “Outlines of Political Economy.” (2 pages)

30 Mar 1826

AL Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to John McVickar. Thanks him for the treatise of Mr. McCulloch. (2 pages)

**Folder 17**

13 Mar 1826

ALS Thomas Jefferson [initials only], Monticello, to Dr. Thomas Jefferson Ward. Is touched by the concern of his fellow citizens regarding his financial difficulties and assures Dr. Ward that his grandson Thomas Jefferson Randolph will manage the lottery indulged him by the legislature. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 18**

20 Mar 1826

ALS C. & A. Warwick, Richmond, to Thomas Jefferson. They have received five cases of mathematical instruments for the university from London and will hold them subject to directions from Jefferson. (2 pages)



27 Mar 1826 AL Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to C. & A. Warwick. He will send the invoice as soon as it comes to hand. (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 19**

31 Mar 1826 ALS Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to Dennis Littleton Teackle. Thanks him for his communication concerning public schools, and Jefferson adds that he would like to see the promotion of education “especially in the South where we have been too inattentive to it.” (2 pages)

**Folder 20**

7 Apr 1826 ALS Thomas Jefferson, rector, to the faculty of professors of the University of Virginia. Communicates the intentions of the Board of Visitors regarding diplomas and premiums for literary work. (2 pages)

**Folder 21**

15 Apr 1826 ALS F.H. Wright, Northampton, Massachusetts, to Thomas Jefferson. “With extreme sorrow and regret I noticed your application to the Legislature of Virginia for a Lottery to facilitate the sale of your real estate,” and adds that the Republicans of the old school would have gladly contributed to his necessities. (2 pages)

5 May 1826 AL Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, to F.H. Wright. Thanks him for his letter and states, “with respect to my own embarrassments, when I see so many persons failing who are so much better qualified for private business than I am, and so much less obstructed in their attention to their affairs, I cannot wonder that I too have fallen into their lot.” (2 pages, polygraph)

**Folder 22**

27 May 1826 ALS Willis Oglesby, Louisville, Oldham County, Kentucky, to Thomas Jefferson. Regarding the state of political affairs in Kentucky; he believes the cause of all its problems lies in the unjust reorganization of the Supreme Court by the legislature. (4 pages)

**Folder 23**

no date AN Thomas Jefferson. Design for an “Equatorial Apparatus.” (2 pages, press copy)

no date Drawing in ink of above design. (2 pages)

**Folder 24**

no date AD Rules for credit for the United States with France. (4 pages, in French)

**Folder 25**

- no date AD Thomas Jefferson. Prospectus of monarchies versus democracy; only points 6 and 7 are listed. (1 page, in French)
- Folder 26**  
no date ADS William Tunnicliff. Receipt for hire of a horse for travel to Mount Vernon. (2 pages)
- Folder 27**  
no date AN List of presents given to Thomas Jefferson. (1 page, in Spanish)
- Folder 28**  
no date ANS William P. Newby. For the measurement of a new corn house. (attached to another sheet) (2 pages)
- Folder 29**  
no date AN Thomas Jefferson. Envelope marked "Draughts." (1 page)
- Folder 30**  
no date AN Thomas Jefferson. List, partially in French, giving supplies and prices. (1 page)
- Folder 31**  
no date AN Thomas Jefferson. "Newspapers see Voluminous Papers." (2 pages)
- Folder 32**  
no date Visiting card, Capt. Macdonald, Royal Engineers. (attached to another sheet) (1 page)
- Folder 33**  
no date ADS Robert Kenney, Augusta County, Virginia. Notes and hand drawing of a plan for a boat. (2 pages)
- Folder 34**  
no date ALS Roquefort Douaniere de Vaudreuil to the House of Representatives. States that she is the widow of the late Marquis [Louis Phillipe de Rigaud] de Vaudreuil, who was the commander-in-chief of the French Naval Forces in American waters during the Revolutionary War, and petitions for relief for her daughter. (2 pages) (Vaudreuil was captain under D'Estaing of the ship *Le Fendant*, which was in York Harbor from November 1779 to January 1780. See Julian Boyd, ed., *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson*, Vol. 3, pp. 210-211.)
- Folder 35**  
no date Circular. "For Keeping Cellars free from Water by the Use of Roman Cement." Contains ANS "For Sale by Andrew Smith. Agent for the

Proposed.” (1 page)

**Jefferson Collection Reference Files**

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| 1927    | Invitation to the Thomas Jefferson Centennial Commission meeting.<br>(accession number 73-0061)  |
| 1930    | Register for descendants of Thomas Jefferson present at a meeting at the Missouri Historical Society on November 4, 1930.                                      |
| 1959    | Pamphlet. “Jefferson Through the Fog,” printed version of an address delivered at Monticello by James Russell Wiggins.   |
| 1961    | Reprint of a letter from Thomas Jefferson to Robert Patterson, March 2, 1803. Regards Meriwether Lewis and instructions in determining latitude and longitude. |
| no date | Descendants of Thomas Jefferson. Manuscript and typescript of genealogical information of living descendants at an unspecified date.                           |