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Sir

Your excellency's candor will I hope take in good part, a few lines from One who admired the solid reasoning & pacific spirit of your Essay on the constitutional power of Britain, & used his feeble efforts, tho in vain, for some conciliatory purposes, as you may see by his two pamphlets accompanying this, of which he humbly requests your acceptance.

Dr, Nisbet who will deliver this has for many years been one of my Dearest & most intimate friends. The thoughts of bidding him a long farewell, would dispirit me greatly, was it not that I flatter myself his abilities, integrity & attachment to the American states, will render him much more useful as head of the Colledge, provided by your excellency, than he could have been at Montrose: & that the consequences of his leaving Scotland will be as happy to him & his Family, as such a separation from one so dear to me is grievous to me.

May your excellency long enjoy all the comforts, which true religion, Domestic happiness, the prosperity of Pensilvania & her sister states, & the flourishing of Dickinson Colledge can afford you! & may a friendship never more to be Dissolved soon commence between the states, & their mother country.

I am May it please your excellency Yr obedt humble Servt.

John Erskine

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I had almost forgot to have mentioned that Mr. Nisbets eldest son was reckoned one of the best Scholars in Edinburgh Colledge, where he passed Master of arts last week with great eclat.