

Sir John Macpherson to Col. Macpherson

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Hy - Farm near Cambridge wells

30th April 1814

How happy must my dear Colonel be, & how glad
from the happy Result of Public Affairs & the Success
of the true Prince to crown them with glory to his
dear Britannia - His answer to the City of London,
& most certainly his own, was a Master-piece.

The good Effects it will produce in France are
incalculable. I know them well. It was by
avidities to the Subjects of France in India that
I made the Conquest of Mauritius in April
1785 - , obtained the Secrets of their Ministers,
& presented this Renewal of war in the East
aided by the Dutch as their secret allies -

I will send you a printed Copy of the
Letter which Louis the 16 wrote to me afterwards
in 1788
through his Minister, paying me the highest
Compliments - my answer, which I will likewise

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send you is interesting at the present moment. It touches on the Happiness, which man kind & the whole world would derive from a good understanding between our respective Nations -

In referring to such Letters with what pleasure will you peruse, at this day, a Copy of the Letter, which I was in fact authorised to write, under the auspices of the late Emperor Leopold, to our Royal Highnesses in October 1791 from Switzerland.

Thanks to the gods! He has achieved all that could have been wished for. Should his ally - magnanimous Friends visit this Country the glory will be complete. after the manner in which Louis the 18th brought

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St John Macpherson to Col. Macpherson

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His Health, in the presence of our Ministers on the
Sail of France he may well say that he has regained
the Essentials of the ancient Monarch united with
our Crown by military conquests in France - He
has conquered enough Friends here - He is Prince
Regent of Great Britain & Ireland & King & Prince
of France! - The Pope too has invested him
with the best Roman Catholic Powers. I had lately
written to the speaker, alluding to this happy
Event, to which I looked after what the late Pope explained
to me at Rome. Had as Napoleon was & is, got to give
the Devil his due! his abdication was a blessing.
I knew that he could not make Peace & so did
the allies - Peace would put him in a strait
wash-coat. The People of France would then
feel how he had deceived them - revolution would
then follow & assist us him & recall the Bourbons.
They have returned in the happiest manner.

we may now say that we have aided Spain
Sicily & France to acquire the advantages of
a Parliamentary Constitution & we ^{have} established
Royalty in Holland. all nations will soon
sing our Royal Deserts Praise - Thanks to his
sublime Speech in Parliament &c &c &c

you will read with pleasure the
enclosed verses written by my excellent friend
Friend Mr. Lashes bousal here for many years
his Secular Majesty & the great friend of the
late Dr. Johnson. He like me is a shepherd
acadid & he signs the verses as such. a friend
friend of his is the author of the other Sonnet & the
Postema di Duona parte -

you know my old system of never
wishing to give you the trouble of any reply.
we vale. in the Irish Gaelic "Sláon leach i n-éiríoch bhá,
low yours with true Esteem & regard John Macpherson

John Macpherson