

My dear Sir

New York 16<sup>th</sup> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1799

I wrote you the 8<sup>th</sup> by a Mr<sup>l</sup> Hall informing  
you that Mr<sup>l</sup> Gillivray & I had engaged a lodging that we thought  
with answer for you & Mr<sup>l</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Jarvis and as we intend leaving  
this night we will have the pleasure of explaining it to you before  
you set out as Mr<sup>l</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Gillivray writes it is needless for me to say  
any thing of News either publick or private, this Govern<sup>t</sup> have  
adventured upon of 5 Millions of Dollars the subscribers to receive  
8 per cent Interest and optional in the States to pay the principal in  
10 years, to be paid in 8 Monthly payments the first payment  
next month as I think the Security Good and the Terms favorable  
I intend subscribing 16 or 20 thousand Dollars and to have Money  
here for the purpose I send James requesting Mess<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Jeter to provide  
it that I may on my getting to Montreal send it here, hoping  
to have the pleasure of seeing you soon after you receive this  
have to request my best respects to Mr<sup>l</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Jarvis, & Friends,  
I wish I could attend going to say congratulate him on  
the Death of his many dear - believe me  
Yours Sincerely

Simon M<sup>r</sup> Jarvis Esq<sup>r</sup>

Isaac Todd

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