Philadelphia, October 13, 1792

My Dear Sir,

The letter which you did me the favour to write me of the 19th of September came to hand two days ago.

The late symptoms of acquiescence in the duty of detail, to which you allude in your quarterly particular, satisfactory. If the people will but make game of the thing, then good will ensue. This has hitherto happened everywhere, where the land has gone into operation. There certainly can be no long more eligible or able burtheners.

Though I repose on myself great assurance on the subject of elections for the Federal Government, yet, in relation to the character, you mention, I feel myself more at liberty and my entire confidence in you will not permit me to affect reserve— I take it for granted that in all the Northern and Middle States, the present President will have an unanimous vote. I trust it will be so in the South, but we will suffer — A want of unanimity would be a blot on our vessel. A want of unanimity would wound the mind of that excellent character to whom the country is so much indebted.

For Vice President, Mr. Adams will have a nearly unanimous vote in the Eastern States. The same thing will happen in New York, if the Electors were to be chosen by the People; but as they will be chosen by the Legislature, and as a majority of the Legislative Assembly are Republicans, the electors will fear
of the same complexion. In such Mr. Adams will have
unanimous vote, and according to present appearances
Pennsylvania likewise. The parties have had a
point of their strength here in representation, and
when the issue is not finally ascertained, there is a
considerable party from the returns receiv’d that the
ticket supported by the Federal interest will prevail
by a large majority. The electors nominated by
the same interest will all or nearly all favour Mr.
Adams. I believe the weight of Delaware will
take the same scale. And I think it
probable there will be votes for Mr. Adams in
Maryland, for some none in Virginia or
Georgia. of North Carolina you can rely upon
of South Carolina he will have votes, but I
am at a loss to judge of the proportion.

The statement will inform you that
Mr. Adams is the man who will be supported
in the Northern and Middle States by his friends,
like the men has his faults and his faults too,
like the men have in abundance; we do not
approve; but we believe them to be honest, firm,
faithful and independent—a sincere love of his
country—a real friend to genuine liberty; but
continues his attachment to that with the love of
our계획 and stable government. No man has
character can be found that his. No man has
given stronger proof than him of detestation to
our Patriotism. We will therefore support him
as far preferrable to any one, who is likely to
be opposed to him.” Who will be strongly opposed
to him. I say yet at a loss to decide. One while
Governor Clinton appears to be the man. Of late
Then have the symptoms of Mr. Burr's coming up for it. Some say, one or better of these will be placed off as a dupe from in favour of Mr. Jefferson.

I do not purpose to say to you, that my preference of Mr. Adams to either of the other candidates is decisive, & to Mr. Clinton he is as much a man of narrow and servile politics and as well a man of narrow and servile politics and as well

But the former and under the present Government, he has been steadily since the formation of the war with Great Britain opposed to national prominence.

My opinion of Mr. Burr is not to be formed, but by judgment only. My judgment pronounces, according to the present state of the, he is a man

reflected to mount at all events — to the highest legal honours of the Nation and as must further and as must further as public circumstances will carry him. Imputations not favorable to his integrity as a man will weigh with him; but I have

worth for their authenticity.

There was a time when I thought there

believed between Mr. Jefferson & Mr. Adams, but

I now view the former as a man of prudence and a

paradoxical imagination — cherishing notions incompatible

with regular and firm government.

This have Inferred myself to

you with frankness, I doubt not that I am freely

safe in doing it.

You give me pain by telling me that you have declined service in the House of Representatives after the 3d of March next — and that it is doubtful whether you will attend the next session.

I nanguously hope that you will find it convenient to attend and that you will change your resolution as to not serving in a future House — the infirm Jefferson will be on.
intollerance one, and the next Congress will either abdicate
the Government in favour or set it afloat.
My apprehension is greater and when I see so many
valuable members declining of Mr. Laurens to
Mr. Bentor will not serve again. Mr. Barnwell
also declines. The hour will I fear be more of
its talents than it can share
With the truest affections and regard

Yr. honest servant

Alexander Hamilton

John Steele End