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W. B. M. S. Gibson
the 7th Dec^r 1844.

Sir,

I have the Honor herewith
to transmit you the necessary
Passport for an American Vessel
to proceed to a Port of Europe
convenient to the City of Ghent
for the purpose of conveying
Dispatches to the American
Plenipotentiaries there, agreeably
to the Request contained in the
Letter I am this day honored
with from you under date of
3rd Current

I have the Honor to be
Sir

with the highest consideration

Your most Obed^t humble Serv^t
(signed)

G. Lockhart Rear Adm^t

To
The Hon^{ble} Col^l Monroe
y^{ea} y^{ea} y^{ea}
Washington