successful in obtaining them that Justice to which, on every principle of law, as well as of humanity, they were clearly & indisputably entitled. —

The engagements entered into by Treaty, ought to be mutual and equally binding on the respective contracting parties. It would therefore be the heighth of folly, as well as injustice, to suppose, one party alone obliged to a strict observance of the public faith, while the other might remain free to deviate from its own engagements, as often as convenience might render such deviation necessary, tho' at the expence of its own national credit and importance. —

I flatter myself however, Sir, that Justice will speedily be done to british creditors; and I can assure you, Sir, that whenever America shall manifest a real determination to fulfil her part of the treaty, Great Britain will not hesitate to prove her sincerity, to cooperate in whatever points depend upon her, for carrying every article of it, into real & compleat effect.

The enclosed paper contains a state of the grievances complained of, by merchants and other british subjects, having estates, property and debts due to them in the several States of America. —

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Yr. most obt. hum: Servt.
(signed) Carmarthen

John adams Esq.
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