Dr Charley F 1317 April 16th 1759

In my last of ye 9th of Febry I acknowledg'd ye Receit of yr two letters of June 14th & Aug 1st. I have since received yrs of Nov. 7th & Jan. 29th which gave us great pleasure. I see you have taken a Tour to ye South of France, & I hope it not only plea'd but improv'd you, 1st is ye reasonable end of Travelling, yr Expences were so moderate yt I do not think Mr Power accompany'd you, I wonder you do not mention him. Inclosed is a list of ye most valuable French Books I have. I think you will not want any of them but L'Esprit des Loix, however you are at liberty to get any of them you desire. Pray bring with you from Paris Mr Bossuet Histoire du Nouveau Testament 2 vols 8vo & 24 Coll. or more if publish'd of ye Lettres Edifiantes et Curieuses if not already sent me by Mr Cookshanks. I shall write to Mr Perkins as you desire to take Chambers for you in ye Temple, on yr arrival in London, until they can be got he will procure you other Lodgings, & he will take all other necessary precautions for ye ease & Convenience, upon ye giving him timely notice of ye time you propose to be with him. — I really think it will be to yr advantage, Comfort & Satisfaction to sell my Estate here, however I shall keep my Estate in & nigh Annapolis two large slats of Land containing each about 13000 Acres, my Slaves & Iron works to ye last, so ye may chuse, but I doubt not you will think as I do if you should ever know our people. —

I approve yr return to Paris, & ye Residence you have chosen. My Compts to all I had ye Honour to know in ye House especially to Mr Galloway & his Pupil. —

I shall not at all begrudge ye Expence of ye Learning to Ride, you cannot expect to pay less than others, I doubt not you will take care not to be imposed on by paying more, I hope you will not wait for this to begin. — I received ye Acct of ye last years Expences, wch is moderate & shews you to be frugal, you may purchase what Books you please; indeed if the Classicks in 4to in usum Delphini are so dear I would advise you to purchase only ye most noted, as Livys, Ciceros, Horaces, Virgils, Cesars works of ye Edition & to content yr self with ye rest in 8vo. — Mr Perkins adviz'd me of ye Bill on him for £150 Sterg & he will by my repeated orders answer any you may draw. —

I desired Mr Cookshanks to take to his own use 10 Guineas out of ye first Money he receiv'd for you, if he has not done it pray pay it to him, it is but a trifling Acknowledgment for his Civilities & Services to you & me; why dont you tell me he is well? — I sent under cover to Mons de L'Isle Dieu Mr Manjans Receit for ye Money paid me in Paris by Mr Buisson, I should be glad to hear it reach'd him, make my Compts

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