volunteer to injure and traduce the character of a Lady — of a Lady, whose politeness could not but have created the most favourable impression on me — so wholly contrary is it to fact that I declare most solemnly to god — that I have never on any occasion made mention of your name but with high respect and esteem which your character your rank in life and your politeness to a stranger most certainly deserved —

I am
Madam

A true copy. M. Byrd

Your Most obt. & very Hble. St.

Nathan Levy

John. F. Mercer

James Southall

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