Petersville July 15

Mr Elias Morson
Washington
State of Maryland

My dear Elias, Needwood July 14. 1814.

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On the Month last Saturday I had the pleasure to receive your kind Letter of the 6th on that very day mine of the 7th or 8th was lodged in the Office to be forwarded - I was truly anxious to hear from you and now fear the British have increased their Cruisers & force - every kind indeed I am more solicitous about you than ever - all my Children except yourself & your wife are more beyond the reach of the Enemy, ~~there~~ unless it be my Gd Children Rezin & Ruth - Ruth & John will have prudence sufficient to take care of themselves in a mad wicked war such as ours, I think a man who was originally, & is opposed to the principles on which it was declared & carried on, is entirely well bound but scarcely justifiable in supporting it by personal