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Johonnot, Samuel Cooper. Geneva 1783 January 1 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 1.
to Benjamin Franklin

Account of his and Benny [Franklin Bache]'s success in their studies; prizes they will receive from the hands of the President of the College; hopes for peace and a speedy return to his native country.

Steuben, Wilhelm Augustine von. Cüstrin 1783 January 1 L. in 3d P. 1p.XXVII, 2.;
to Benjamin Franklin LIX, 46.

Begs that the annexed letter may be forwarded to Congress; has already directed several in the same manner to his son, who is a general officer in the service of the United States, without receiving any answer; begs a line of explanantion from Dr. Franklin.

English translation of the above.

Chester, André. Marseilles 1783 January 1 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 3.
to Benjamin Franklin

Enclosing a memoir and various certificates [5p.] from persons in authority, setting forth his zeal as English interpreter at Marseilles; his efforts to aid all Americans stranded in that port, and his desire and fitness for the position of American Consul at Marseilles. Requests Franklin to obtain a permit which will allow Charles Adam Duff to remain some time in Marseilles.

(In French.)

Moreau-Dufourneau, Jacob. Saint-Florentin 1783 January 2 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 4.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging him to forward the enclosed reply to Lord George Fox whom he hears has left France for England.

(In French.)

Corny, Dominique-Louis Ethis de 1783 January 2 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 5.

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to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring to know if the American ship "Washington" has sailed; M. de Veimerange wishes information about it. He and Madame De Corny hope Franklin will choose an early date to drink tea with them.

Crèvecoeur, St. Jean de 1783 January 3 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 6.
to Benjamin Franklin

Informing Franklin that certain records of the Province of New York were sent by Samuel Bayard on board an English ship and are now in the Tower of London; though useless to Great Britain now that peace is declared, believes they must be of great importance to New York. Congratulates Franklin on the happy issue and wishes him every blessing in the future.

Delamar, Mordÿay. Mogador 1783 January 3 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 7.
to Benjamin Franklin

Announcing that the American brig "Betsey" bound to Teneriffe was taken on the Barbary Coast by one of the privateers of the Emperor of Morocco and suspended with all her cargo; has received orders from the Emperor that, on the appearance of an Ambassador of the United States, the brig and cargo will be honorably discharged.

(Press Copy.)

Hillegas, Michael. Philadelphia 1783 January 6 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 8.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing William Wood, a connection of Franklin's old friend Mr. Thomas Bond and the Newbolds of New Jersey, who is endeavoring in a commercial way to increase his fortune. Reminds Franklin of Mr. Clarkson's request as to the possibility of obtaining a complete set of the Encyclopaedia.

Barney, Capt Joshua. L'Orient 1783 January 7 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 9.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging Franklin's despatches with the money; expects to sail in the morning; sorry he could not carry the news of peace as expected.

Damboix, -----, fils 1783 January 7 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 10.

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One of five or six young men who desire to go to Boston and establish themselves in business; their families are poor and unable to furnish them with means to carry out their plan; desires to know if Congress offers any encouragement to would-be citizens.

(In French.)

Prost de Royer, Antoine-François. Lyon 1783 January 7 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 11.

to Benjamin Franklin

Read with delight the first laws drawn up by Franklin for Pennsylvania; sends him the first two volumes of his "Dictionnaire de Jurisprudence et des Arrêts "; refers him to certain articles which he thinks may prove specially interesting.

(In French.)

Grammont, ----, marquis de. Paris 1783 January 7 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 12.

to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring Franklin to name a time when he may have the pleasure of an interview.

(In French.)

Hill, Charles and James. Bordeaux 1738 January 7 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 13.

to Benjamin Franklin

Reminding him of his promise to give them a letter of recommendation to some of his friends in Philadelphia or Boston provided he received a letter from Dr. Thomas Percival, certifying on their identity; enclosing Dr. Percival's letter [1p.] as well as one from their brother Joseph Hill, of Manchester [1p.]; have taken their passage on the American ship "Minerva."

Hodgson, William. London 1783 January 8 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 14.

to Benjamin Franklin

Positive orders from the Admiralty for all American prisoners to be sent to Morlaix, where they wish the English prisoners to be awaiting them; hopes something will occur to clear Congress of having refused to comply with the agreement made in England for the exchange of Lieut.-Col. Tarleton, Simcoc and Capt. MacLean, for whom they will release any officers in New York. Desires the earliest intelligence of the ultimatum.

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Hodgson, William. London 1783 January 8 L. 1p. LV, 14a.
to Benjamin Franklin

Has been at the Secretary's Office relative to the exchange of prisoners; the Admiralty ordered vessels to depart immediately with all American prisoners; these prisoners are to be sent to Morlaix where he desires Dr. Franklin to send the English prisoners.

(Press copy of an extract.)

Coffyn, Francis. Dunkirk 1783 January 9 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 16.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thomas Connelly, an American taken prisoner by a Guernsey corsair on his passage from l'Orient to Philadelphia; his escape from an English prison and his arrival in France; advanced him a certain sum of money on Franklin's account.

(In French.)

A. E. by Dr. Franklin. Give him five louis, taking his notes, etc., and direct him to go *via* Orleans.

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 January 9 A.L.S. 2p. XXXVIII,
to Benjamin Franklin 123.

Sending enclosed, letters to Lord Shelburne and Mr. Vaughan; thinks the subject worth a national claim; begs Franklin to add a line to his letter to Lord Shelburne.

Pio, Luigi de 1783 January 9 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVII, 17.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending Franklin a letter arrived from Naples.

(In French.)

Chapel, Jacques. Valenciennes 1783 January 9 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 18.
to Benjamin Franklin

Will send him certain samples of his manufactures which he begs may be sent with Franklin's recommendation to the the most reputable merchants in America and to American manufacturers in certain French towns; when peace is declared, desires the position of paymaster.

(In French.)

D'ron, -----, Nantes 1783 January 11 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 19.

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Concerning a debt owing him by one Fritz Sellier who left for Boston and has not since been heard from; begs for information of his present whereabouts.

(In French.)

Sandoz-Rollins, Daniel Alfons von. Paris 1783 January 12 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVII, 20.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sends the subjoined memoir of the Maritime Society of Prussia; hopes he will read and answer it to prove that he has fulfilled his commission.

(In French.)

Le Veillard, Louis Guillaume 1783 January 12 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 21.
to Benjamin Franklin

Writes on behalf of M. [Louis] de Boislandry, merchant of L'Aigle, who desires an interview with Franklin.

(In French.)

Laskowski, Josephus Corabita de. Galicia 1783 January 12 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 22.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs Franklin to procure him a suitable and remunerative occupation in America.

(*In Latin.*)

Grubb, Richard. Paris 1783 January 13 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVII, 23.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring a passport for England via Calais.

Servin, Antoine-Nicolas. Rouen 1783 January 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 24.
to Benjamin Franklin

Hopes to wait on him in Paris with a copy of his work [de la Legislature Criminelle]; desired to bring out especially the vices of the criminal legislation of England.

(In French.)

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Vergennes, Charles Gravier, comte de. 1783 January 16 L.S. 2p. XXVII, 25.

Versailles

to Benjamin Franklin

Sending him a copy of a memoir from Messrs. Faure, Donneau and Co., of Marseilles, owners of the ship "L'Élégante"; Franklin has been fully informed of the details of this affair and can therefore judge of the justice of the demand for indemnity; begs Franklin to use his influence to procure this firms their just dues; thinks it unjust that French merchants should be the unfortunate victims of such reprehensible conduct as that of the commander of the militia at "Carlerscreck."

(In French.)

Fraguier, Mme Nicolas-Ambroise. Paris 1783 January 16 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 26.

to Benjamin Franklin

Sending the enclosed memoir [1p.] from le Sieur Nivière, who desires to obtain the post of Consul at Lyons; a man of merit.

(In French.)

Penide, -----. Lyons 1783 January 16 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 27.

to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a plan on the part of himself and two others to establish a silk manufactory in America; desires his advice.

(In French.)

Curson, Samuel. Marseilles 1783 January 16 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 29.

to Benjamin Franklin

Wishes to know if an American will be permitted to establish a business house in Lisbon.

Appée, Léonard. Paris 1783 January 16 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 30

to Benjamin Franklin

and 86.

Preferring his claim for three months' wages and his share of the prize-money during his service as a volunteer on board the American frigate "Providence" in the fall of 1778; enclosing a letter from Louvel [1p.], Agent at Paimboeuf, certifying his statements.

(In French.)

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Le Roy, Jean Baptiste 1783 January 17 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 31.
to Benjamin Franklin

Reasons why he has not been to Passy; begs Franklin to name a day when he will dine with Madame Le Roy and himself.
(In French.)

Houdetot, Comtesse d' 1783 January 17 L.S. 2p. XXVII, 32.
to Benjamin Franklin

Inconsolable at missing Franklin's visit; desired greatly to see him and congratulate him on the happy peace; requests his and his grandson's presence at a musicale she gives on the 30th.
(In French.)

Faujas de Saint-Fond, Barthélemy. Paris 1783 January 19 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 33.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending a specimen of the new metal, used for sheathing vessels; description of the nails which it is fastened. Sending also a curious stone found in Sicily; use made of it by the inhabitants; process by which the bitumen is removed; enclosing another copy of his work on "La Pouzzolane" which he begs may be sent to the person in charge of the ports of public works in America.

Gastellier, René-Georges. Montargis 1783 January 19 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 34.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanks him for accepting the dedication of his work; will comply with the conditions dictated by Franklin's modesty and delicacy.
(In French.)

Backhaus, Jean Guillaume. Hanover 1783 January 20 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 35.
to Benjamin Franklin

Enclosing a memoir [4p.] which he begs Franklin to place before the Congress with a favorable recommendation; the advantages of a commercial alliance between Germany and America; superior position of Hamburg as a residence for an accredited agent of the United States; applies for such a position.
(In French.)

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Millet, -----. Paris 1783 January 20 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 36.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a bill for groceries bought by M. Duchemin for Dr. Franklin's use.
(In French.)

Garos, Louis-Julien. Fontenay-le-Comte 1783 January 20 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 37.
to Benjamin Franklin

Writes on behalf of Frenchman, le Sieur François Gray [?] who deserted his regiment in France, and took up his residence in Philadelphia; certain sums due him by inheritance which the Government thinks he should forfeit as a deserter; begs Franklin to procure his pardon from the French Government in order that he may enter into possession of his just inheritance.
(In French.)

Duviquet, abbé Pierre. Paris 1783 January 22 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 38.
to Benjamin Franklin

Offering his verses in honor of the peace; placed Franklin's name beside those of Louis XVI and de Vergennes; enumerates Franklin's great achievements.
(In French.)

Trout, Joseph (prisoner). Niort Castle 1783 January 22 L.S. 3p. XXVII, 39.
to Benjamin Franklin

Natives of Massachusetts and followers of the sea; taken prisoners by an English privateer and carried into New York, where they were kept eight months on board a prison ship and then sent to England; on their arrival, they chose, rather than go on board a man-of-war or into prison, to take passage on board a vessel bound for the West Indies; this ship captured by a French man-of-war; in spite of being Americans they were conveyed to a French prison; begs Franklin to obtain their release.

Caffiéri, Jean Jacques 1783 January 22 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 40.
to Benjamin Franklin

Franklin's country knows how to appreciate his great services; in case America should desire to leave to posterity a monument to this glorious event or one to those patriots who have sacrificed their lives in the cause, begs Franklin to employ his talents.

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(In French)

Gebhard, -----, Strasbourg 1783 January 22 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 41.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to forward the enclosed letter to his father.

(In French.)

Brongniart, Alexandre Théodore. Paris 1783 January 23 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 42.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending two new proofs of the medal; points out certain imperfections which will be corrected.

Reminds Franklin of his promise to tell him what should be written on the lower part of the medal.

(In French.)

La Salle, M de 1783 January 23 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 43.
to Benjamin Franklin

Writes on behalf of M. Poullétier, of Paris, who desires a letter of recommendation for his son whom he is about to send to Philadelphia with a quantity of Merchandise; this request seconded by la Marquise Deroillers. On the fifth of May their lodge gave a fête at which Franklin promised to be present.

(In French.)

La Touche-Tréville, comte de. Paris 1783 January 24 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 44.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating Franklin on the independence of the United states and sending him the annexed letter forwarded from London.

(In French.)

Bache, Sarah. Philadelphia 1783 January 24 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 45.
to Benjamin Franklin

As soon as his letter by Miss [S.] Beckwith was received, she and Mr. Bache waited on her and requested her to stay with them till she could be agreeably settled; promises that she shall never want warm friends in America.

Smith, Jacob. Mill Prison 1783 January 24 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 47.

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to Benjamin Franklin

Describing the wretched condition of his fellow prisoners; the French, Dutch and Spanish receive clothes and money, but the poor Americans are given nothing; there are 160 men all told and one half are without shoes and stockings.

Perrault, ----- Deux-ponts 1783 January 24 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 48.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to become a citizen of the United States, and to find some useful employment; begs Franklin to put him in the way of obtaining his passage over.
(In French.)

Martineau, L. Bordeaux 1783 January 25 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 49.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning his project of establishing a sugar-refinery at Philadelphia; desires to know if Congress will defray certain expenses and grant certain liberties.
(In French.)

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 January 25 A.L.S. 1p. XXXVIII,
to Benjamin Franklin 124.

His father staying with him; expects to wait on Franklin shortly. Acknowledging his note to Lord Shelburne. Just received the news of peace.

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 January 25 A.L.S. 1p. XXXVIII,
to Benjamin Franklin 125.

Introducing his friend Major Samuel White, who is in the business of obtaining passports for the American ships outward bound.

Hodgson, William 1783 January 26 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 50.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring to know if one of his letters containing a bill of exchange came safely to hand.

Hodgson, William. London 1783 January 26 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 50
to Benjamin Franklin 1/2.

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Waited on the Secretary of State with the discharge of the officers, and obtained his consent for the cartel vessel to go to l'Orient. Congratulating him on the glorious and honorable termination of the war. Reminds him of his promise to sketch out the wisest and best conduct for England to pursue with respect to America, after independence is acknowledged. Desires to enter into commercial relations with America; wishes a pass for his vessel called the "Mary," and begs Mr. W[illiam] T[emple] Franklin to procure him one from the Spanish and French Ministers; apprehensions of her being captured before hostilities finally cease.

Fanning, Nathaniel. Dunkirk Gaol 1783 January 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 51.
to Benjamin Franklin

Advised not to desist in his petition to Franklin, who can procure him his enlargement; can prove that he is a native of New London.

Kéralio, Agathon Guynement, chevalier 1783 January 27 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 52.
de
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending Franklin his congratulations and those of the Comtesse de Forbach on the approaching peace. A few lines of affection and admiration in the Countess's hand.
(In French.)

Charles Gilibert and Co. Lyons 1783 January 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 53.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a letter received from Mr. John Hoskins Stone, merchant in Annapolis, Md., with an invoice of goods; desire to know if they may place confidence in this gentleman and execute his orders.
(In French.)

Ingenhousz, Jan 1783 January 28 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 54.
to Benjamin Franklin

Account of an experiment in electricity; desires to dedicate his work to Franklin; has received a request from the Great Duke of Russia for a copy of the French edition and the German translation. Desires information of a machine which raises water by means of a rope. Begs Franklin to look over the letters of a Mr. Valltravers who is in desperate need of some employment. Advice how to treat

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his attacks of gout; published in Latin some years before a dissertation on how to treat gout, gravel, etc., translated from Dr. [Nathaniel] Hulme; 1 explains his theory. Attitude of England towards his country; England's policy in granting independence to America is to better crush France.

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Grasse, François-Joseph-Paul, comte de. 1783 January 28 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 55.

Paris

to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulates Franklin on the signing of the preliminaries of peace, and on the independence of America; encloses a letter of congratulation to the President of Congress; hopes this proof of his attachment to America will be as acceptable as the one he rendered at Yorktown. Wishes to send him also one of his memoirs on the naval battle of April 12th to prove his blamelessness in the affair. (In French.)

Kümmel, Adam Christian. Brieg 1783 January 28 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 57.

to Benjamin Franklin

Sends him nine treatises on the valuation of gold coins throughout the states of Europe; has fifty-three more treatises which he will send also if Franklin desires it; has been engaged on this work for twenty-five or thirty years; believes this knowledge of the comparative values of various moneys will probably be of great advantage to a growing commercial power like America; applies to Franklin to render him assistance to get his works printed. (In German.)

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 January 28 A.L.S. 2p. XXXVIII,

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Desires to know if the prohibition on English goods in America ceases with the declaration of peace; also, if tobacco already imported into France will be received in England. Questions of returning to England the few prisoners still in Nantes.

Garthshore, Dr. Maxwell. Paris 1783 January 29 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVII, 58.

to Benjamin Franklin

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Expressing great regret at being obliged to leave Paris without paying his respects to Franklin; except on one occasion which, owing to the drunkenness of his coachman, was at a very improper hour.

Vaughan, Benjamin and Samuel. Paris 1783 January 29 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVII, 59.
to Benjamin Franklin

Regretting their inability to accept his invitation for Sunday. Enclose a list of books which they desire returned.

Pettit, Gen Charles. Philadelphia 1783 January 29 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 60.
to Benjamin Franklin

Recommending to Franklin's notice his son, Andrew Pettit.

Nevill, ---- and ----- Moore 1783 January 29 L in 3d P. 1p. XL, 39.
to Benjamin Franklin

From Ireland; ask permission to pay their respects to him before leaving Paris.

Barclay, Thomas. L'Orient 1783 January 29 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 61.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating him on the independence of America. Desires passports from the British Minister so that several American vessels in the harbor may sail without delay; gives a list of the ships; all carry public supplies; importance of getting them to America before the shipments from England arrive.

Jay, John. Paris 1783 January 29 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 62.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to know if Franklin can provide for the payment of Mr. Johnson's bills, in case he accepts them.

Meyronnet de Saint-Marc, chevalier de. 1783 January 30 L.S. 2p. XXVII, 63.
Lisbon
to Benjamin Franklin

The Vice-Consul of France at the Island of Fayal, desires reimbursement for expenses he incurred on behalf of five Americans whom he sent back to their native country; mentions the names of people in Passy at whose houses he had the pleasure of meeting Franklin.

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(In French.)

Lafreté, Angélique-Michéle-Rosalie	1783 January 30	L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 64.
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Jogues de Martinville. Paris
to Benjamin Franklin

M. de Labarre, desires to go to America under Franklin's protection; M. and Mme. la Vicomtesse de la Herreria are much interested in him; trusts Franklin will oblige them in this matter. Her health still delicate; begs Franklin to come and see her.

(In French.)

Wets, Jean Guild. Bruges	1783 January 30	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 65.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Intention of their firm to sent some vessels to America for the purposes of trade; apply to Franklin for some information, especially as to the name of trustworthy American firms.

Williams, Jonathan Jr.	1783 January 31	A.L.S. 2p.	XXXVIII, 127.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing the Hon. John Wheelock, President of Dartmouth College, who has come to Europe to obtain donations for an institution of learning.

Brongniart, Alexandre Théodore. Paris	1783 January 31	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXVII, 66.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring to know if he received two new proofs of the medal, as well as that with the head of liberty; reminding him that he has not yet stated what he desires engraved at each side.

(In French.)

Williams, Jonathan Sr	1783 January 31	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 66 1/2.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Recommending to Franklin President Wheelock and his brother.

Illens, ----- de. Marseilles	1783 January 31	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 67.
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Hope of obtaining the considerable sum due him from South Carolina; now that peace has been declared, hopes America will satisfy the creditors who came to her aid in time of trouble; desires to know whether the debt will be paid in goods or land.

(In French.)

Veuve d'Aubremé and Sons. Brussels 1783 January 31 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 68.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating him on the independence of America, and his glorious part in the great event. Their desire to establish commercial relations with America; if this plan is practicable, begs Franklin to recommend some firm in Boston or Philadelphia to whom they can consign their vessels.

(In French.)

St. Olympe, -----, chevalier de. Paris 1783 January N. in 3d P. LXXI, 57.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Thanks Franklin for lending him Abbé Raynal's book which he read with interest. Will return Abbé Raynal's letter to Franklin in a few days.

(In French.)

-----, -----, Passy 1783 January Mem. 2p. LXIII, 2.
to Benjamin Franklin

Proposition for furnishing table supplies and catering for Dr. Franklin.

(In French.)

Boyer, -----, Bordeaux 1783 February 1 L.S. 2p. XXVII, 69.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to establish a glass-works in America; willing to undertake the expense if Congress will accord him all the privileges and facilities in their power.

(In French.)

Lotbinière, Michel-Alain Chartier de. 1783 February 2 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 70.
Paris
to Benjamin Franklin

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His delight at America's independence; disappointed that Canada was not united as a fourteenth province; indignant at the boundary line being drawn at Lat. 41° N.; explains the value to America of the Great Lakes and Lake Champlain; desires an interview on the subject with Franklin and Adams. Lands he owns near Crown Point, extending to Lake George and including Ticonderoga; hopes Franklin will uphold these claims before Congress.

(In French.)

Ridley, Matthew. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 2	A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 71.
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Enclosing the power of attorney to be certified; dictates a simple form which he can use.

Vaughan, Samuel Jr. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 3	L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVII, 72.
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Desires Franklin to forward any letters addressed to Miss Laurens to his care; accident which delayed the party's journey to London.

Feron, -----. Vernon to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 3	A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 73
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Desires Franklin at least to indicate the cheapest route to America, as well as the most temperate climate in which to settle.

(In French.)

Coulougnac and Co. Nantes to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 3	A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 74.
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Debt owing them by the State of Virginia through the agency of M. Penct; encloses a memoir [2p.] which will give him an exact idea of the entire transaction; begs him to appoint a commission to look into their titles; much further delay in the payment of this sum will result in their ruin; will suspend all legal proceedings until they hear his decision in the matter.

(In French.)

Loyseau, -----. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 3	A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 75.
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Interested in a steel-works near Paris; desires to know if there is any market for this product in America.

(In French.)

Jay, Mr. and Mrs. John to Benjamin Franklin	[L. in 3d P. 1p.XLIII, 198.
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Inviting him to dinner.

Fizeaux, Grand and Co. Amsterdam to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 3	L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 77.
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Mr. [Robert] Morris's bill was paid and another was drawn on Dr. Franklin for their reimbursement.

(In French.)

Houdetot, Comtesse d' to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 4	L. in 3d P. 1p.XXVII, 78.
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Regrets that she must see Franklin eight days later than she had expected.

(In French.)

Stourm, Jean-Louis. Belfort to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 4	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 79.
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Congratulations on the independence of America. Sends an essay of his, entitled "Le Royaume Imaginaire."

(In French.)

Connelly and Sons and Arthur. Dunkirk to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 4	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 80.
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Account of their firm; desires him to recommend them to some good houses at Boston, Charleston, Philadelphia and New York, and to appoint Philip or Joseph Connelly Consul at Dunkirk.

Lenoble, Capt ----- de. Hanau to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 4	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 81.
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Spent a considerable time in America and desires to return there and enter army.

(In French.)

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Campo-de-Arbe, -----. Paris 1783 February 5 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 82.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs for recommendations among Franklin's acquaintance.
(In French.)

Brossière, -----. L'Orient 1783 February 5 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 83.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring information concerning M. Loch, whether his present wife is living and when the marriage took place; one of his parishioners, Mlle. Desbois, thought for a long time to be the wife of M. Loch, denies this fact and is desirous of accepting an offer of marriage; cannot perform the ceremony until he receives the desired information.
(In French.)

Walker, George. Calais 1783 February 5 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 84.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulates him on the declaration of peace. Introduced himself to Mr. Oswald on his passage through Calais and asked him England's intentions as regarded the ruined planters of Barbadoes; expects no redress of a public nature and despairs of even a private one; wishes to be put in the way of earning a livelihood.

Vergennes, Charles Gravier, comte de. 1783 February 6 L.S. 2p. XXVII, 85.
Versailles
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning the loan of six millions of livres which the king proposes to grant to Congress.
(In French.)

Ostervald, Frédéric-Samuel. Neufchatel 1783 February 6 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 87.
to Benjamin Franklin

He and his associates are the founders and directors of a printing house; liberty of the press enjoyed in Switzerland; begs Franklin to recommend his firm to the leading libraries in America.
(In French.)

Defay, Mlle ----. Paris 1783 February 6 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 88.

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Congratulates him on the peace. Begs him to accede to the prayers of M. Gastellier.
(In French.)

Vergennes, Charles Gravier, comte de. 1783 February 7 L.S. 1p. XXVII, 89.
Versailles

to Benjamin Franklin

Sends him a copy of a letter just received from le Marquis de Castrics [2p.] , narrating the indecent manner in which four distinguished French officers were treated by Capt. Thomas Smith of the privateer, "General Garveret"; hopes Franklin will use his authority to punish the offenders.
(In French.)

Backhaus, Jean Guillaume. Hanover 1783 February 7 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 90.
to Benjamin Franklin

Proposes a German regiment for the use of America and to recruit it mainly from the Germans who will return from service in that country; the details of his plan; asks for Franklin's endorsement.
(In French.)
A.E. by Dr. Franklin. The United States will probably not keep up a standing army; most of the Germans likely to settle in America rather than return to Europe; has no authority to set on foot the negotiations he suggests.

Delius, Christoph Diedrich Arnold. 1783 February 7 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 91.
Bremen

to Benjamin Franklin

Has been established in Bremen for nearly twenty years and has dealt extensively in linen and other merchandise for exportation; his present intention to send a vessel laden with merchandise to Boston and to make the voyage himself as supercargo; begs for a letter of recommendation to the President of Congress.

Lotbinière, Michel-Alain Chartier de. 1783 February 8 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 92.
Paris

to Benjamin Franklin

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The boundaries between the American and English possessions; expresses himself as quite satisfied. Reminds him of his promise to bring the affair of his American possessions to the notice of Congress. (In French.)

Byde, Thomas Plumer. Naples	1783 February 8	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 76.
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to Benjamin Franklin

A member of the first Parliament of the present King of England where his name appears in the list of those who voted for the repeal of the Stamp Act; congratulates Franklin on the happy conclusion of the war. Desires the position of Consul in one of the ports of Italy. Begs him to forward the enclosed letter to Mr. Wharton.

Schuster, Jean Chrétien. Vienna	1783 February 8	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 92
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to Benjamin Franklin 1/2.

Named his son Benjamin Silas Arthur in honor of Franklin and his colleagues, Deane and Lee. His attachment and admiration for Franklin and America. Desires the address of merchants at Boston, Philadelphia, New York and Charleston. (In French.)

Gastellier, René Georges	1783 February 9	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 93.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Sends by the Marquis Dusallant (son-in-law of the Marquis de Mirabeau) his little work dedicated to Franklin. (In French.)

Le Roy, Jean Baptiste	1783 February 10	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 94.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Sends the rough draft of a French letter [2p.] which he has written for Franklin; feels that he failed to speak as befitted the liberator of America. Apologizes for not asking Franklin to dine with other members of the Lodge of the Nine Sisters. (In French.)

Ingraham and Bromfield. Bordeaux	1783 February 10	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 95.
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to Benjamin Franklin

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Desire to know whether it is necessary to have a particular passport for their vessel, which is about to sail for New England.

Sazy, Guillaume. Fiume to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 11	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 96.
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Begging Franklin to grant him the position of American Consul or Agent at any sea-port he may be pleased to name.

Loyseau, -----. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 11	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 97.
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Presumes Franklin failed to receive his last letter, asking if there was any market for steel in America. (In French.)

Bussy-Dagoneau, comte de. Chateau de Pierre Encize to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 12	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 98.
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Sends him an ode on peace, also an account on himself [2p.], the reason for his present captivity and his hopeless state of health. (In French.)

Linckh, Jean Bernard. Hirschberg to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 12	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 99.
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Begs Franklin to recommend him to those American merchants who trade in linens. (In French.)

Vaughan, Samuel Jr. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 13	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXVII, 100.
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Accepting his invitation for dinner on Sunday.

Amandeur, J François. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 13	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 102.
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Desires to go to America. Is a watch maker. (In French.)

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MacMahon, John. At the Military school in Paris 1783 February 13 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVII, 103.
to Benjamin Franklin

Will break a previous engagement to wait on him the following Sunday.

Mailly, chevalier de. Paris 1783 February 13 L.S. 1p. XXVII, 104.
to Benjamin Franklin

Inquires if it is true that the United States grants large tracts of land on advantageous terms to those who will cultivate them.

(In French.)

Mirabeau, marquis de. Paris 1783 February 13 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 105.
to Benjamin Franklin

Dr. Gastellier desires to know if Franklin will accept the dedication of his book; speaks in the highest terms of this physician.

(In French.)

De Vinck and Co. Ostend 1783 February 13 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 106.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring to send over several vessels to Boston or Philadelphia and form an establishment there; their agent in Philadelphia, Rodolph Tillier, obtained from Mr. Adams the best letters of recommendation.

(In French.)

Siegmüller, Capt -----. Austria 1783 February 13 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 107.
to Benjamin Franklin

German by birth. Served in the Austrian army. Begg Franklin to procure him some suitable position in America.

(In Latin.)

Perret, -----. Nantes 1783 February 14 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 108.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending him the proceedings relative to certain prizes.

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(In French.)

Ollivier and Others (Municipal Officers of Port Louis). Port Louis to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 14	L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 24 1/2.
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Desire to obtain for Port Louis the privilege of trading with the United States; they have written on this subject to the Marquis de Castries.

(In French.)

Vaughan, Samuel Jr. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	[1783 February 14]	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXVII, 101.
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Enclosing a letter from Mr. [William] Hodgson. Lord Surr[e]y talked of as Ambassador to America. Report of Mr. [Henry] Laurens's intended arrival in Paris on the 11th inst.

Williams, David to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 14	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 109.
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Mr. Mace, Secretary to Mr. Murray during his Embassy to Constantinople, desires to be employed by the United States as Ambassador to the Porte, as Secretary to the Embassy, or Consul in Europe.

Bissy, Stefano, baron de. Bruges to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 15	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 110.
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Enthuses over the establishment of peace and the crowning of Franklin's labors; wishes him a long life and happiness.

(In French.)

Bryan, Arthur and William Jr. Dublin to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 15	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 111.
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Requesting a passport for their ship which will be ready to sail in sixteen or eighteen days. Thinks it will be necessary for the commerce of the United States to have a Consul at Dublin; offer themselves.

Macarty, George William René. Vannes to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 15	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 112.
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Has forgotten his father's address, so begs Franklin to forward him the enclosed letter.

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(In French.)

Lalanne, -----. Bayonne 1783 February 15 L.S. 3p. XXVII, 113.
to Benjamin Franklin

Never doubted the success of America from the moment of her Treaty of Alliance with France.
Advantages of the port of Bayonne as a center of trade with the United States.
(In French.)

Lanoix, L. Bordeaux 1783 February 15 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 114.
to Benjamin Franklin

Wrote December 10th asking for a passport for his vessel "Le Grand d'Estaing"; imagines the peace will enable him to dispense with this precaution; wishes to know if an English passport is necessary.

Ortlieb, J.M. Reichenweyr, Upper Alsace 1783 February 16 A.L.S. 12p. LIX, 10.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning the cultivation of the vine. Accompanied by a French essay on same subject, addressed to M. Joly de Fleury, Director-General of Finances.

John Torris and Wante. Dunkerque 1783 February 16 L.S. 2p. XXVII, 115.
to Benjamin Franklin

Reminding him of his promise to give them one of the hundred passports he expects from London together with a letter of recommendation for Messrs. Bache and Shee at Philadelphia; determined to hasten the departure of their vessel, the "Franklin," which only waits for the desired passport.
A.E. by Dr. Franklin. Will make a letter of recommendation to Messrs. Bache and Shee and send it with the passport.

Schopman, -----. Anvers 1783 February 17 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 116.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to go to Philadelphia, Boston or Charleston, and Practise as an architect; begs Franklin to grant him a free passage.
(In French.)

Fleury and Demadières. Orleans 1783 February 17 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 117.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Sending a bill for the expenses incurred in forwarding various boxes to Dr. Franklin; desires to know whether a red box marked B.F., contents unknown, is intended for him.

(In French.)

Price, M. Paris	1783 February 17	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 118.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to name her husband American Agent at Marseilles.

(In French.)

Roze de Chantoiseau, Mathurin	1783 February 17	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 119.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Hopes Franklin will accept the work he sends; ardently desirous that his scheme for the liquidation of a state's debt may be of use to America.

(In French.)

Loyseau, -----	1783 February 17	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 120.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Reason why he wrote Franklin regarding the means of exporting steel to America. Slanders against him by Mr. William Alexander; defends himself from such an attack. His high opinion of [Comte] de Benyowsky.

(In French.)

Westerwick, ----- and Friedrich Steyn.	1783 February 17	L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 121.
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Paris
to Benjamin Franklin

His promise to grant them letters of recommendation to Boston and Philadelphia; they are about to go to America on business.

Woddrop, John. Glasgow	1783 February 17	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 122.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Desires his opinion as to what merchandise of Ireland, Scotland and Great Britain will have the best chance of selling in America; mentions certain fabrics which will be in great demand during the summer season; if he needs a pass to ship these articles, begs Franklin to send him one.

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Herman Heyman's Sons. Bremen 1783 February 17 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 123.
to Thomas Morris

Delighted at America's independence; their commercial relations with the United States; expect to send a vessel there in three weeks; their partners are Mr. Henry Talla and Mr. Arnold Delius; refers Franklin to the latter's letter of the 7th inst.; desire letters of introduction and recommendation, especially to Congress, in order that they may receive protection and consideration.

A.E. by Dr. Franklin. The inhabitants of North America accustomed to treat strangers with hospitality and kindness; a recommendation to the Governor to protect them is neither necessary nor usual; encloses a letter to friends who will give Mr. Delins any advice a stranger may need.

Van de Perre, P.E. Marseilles 1783 February 18 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 125.
to Benjamin Franklin

Delighted at the approaching peace. Recommending M. Conclair for the position of Consul at Marseilles.

(In French.)

Buchan, David Stewart Eskine, Earl of, 1742-1829 1783 February 18 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 126.
to Benjamin Franklin

His desire to promote the emigration of certain of his countrymen to the United States.

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Bertier, Père Joseph Etienne. Paris 1783 February 18 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 127.
to Benjamin Franklin

Offers to send him his history on the beginning of the world and of men, proved by the agreement between the laws of physics and the book of Genesis.

(In French.)

Valltravers, Johann Rodolph. Vienna 1783 February 19 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 128
to Benjamin Franklin and 129.

Congratulating him on the glorious success of all his labors; offers various suggestions which he believes will be of use to the United States; will procure all these advantages for America as soon as he is authorized to do so by Congress. Presents the application of an old friend of his, an eminent

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surveyor and engineer, who desires a commission from Congress to employ his squadron of four ships on a voyage of discovery on their behalf; what he would require of Congress in return for his services.

(In duplicate.)

Counèler, Laurent. Marseilles to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 19	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 130.
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Asking for the position of Consul at Marseilles.

(In French.)

Lynen le jeune, Isaac. Stolberg to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 19	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 131.
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Interested in the manufacture of various articles in brass; inquires if there is any market for these wares in America.

(In French.)

Weinbrenner, Joseph Paul Reichsfreiherr von. Vienna to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 19	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 132.
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Desiring Franklin to furnish him with the names of various reliable firms in Boston, Philadelphia and New York with which they may enter into commercial relations.

(In French. In duplicate.)

Pomaret, Jean Gal. Ganges to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 20	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 133.
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Enclosing a letter for Miss Laurens. Recommends M. Marc-Antoine Bazile for the position of Consul at Languedoc.

(In French.)

Ruellan de Gallinée, J-Fr to Benjamin Franklin	1783 February 20	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 134.
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Concerning certain bills of exchange paid by the State of South Carolina in exchange for certain goods sent to Charleston; desires to know the value in French money of these bills.

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(In French.)

Fottrell, John. Ostend 1783 February 21 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 135.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires his opinion as to the advisability of sending to America any goods of English manufacture; asks for a pass which will insure their safety on arrival. Requested by the Chief Magistrates of Ostend to inform Franklin that every encouragement and facility will be granted to American trade in Belgium.

A.E. by Dr. Franklin. Cannot advise him to send any British goods to America till he hears that the trade is open; acknowledging his offers of services and glad to hear of the Magistrates' good will.

Barry, Amelia. Pisa 1783 February 21 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 136.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating him on the decision of the late contest, and wishing him all future prosperity and happiness. The severity of her fortune will never permit of her returning to England. Acknowledging Franklin's kindness in honoring her recommendation of Dr. and Miss Burrows; heard from the latter that Franklin mentioned his intention of sending her a sufficient sum to enable her to take her little helpless family to England; fears his letter on this subject may have miscarried; however, does not wish to solicit pecuniary favors; is accustomed to poverty herself and only worries about the future of her children.

Triol, Roux and Co. Marseilles 1783 February 21 L.S. 3p. XXVII, 137.
to Benjamin Franklin

The manner in which the Captain of their vessel had been obliged to make very disadvantageous terms after selling his cargo; thinks now that peace is declared and things readjusted, some compensation is due them.

(In French.)

Price, M. Paris 1783 February 22 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 138.
to Benjamin Franklin

Reminds Franklin of her request for a Consulship for her husband; begs him to write to Congress on the subject; applies to him as she would to her father.

(In French.)

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Wright, Patience. London 1783 February 22 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 139.
to Benjamin Franklin

Has just made up her packet for America, which goes by a faithful servant of Governor Franklin's; present address of the Governor; his work on behalf of the Tories; his health bad and he looks old. News of her own son Joseph being cast away near Boston in the ship "Argo." Hopes to see Franklin in Philadelphia that summer. Her righteous indignation at the Parliament in England; they adopt the faults of George and Charlotte. Great reception which Franklin would meet with if he came to London. Messages to his grandson. All the wise and prudent wait for the season to set out for America.

Vivier, L. La Rochelle 1783 February 22 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 140.
to Benjamin Franklin

Is about to send a vessel to Chesapeake Bay for purposes of trade; if it is necessary to have a passport in order to unload his cargo, begs Franklin to send him one.
(In French.)

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 February 23 A.L.S. 2p. XXXVIII,
to Benjamin Franklin 129.

Enclosing a letter from [Tristram] Dalton, of Newburyport, asking for a larger allowance from Government for the brig "Fair Play."

Dufour, Madame. Paris 1783 February 24 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 141.
to Benjamin Franklin

Her husband is a master tailor and is unable to pay his debts; her child of fourteen months often wants the necessaries of life; begs Franklin to arrange for them to go to America where she and her husband can find work.
(In French.)

Le Grand de Castelle, -----. Dunkirk 1783 February 24 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 142.
to Benjamin Franklin

Offering his services as American Consul at Dunkirk.
(In French.)

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Vaughan, Benjamin. London 1783 February 25 A.L.S. 8p. XXVII, 143.
to Benjamin Franklin

Terms of the peace not approved in England. His sympathy with England's present principles and his belief in the ultimate improvement of those who remain in office. Expects Franklin to visit him in London; has his apartments all prepared. Asks for a letter on behalf of Mr. Joshua Grigby, Jr., who, notwithstanding his considerable advantages of birth and fortune, intends going out to settle in America. Requests a second letter for Mr. John Darby, a relative of his own and Admiral Darby; will be very angry if Johnson did not get the Philosophical books Franklin wanted. Jack Lee execrates the peace and talks of "our fine fleet." Report that Franklin abuses England as much as ever he did during the war; his answer to all such accusations.

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Froger de Larigaudière, ----- 1783 February 25 D.S. 4p. LV, 24.
to Benjamin Franklin

The advantages to the United States of having a free trading port in the Province of Saintonge, France; location of the port of Oleron in said province, near the town of Marennnes, and its natural advantages and facilities for trade; offers to give his services free to the United States as Consul at the said port and town.

(In French.)

Bellujeu, Count de [?]. Champlitte 1783 February 25 A.L.S. LI, 22.
to Benjamin Franklin Verses. 4p.

Sends Dr. Franklin a military song in honor of King Louis, Washington and Franklin and requests the latter to forward a medal of Henri IV of France to General Washington.

(In French.)

Hodgson, William. London 1783 February 25 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 144.
to Benjamin Franklin

Complains at having been made to pay £23 for a pass for his ship "Mary"; consults Franklin about the advisability of sending their cargo before a Treaty of Commerce is settled; loss which a delay will mean to them; suggests that a letter to Congress in their favor might do away with any danger of

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seizure or confiscation. State of English politics; the Shelburnites completely routed; thinks this will make no difference to America; Lord Shelburne's lack of friends.

Ingenhousz, Jan 1783 February 26 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 145.
to Benjamin Franklin

Hears that Franklin is certainly coming to Vienna; points out the most comfortable mode of travelling; wishes he were to accompany Franklin through Italy. Franklin's important share in the revolution and his present triumph over certain English statesmen. America's next danger will be internal disunion. Desire of many persons to settle there; would like to do so himself had his capital invested with Mr. [Samuel] Wharton turned out as he expected; cannot believe that Mr. Wharton is such a mean sharper; account of the contradictory letters written him by Mr. Coffyn and Dr. Bancroft. Describes a business transaction with Mr. [Jonathan] Williams, [Jr.]; begs Franklin's consideration of these business matters. M. Le Bègue [de Presle]'s delay in regard to the printing of his work.

Luce-Seillans, marquis de. Grasse 1783 February 26 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 146.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires Franklin to obtain from the King the freedom of the port of Antibes in favor of the United States of America; the advantages offered by this port for a commerce between France and America. (In French.)

Haxthausen, Clemens August. Hildesheim 1783 February 26 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 147.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulates Franklin on the glorious peace and sends him a Latin inscription for the statue of the King of France which is to be erected in Philadelphia. (In French.)

Saint Martin, -----. Tonneins 1783 February 27 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 148.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to know in what manner the officers attached to the American service will be treated; entered the army in 1776 as Lieutenant-Colonel and only returned to France two months before to re-establish his health. (In French.)

Roberdeau, Daniel. Philadelphia 1783 February 28 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 149.

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to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating him on the peace and asking him to forward the enclosed.

Embser, Johann Valentin 1783 February 28 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 150.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulates Franklin on having created a great Nation and given back to the other hemisphere their natural rights. As the editor of the Ancient Classical Writers, desires to know if Franklin approves of these works, and if he will mention some agent who will facilitate their sale in America.

(In French.)

Pownall, Thomas. Richmond, Surrey 1783 February 28 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 151.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulations on the peace. Remarks on the condition and prospects of the United States. His deed to Harvard College. His project of making a tour of America.

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Chalut, Mme de [1783.] February 28 L. in 3d P. 1p.XLIII, 147.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sends a letter from his friends at Leghorn. Hopes Franklin will see that their request is complied with.

(In French.)

Lafreté, Jean-Jacques de. Paris 1783 March 1 L.S. 2p. XXVII, 152.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring Franklin to see his friend, M. Gallard de Bayonne. It was his brother for whom he asked the Consulship at Bayonne; his little wife pretty well but she would be still better if she could see Franklin more often.

(In French.)

Cartineau, L. W. Bordeaux 1783 March 1 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 153.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to know whether his plan of establishing a sugar refinery in America is a hazardous enterprise or not.

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(In French.)

Urtado, marquis. Paris 1783 March 2 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 154.
to Benjamin Franklin

A work written by an intimate friend, entitled "The Eagle and the Owl," contains an article which concerns Franklin and which he hopes will prove worthy of perusal.

(In French.)

Des Essarts, Nicolas-Toussaint Le Moyne. Paris 1783 March 2 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 155.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending his work which contains an account that may interest him of the lightning-rod of St. Omer.

(In French.)

Richard, Nicolas. Collège de Lisieux 1783 March 2 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 156.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending his ode on peace; has omitted one verse out of consideration for Franklin's modesty; begs Franklin to procure him a position.

(In French.)

Gargaz, Pierre-André. Thèze 1783 March 2 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 157.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires Franklin to procure from the King letters of rehabilitation, so that he may be reinstated in his old position.

(In French.)

Sparre, J de 1783 March 1 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 158.
to Benjamin Franklin

If Franklin still desires to open a printing establishment in America, will come to Paris with M. Fournier [le jeune] and talk over the plan.

(In French.)

St. Clair, ----- 1783 March 3 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 159.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Had no doubt, on coming to Paris, that Franklin would endorse his application for indemnity; has had no dinner for two days; hopes Franklin will put him in the way of returning to America.

Bachelier, Jean-Jacques. Paris 1783 March 3 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 160.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating him on the peace. He and Madame Bachelier desire Franklin's presence at dinner.
(In French.)

Gastellier, René-Georges. Montargis 1783 March 3 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 161.
to Benjamin Franklin

His gratitude for the kind manner in which Franklin received the dedication of his book.
(In French.)

Windisch-Grätz, comte de. Brussels 1783 March 3 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 162.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging Franklin's kind approval of his plan; surprised that the copies have not come to hand.
(In French.)

Du Radier, -----. Nantes 1783 March 4 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 163.
to Benjamin Franklin

Reported that Franklin is looking for workmen who will make cotton fabrics in America. Offers his services as well as those of two of his friends; if he receives a favorable reply, will unfold his plan in detail.
(In French.)

Crome, A.F.W. Dessau 1783 March 4 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 164.
to Benjamin Franklin

Intends writing a book which will contain an enumeration of all the productions of the United States and which will show the economic condition of that country; it will be on the same plan as his work on the productions of Europe. Desires any advice and information he will communicate on this subject.
(In French.)

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 March 5 A.L.S. 3p.

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130.

Concerning an *arrêt* published by the King, suspending for a year the payment of all bills drawn by the Marine in America; the serious loss this will mean to him if carried out; encloses a letter to the Minister which he begs Franklin to forward at once with his support and recommendation.

St. Clair, -----

1783 March 5

A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 166.

to Benjamin Franklin

Unless Franklin furnishes him with the means of returning to America, he must enlist as a private in the French service.

Roze de Chantoiseau, Mathurin. Paris

1783 March 5

A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 167.

to Benjamin Franklin

Hopes Franklin's silence is not caused by disapproval of his plan for a National Bank; realizes that it is far from a state of perfection; but hoped it could be put in use.

(In French.)

Vogler, abbé. Paris

1783 March 5

A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 168.

to Benjamin Franklin

Had the honor of explaining to Franklin his new musical theory; his instrument, the Tonometer, approved by the Academy of Sciences; desires Franklin's presence at the presentation of his opera entitled "Patriotism." Recommending a rich merchant of Mayence for the position of American Agent.

(In French.)

Vaughan, Samuel Jr. Paris

1783 March 6

A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 169.

to Benjamin Franklin

Mr. Nairne's patent machines are put up for Dr. Franklin; death of Dr. [William] Hunter. Propriety of bringing Dr. Priestley forward again for the vacant seat in the Academy of Sciences. Reminding Dr. Franklin of his brother's request for introductory letters for Mr. John Darby and Mr. Grigby. Day appointed for the Due de Chaulnes to meet Dr. Franklin at Mr. Hoffman's.

The Ambassador of Spain. Paris

1783 March 6

L. in 3d P. 1p. XLIV, 55.

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to Benjamin Franklin

Accepts his invitation for himself and Chevalier del Campo. Will acquaint Vicomte de la Herreria of Franklin's polite intentions.

(In French.)

Hodgson, William. London 1783 March 6 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 170.
to Benjamin Franklin

Enclosing a draft of a Bill now in the House which will doubtless pass into a law for restoring trade between England and America, also a letter from the Earl of Buchan. Appointment of [Sir William] Jones as one of the Judges in Bengal. The prisoners at last ordered away to France.

Laval and Wilfilsheim. Paris 1783 March 6 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 172.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desire to know if a letter sent by them reached him safely.
(In French.)

Gika, Alexandre Andronique . Paris 1783 March 6 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 173.
to Benjamin Franklin

Offers his services to the United States.
(In French.)

Vicq d' Azyr, Félix 1783 March 7 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 174.
to Benjamin Franklin

Requested by the Royal Society of Medicine to send Franklin the enclosed tickets for the public meeting. The Society anxious to open correspondence with the College of Medicine in Boston; the diploma sent to Mr. [John] Adams.

(In French.)

**Antonio Francesco Salucci et fils .
Leghorn** 1783 March 7 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 175.
to Benjamin Franklin

The declaration of peace and the independence of America offer to Tuscany the opportunity of entering into commercial relations with America; favorable situation of their port; their desire to send

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two of their vessels to Philadelphia as soon as possible; begs Franklin to recommend their house to Congress.

(In French.)

Paleske, Charles. Danzig 1783 March 7 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 176.
to Benjamin Franklin

Wishes to know what encouragement will be given to would-be settlers in America; desires the names of the principal maritime towns of the United States, to which they may send their ships and cargoes.

Lafosse, ----- de. Bruges 1783 March 7 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 177.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to emigrate to America with his family. Describes his project for drawing up a code of laws; renounced it on hearing that Franklin proposed to carry out a similar undertaking.

(In French.)

Tourton and Ravel. Paris 1783 March 7 L.S. 2p. XXVII, 178.
to Benjamin Franklin

Enclosing a letter from M. Schutze of Berlin to Mr. Bache.

(In French.)

Ahax, -----, baronne d'. Paris 1783 March 8 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVII, 179.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring to know who Mr. Jégnis[?] really is.

(In French.)

Grattepain-Morizot, Jacques-Phillippe. 1783 March 8 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 180.
Paris
to Benjamin Franklin

Recommending M. [André] Chester for the position of Consul at Marseilles; if the Marquis de la Fayette has returned, is sure he will interest himself in his behalf.

(In French.)

Viau, Mme and ---- Vineau. Nantes 1783 March 8 L.S. 1p. XXVII, 181.

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to Benjamin Franklin

Claiming their share of prize-money from the "Pallas."
(In French.)

Patriotisme, Masonic Loge of. Paris	1783 March 8	L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 182.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring Franklin's presence at the dedication of their new Temple.
(In French.)

Hermans, Heroquelle. Saint-Pol	1783 March 9	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 183.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Offering all the fabrics in his manufactory at the same prices for which he sells them at home; asks for the name of some American merchant of good standing with whom they can transact business.
(In French.)

Ferrier, -----. Lille	1783 March 9	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 184.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to know if America offers any encouragement to Genevese who wish to establish themselves there as clock and watch makers.
(In French.)

Launey de Fresney, François de. Laval	1783 March 9	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 185.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Prejudicial effect of peace on their linen trade with the United States; question of a free admission of tobacco into France; unusual quantity of this commodity consumed by the French. Result of taxing this product; injury to the manufactories of Laval; begs Franklin to report the state of the case to the Ministers of the King.
(In French. Copy.)

Vincent and fils. Ganges	1783 March 9	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 185 1/2.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Announcing the intention on the part of many of their countrymen to emigrate to America; desire to know what advantages they will receive.

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(In French.)

Lafreté, Jean-Jacques de. Paris 1783 March 10 L.S. 1p. XXVII, 186.
to Benjamin Franklin

Again recommends M. Gallard to Franklin's kind attention. He and his wife in daily expectation of seeing Franklin at dinner.

(In French.)

Biedermann, Ehrenhold Fredric. Paris 1783 March 11 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 187.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring Franklin to name a time when he may talk to him about commercial relations between Saxony and America.

(In French.)

Pinelli (born Constanzia), ----- de. 1783 March 12 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 188.
Honskotte
to Benjamin Franklin

Offering his services to America as engineer.

(In French.)

Bonzon, ----- Trévoux 1783 March 13 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 189.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires the names of the principal movers in the Revolution, the Generals, etc.

(In French.)

Nesbitt, Jonathan 1783 March 13 A.N. in 3d P. LXXIV, 107.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Request for a pass for Mr. Bacon.

Mikoviny, Major Anthony. London 1783 March 13 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 190.
to Benjamin Franklin

Obliged to give up his commission and leave Hungary on account of an unfortunate affair; his desire to establish himself in America. Offers his services to the Congress.

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Calder, John Dr. London 1783 March 13 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 191.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing Lieut.-Gen. [Robert] Melvill, who is appointed to negotiate on behalf of himself and his fellow sufferers in Tabago, the scapegoats of their country who have been transferred with the Island without any stipulation in favor of their rights and properties. Gave up his profession and has ever since been a private member of the Church of Unitarian Christians in Essex; his intention some day of transporting himself and his books to America; the latter in any event shall be ultimately deposited in the Library [Company of Philadelphia] founded by Franklin. His interest in the Constitution of Pennsylvania.

Whitehurst, John. London 1783 March 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 192.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating Franklin on the restoration of peace and the natural rights of mankind in America; his wishes for the prosperity of the provinces.

von Lilienstern, August Friedemann 1783 March 14 A.L.S. 4p. LIX, 69.
Rühle. Dillenburg near Wezlar
to Benjamin Franklin

Has plans of colonization. (See LIX, 9, page 45.) Mentions Count Wiedrunkel. Fears English emissaries may send his emigrants to Canada.
(In German.)

Du Saillant, marquis. Paris 1783 March 14 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 194.
to Benjamin Franklin

Apologizing for having opened a letter addressed to Dr. Franklin, under the impression that it was for himself.
(In French.)

Sarsfield, Guy-Claude, comte de 1783 March 14 A.L. in 3d P. XXVII, 195.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Asking Franklin for the letter of recommendation promised to the Lady Juliana Penn, whose son [John] is about to go to Pennsylvania.

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(In French.)

Johann Wilhelm and Johann Gottfried 1783 March 14 L.S. 4p. LIX, 48.
Spangenberg. Rubla, Henneberg County,
Saxony

to Benjamin Franklin

During the war they sent many guns indirectly to America. Offer to supply new and uniform fire-arms. Mention of Johann Friedrich Droop in Hamburg.

(In German.)

Johann Wilhelm and Johann Gottfried 1783 March 14 L.S. 4p. XXVII, 193.
Spangenberg. Rubla, Henneberg County,
Saxony

to Benjamin Franklin

During the war they sent many guns indirectly to America. Offer to supply new and uniform fire-arms. Mention of Johann Friedrich Droop in Hamburg.

(In English.)

Boisroger, ----- de. Chartres 1783 March 14 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 196.
to Benjamin Franklin

Is Secretary to the King and Honorary Inspector of the Manufactories of France; takes the liberty of recommending M. Chauveau, who desires to enter Franklin's service for life, in whatever capacity he may think fit to employ him.

(In French.)

Colden, Henrietta Maria. Douglas, Isle of 1783 March 14 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 197.
Man

to Benjamin Franklin

Soliciting Franklin's protection for her infant sons, natives of New York; compelled by the death of her husband Richard Nicholls Colden, eldest son of Alexander Colden, and the distresses and calamities of war to leave America in 1778, and with her two children came to her father in the Isle of Man; thinks they should still be received under the protection of the Governor of New York and possess their rights of inheritance; relies on Franklin's intercession.

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Gauthey, Emiland Marie. Paris 1783 March 14 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 198.
to Benjamin Franklin

Franklin has no doubt read the prospectus sent him by M. Dufourny de Villiers, concerning the diffusion of sound through tubes; desires to know Franklin's opinion on the subject, and to adorn his list with Franklin's name.

(In French.)

Carrouge,-----. Monceaux 1783 March 15 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 199.
to Benjamin Franklin

Recommending a man for the position of private secretary; his desire to go to America and have a free passage to Boston. Many artisans in his parish who would willingly go to America if there is any demand for them there.

(In French.)

Vaughan, Benjamin. London 1783 March 15 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 200.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing Mr. Mackinnen to whom his father-in-law, Mr. [William] Manning, desires to be useful.

Joly de Fleury de La Valette, Jean-François. Paris 1783 March 15 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 201.
to Benjamin Franklin

Question of certain bills of exchange; a positive assurance of their being paid at the expiration determined by the decree of the King's Council.

(In French. Press copy.)

Boillat, Peter and others. St. Malo 1783 March 15 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 202.
to Benjamin Franklin

Commanded the privateer "Laurens" and was taken by a sloop-of-war "The Germain" on the coast of America; plundered of everything and imprisoned on board the "Old Jersey"; made his escape and came to St. Malo, where for three months he has been given board and lodging by a poor Irishman; four American sailors there in the like situation; begs for forty guineas to pay their debts and to enable them to go on board the ship "Pacifique," bound to Boston.

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Nivernois, Le Duc de 1783 March 16 L. in 3d P. 1p.XLIII, 162.
to Benjamin Franklin

Recommending M. Dupin Dassart who is about to leave for America to settle there. Requests Franklin also to recommend his protégé to Mme. Izard, who is returning to America.
(In French.)

Saunier, Pierre-Maurice. Paris 1783 March 17 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 203.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sends him an ode on the return of peace.
(In French.)

Marion frères. St. Malo 1783 March 17 L.S. 1p. XXVII, 204.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending a petition from some unfortunate Americans who desire to return to America on the ship "Pacifique"; sorry they are unable to employ these men on the voyage and thus procure them a free passage; offering to take them as passengers.
(In French.)

Du Bouchet, Denis-Jean-Florimond de 1783 March 17 L. in 3d P. 2p.XXVII, 205.
Langlois de Mautheville, chevalier. Paris
to Benjamin Franklin

Messages from his friends in Philadelphia; all his relations and friends in perfect health; desires to know when he may wait on Franklin and introduce Major-General [de] Béville, Lieut.-Col. of the American riflemen who, after the surrender of Burgoyne, called on Franklin at Passy; hopes he will not be less welcome since the taking of a second British army.

Viollier, J.P. Geneva 1783 March 17 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 206.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring some information of M. Denis Pallard, former Captain of their garrison, who left for America several years before; since then nothing has been heard of him; has been appointed guardian to his children; M. Pallard reported to have died in Charleston; encloses a memoir [2p.], setting forth all that is known of that gentleman's movements.

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(In French.)

De Coch, -----. Brussels to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 17	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 203 1/2.
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Recommending a Flemish painter, Herreyns, who has painted many pictures for the King at London, and is well-known among French artists.

(In French.)

Cadet de Vaux, Antoine-Alexis. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 19	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 207.
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M. Robillard has made some interesting observations on America; understood from him that the Americans, for the most part, use unleavened bread; suggests the opening of a correspondence between the School of Bakery and the [American Philosophical] Society of Philadelphia.

(In French.)

Wied-Neuwied, Friedrich Alexander Graf zu. Neuwied to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 19	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 208.
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Congratulating Franklin on the great results of his work. Recommends various products of their arts and manufactures which would be suitable for trade with the United States.

(In French.)

Wright, Patience. London to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 19	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 209.
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Disappointed at Franklin postponing his trip to England. Is now no longer regarded as "the old mad woman" but "the ingenious Mrs. Wright from America who told us the truth." Intentions of Members of Parliament to call a Committee of Safety. The death of her son Joseph, as well as of Mrs. [Margaret] Stevenson, has prevented her writing very often. News of Governor Franklin.

Guillaume, M. Morlaix to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 19	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 210.
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Desiring to follow his trade of machinist in America; requesting a passport and his passage over as well as a letter which will procure him certain advantages.

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(In French.)

Pio, Luigi de 1783 March 20 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 211.
to Benjamin Franklin

Has twelve copies of the Chevalier Filangieri's work entitled "Scienza della Legislazione"; waits Franklin's orders before sending them. Begg to know if the new medal struck off for America is finished, and if he can have one.

(In French.)

Forbach, Marianne Camasse, comtesse de [1779] March 20 A.L.S. 1p. XLIV, 251.
to Benjamin Franklin

Is just leaving for Versailles. Sends him a little memoir which was recommended to her. Will occupy her new house on her return. Expects Franklin will call to see her there and win a few games of chess.

(In French.)

Moylan, James. L'Orient 1783 March 21 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 212.
to Benjamin Franklin

Has delivered Franklin's despatches to the Captain of the frigate bound for America.

Wright, Patience. London 1783 March 21 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 213.
to Benjamin Franklin

By the desire of some of the honest members of Parliament, encloses proposals for a very useful weekly paper (which is much wanted at this time); no truth to be found in the newspapers. This new paper by franks and friends will find its way to all ranks of men; names of those who are interested. Is now quite in fashion; several noblemen called that day at her house. Her prayers for the "industrious, honest-hearted, weak English"; the honorable part France has acted, and the light from America have opened their eyes. They only want his help to bring peace and happiness to them again; begs Franklin to write to the members of Parliament and point out their proper course as regards the Articles of Peace. Great talk of a Committee of Safety; names of those spoken of in this connection. Desire of thousands to settle in America; this is probably why no Minister has been appointed. All his old friends in England rejoice in the hope of seeing him once more amongst them.

Gika, Alexandre Andronique . Paris 1783 March 21 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 213
to Benjamin Franklin 1/2.

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His services in the Russian army; M. de Castries's promise to employ him in the King's service; has already waited six months; prefers offering his services to the United States.

(In French.)

Albrecht, Nicolaus AB 1783 March 22 A.L.S. 3p. LIX, 47.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulates him upon the glorious success which has at last crowned his high undertakings. Informs him that he has knowledge of some bankers in Italy who might supply the American Commonwealth with some millions of florins at five per cent. interest; by means of the said bankers he could also obtain a few million copper coins.

(In German.)

Albrecht, Nicolaus AB 1783 March 22 L. 2p. XLIV, 56.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulates him upon the glorious success which has at last crowned his high undertakings. Informs him that he has knowledge of some bankers in Italy who might supply the American Commonwealth with some millions of florins at five per cent. interest; by means of the said bankers he could also obtain a few million copper coins.

(In German.)

Vergennes, Charles Gravier, comte de. 1783 March 22 L.S. 1p. LV, 25.
Versailles
to Benjamin Franklin

Sends copy of reply of the Marquis de Castries with reference to a seizure of funds belonging to the American frigate "Alliance" by a merchant of Bordeaux to satisfy a claim.

(In French. Press copy.)

La Marck et Stein, baron de. Stein 1783 March 23 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 214.
to Benjamin Franklin

Account of his flattering reception in America; left his youngest son in Boston with M. Martin Brimmer, that he might acquire the language and a knowledge of commerce. Desires to establish a business house in America for purposes of trade; begs for letters to certain French merchants; if he returns to America will take with him many would-be settlers.

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(In French.)

Williams, Jonathan Jr. to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 23	A.L.S. 2p.	XXXVIII, 131.
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Acknowledging Franklin's kind espousal of his cause with M. [Joly] de Fleury; finds the Minister will not grant the desired exception.

Croust, ----- Cordier de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 23	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 215.
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Induced by family troubles to seek solace in the land of liberty; asks for a passage for himself and four or five of his laborers.

(In French.)

Ludewig, Joachim Heinrich. Bützow to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 23	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVII, 216.
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Desires a position as professor of the German and Dutch languages at the University of Philadelphia, or as teacher of the historical and political sciences.

La Rochefoucauld, Louis Alexandre, duc de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 24	A.L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXVII, 217.
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Sending him the rough draft of a letter agreed upon yesterday; advises Franklin to hand it himself to the Comte de Vergennes the next day, or to speak to him about it. Adds his recommendation for the place of the United States Consul at Fécamp.

(In French.)

Poma, ----- Lorraine to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 24	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 218.
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Desires to settle in America and practise medicine there.

(In French.)

Biedermann, Ehrenhold Fredric. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 March 24	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 219.
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Reminding him of his promise to send him letters of recommendation to business houses in Philadelphia and Boston.

(In French.)

Mazue, -----. Marseilles	1783 March 24	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 220.
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to Benjamin Franklin

His merchandise in America paid for in paper money, which is worthless; desires to know if Congress will give him the equivalent in land of the amount he lost.

(In French.)

Herman Heyman's Sons. Bremen	1783 March 24	A.L.S. 4p.	XXVII, 221.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Their vessel, the "Batavia," will leave for Charleston in about three weeks to bring back a cargo of rice; offering to carry anything over Franklin may wish to send.

MacMahon, John. At the Military school	1783 March 25	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 222.
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in Paris
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing Mme. d'Herbigny, the daughter of Sir Walter Rutledge, an Irish gentleman; her desire to obtain a recommendation to the Comte de Vergennes.

Caffiéri, Jean Jacques	1783 March 25	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVII, 223.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Hears that the Americans intend raising a statue to the glory of the King; would be flattered to receive a commission for this monument.

(In French.)

Vaughan, Samuel Jr. Paris	1783 March 26	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 224.
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to Benjamin Franklin

An account of certain changes in the administration. Meeting of a committee of American merchants and the address they drew up for the King.

Lotbinière, Michel-Alain Chartier de.	1783 March 26	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVII, 225.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning his two seignories at the head of Lake Champlain; memoir which the Comte de Vergennes will hand Franklin on this subject; begs that the papers may be returned to him.
(In French.)

Cotte, Jules-François de. Paris 1783 March 26 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 226.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning the medals ordered by Franklin to be struck; account of a new metal imitating silver, which has been tried and found wanting.
(In French.)

Devoulx frères. Marseilles 1783 March 26 L.S. 2p. XXVII, 171.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sums owing to the firm by the United States; desires Franklin's advice as to the steps they must take to receive payment.
(In French.)

Herbigny, Marie-Julie Rutledge d'. Paris 1783 March 26 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 227.
to Benjamin Franklin

Account of the Rutledges and how they were ruined in the Stuart cause; a paralytic brother and a mother dependent on her; her husband a French officer and they have one child; desires the Comte de Vergennes to intercede with the King to procure her a pension; a Mr. Rutledge, a relation of hers, a member of the Congress.
(In French.)

Hopkinson, Francis. Philadelphia 1783 March 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 228.
to Benjamin Franklin

Manner in which the news of peace was received in America. Report of Franklin's intended return to America. His piece respecting trees. An account of a new game of cards he devised for the improvement of his children's spelling. A long letter he wrote to Franklin concerning a plot of Hopkinson's supposed friends to ruin him.

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Ferry, Gaspard-Bonaventure-Timothée. 1783 March 28 A.L.S. 18p. XXVII, 229.

Marseilles

to Benjamin Franklin

His admiration for Franklin's discoveries and experiments; however believes that they do not rest on sufficient physical grounds; a long explanation of his own beliefs and observations, with remarks on Franklin's theory.

(In French.)

Ginette frères and Luc Laugier. 1783 March 28 A.L.S. 2p. XXVII, 230.

Marseilles

to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning the capture of their brigantine, the "Maria Theresa," by an English corsair, and its recapture by a frigate belonging to the United States, by whom it was carried to Boston; enclosing a copy [3p.] of the official records entered at St. Pierre by the officers of the "Maria Theresa"; also a request for the restitution of the brigantine, by Pléville Le Pelley [1p.].

(In French.)

Steuben, Wilhelm Augustine von. Cüstrin 1783 March 29 A.L.S. (by LIX, 45.
to Benjamin Franklin Proxy). 2p.

Request to forward a letter to his son. Has not heard from General von Steuben. Doubts whether his letters have reached him.

Strange, Robert. Paris 1783 March 29 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 231.

to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulations on the success of his glorious and indefatigable labors. A letter from Mrs. Strange in London mentions a visit from Franklin's son. Intends setting out for London on Thursday. Commits the enclosed letters to Franklin's care.

Büyck, Pierre. Gand 1783 March 29 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 232.

to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a letter of exchange on which he wishes to realize the money.

(In French.)

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Villiers, Louis-Pierre Dufourny de 1783 March 29 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 233.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing M. de Quernay, 1 Colonel in the Engineer Corps, who commanded at the siege of Yorktown.

(In French.)

Other Descriptive Information

1 de la Combe de Querenet. (See Balch, *The French in America during the War of Independence*. II, 209, Philadelphia, 1895.)

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to Benjamin Franklin

Requests him to forward the enclosed letter to his son; asks him to acknowledge the receipt of his letters.

Froger de La Rigaudière, chevalier Louis 1783 March 30 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 234
Honoré. Paris 1/2.
to Benjamin Franklin

About according a free port to the Seudre river and the Isle of Oléron.
(In French.)

Bartoli, Joseph. Paris 1783 March 30 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 234.
to Benjamin Franklin

His Italian verses, first printed in London, which predicted the success of the Americans in the late war: sends Franklin a copy.

(In French.)

Hoffmeister, H. Adolphe. Heidelberg 1783 March 31 A.L.S. 1p. XXVII, 235.
to Benjamin Franklin

Profits by Franklin's kindness to his brother-in-law and to himself to send him the enclosed.
(In French.)

Horn, -----. St. Petersburg 1783 March 31 A.L.S. 4p. XXVII, 236.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Seeking the position of American Consul or Minister.
(In French.)

Lomagne-Tarride, vicomte de. Orthez 1783 March 31 A.L.S. 3p. XXVII, 237.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs Franklin to grant him, at once, land in America sufficient for himself and several of his vassals; desires the colony to bear Franklin's name; thinks his demand Justified by his military services in America.
(In French.)

H-----, J-----. Dublin 1783 March 31 A.L.S. 4p. XLIV, 58.
to Benjamin Franklin

Having observed in the public print the intention of the United States Commissioners in Paris to appoint agents in several of the ports of Great Britain, to correspond and regulate such matters as may be necessary between the two countries, the writer takes the liberty of offering his services to act as Agent for the port of Dublin or for Waterford or for both. States his claims and qualifications.

Beaujeu, comte ----- de. 1783 April 1 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 1.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sent Franklin a medal in silver gilt to be forwarded to Gen. Washington; joined to this a military chanson in honor of Franklin and Washington; begs for an acknowledgment.
(In French.)

Nogaret, François-Félix 1783 April 1 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 2.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging Franklin's recommendation of him to the Marquis of Serreul, for the position of Librarian.
(In French.)

**The Burgomasters and Senators of the
Republic of Hamburg** 1783 April 1 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 3.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging him to aid their merchants in forming commercial relations in America.

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(In French.)

Houdetot, Comtesse d' to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 2	L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 4.
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M. de Crevecoeur in great emarrassment from not having received Franklin's expected reply; importance of having it before his interview with M. de Castries.

(In French.)

Vaughan, Samuel Jr. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 3	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 5.
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Desiring to borrow a sum of money for which he encloses a bill on his brother William.

F-----, J-----. Wicklow to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 3	A.L.S. 4p.	XXVIII, 6.
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His offer to further the interest of the United States and Ireland; this he will be able to do from his general knowledge of trade and of the commerce of both countries; articles whose export to America would prove profitable.

Williams, Jonathan Sr to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 3	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 6 1/2.
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Account of his arrival in London and the great civility shown him by Messrs. Vaughan, Hodgson and Laurence. Some facts about the new Ministry. Told it will take some time to remove all the King's troops from America. Death of Mrs. Stevenson.

Von Lilienstern, August Friedemann Rühle. Dillenburg to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 3	A.L.S. 7p.	LIX, 9.
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Concerning German colonists to be sent to the United States. Has asked previously and fears colonists will apply to an English Agent or to Count Romanzow, Russian Ambassador at Frankfort. Wishes to be appointed United States Minister to various German districts . Plan of colonization.
(In German.)

Dubeaucage, -----. Marseilles to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 4	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVIII, 7.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

His plan to establish a business house in America; begs for Franklin's advice and protection.
(In French.)

Desbrossée, -----, Le Mans 1783 April 4 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 8.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to go to America under Franklin's protection and procure a position as engineer or architect.
(In French.)

Kirwan, Andrew. Passy 1783 April 5 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 9.
to Benjamin Franklin

His distressed situation; hopes Franklin will assist him.

Vergennes, Charles Gravier, comte de. 1783 April 5 L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 9 1/2.
Versailles
to Benjamin Franklin

Consenting to the publication in Paris of a translation of the Constitution of the United States, on condition that the sheets be forwarded to a censor for examination as fast as they shall be printed.
(In French.)

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Coquillot, -----, abbé. Paris 1783 April 6 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 10.
to Benjamin Franklin

Offering his verses on peace.
(In French.)

Belletti, Dominique-François. Trieste 1783 April 7 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 11.
to Benjamin Franklin

Discusses his plan of forming a commercial alliance between Austria and America.
(In French.)

Malarme, Charlotte de Bournon, 1783 April 7 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 12.
comtesse de. Paris
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Her enthusiasm for America; send a copy of her second work; whatever remuneration he chooses to make for it will be gratefully received.

(In French.)

The Municipality of Port Louis to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 7	L.S. 2p.	LV, 26.
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Sending a memoir on their port; well adapted for a depot for the trade of the United States.

(In French.)

Turner, Catharine. Leigh Lancaster, Eng to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 7	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 13.
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She married his nephew, John Mecom, and was a long time in his house in Philadelphia with Mrs. Franklin and Mrs. Bache; after Mr. Mecom's death, married Mr. Turner who died from wounds received in the war. Anxious to return to her native land and if possible procure a pension as the widow of an American officer.

Ingenhousz, Jan to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 8	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 14.
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Desires to know if Franklin received his letters, one with a new east of his profile framed, another requesting to dedicate his book to him. No word received from [Samuel] Wharton or [Francis] Coffyn. Asks his advice about the safety of some money placed in the Public Loan Office at Boston. Question of Franklin's coming to Vienna. Readiness of the Emperor to acknowledge the independence of America. Talk of a commercial treaty with America; chief exports. Vexed at the delay in printing his book.

Bibliography

Bowens, François-Jacques-Arnould. Ostend to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 8	L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 15.
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Has given the necessary directions to prevent Franklin's newspapers from being sent to him in future. Happy to have been of use to Franklin.

Bourdillon, ----- Montferrand to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 8	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 16.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Desires to buy a large tract of land near Williamsburg, which he and his family will occupy.
(In French.)

Froger de Larigaudière, -----, chevalier. 1783 April 8 L. in 3d P. XXVIII, 17.

Passy

to Benjamin Franklin

Relative to a request to the Comte de Vergennes for a free port near the Seudre river.
(In French.)

Floirac, abbé ----- de. Archbishop's 1783 April 9 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 18.

Palace, Paris

to Benjamin Franklin

Desire of Mme. la Comtesse d'Anterroches to send her letters to her son in America in Franklin's care.
(In French.)

Mackinnen, William Jr. Paris 1783 April 9 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 19.

to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning two books Mr. Vaughan gave him for Mr. Adams.

Jones, Herbert. Llynon, Anglesea 1783 April 9 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 20.

to Benjamin Franklin

Desire of a number of Welshmen to emigrate to America; if Franklin approves, he and others will take to America a colony of at least one thousand people, mostly artificers.

Godfrey Grosser's Widow and Co. 1783 April 10 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 21.

Leipzig

to Benjamin Franklin

Asks for the names of the best merchants in Philadelphia, and other ports, and for a list of the commodities which America most needs.

Utzschneider, Joseph. Munich 1783 April 10 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 22.

to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Concerning a Bavarian company who are anxious to trade with America. Begg Franklin for information relative to the articles most likely to sell in America and Europe; their intention of sending an agent to Philadelphia.

Galart, -----, Paris 1783 April 10 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 23.
to Benjamin Franklin

Will send Franklin a memoir setting forth the advantages which the port of Bayonne can offer to the United States if it were thrown open free to their commerce.
(In French.)

Coffyn, Francis, Dunkirk 1783 April 11 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 24.
to Benjamin Franklin

List of American prisoners whom he assisted with a little money during their stay in Dunkirk; has drawn on Franklin for the amount. Number of vessels despatched to North America since the conclusion of peace; his endeavor to promote the interest of the house of Bache and Shee of Philadelphia. Advantages the Port of Dunkirk offers to the American trade. Asking for a passport for Capt. Coreil's brig which sails for America under American colors.

Séгур, Philippe-Henri, marquis de 1783 April 11 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 25.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging the medal sent him by Franklin.
(In French.)

Belletti, Dominique-François, Trieste 1783 April 11 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 26.
to Benjamin Franklin

Intends sending a vessel to America for trade; no commercial treaty between Austria and America; desires to know if he is at liberty to sell his cargo there and purchase another for the return trip.
(In French.)

Bartoli, Joseph, Paris 1783 April 11 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 27.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging with enthusiasm Franklin's present of the medal; has attempted to put into verse a description of this ever glorious monument.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

(In French.)

Grivel, Guillaume. Paris 1783 April 11 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 28.
to Benjamin Franklin

M. Canolle begs that the letter Franklin promised him may be sent by the post.

(In French.)

Fleury, Joly de [1783.] April 11 L. in 3d P. 1p. XLIII, 180.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking Franklin for sending him the medal.

(In French.)

Halbach and fils, Jean and Gaspar 1783 April 11 A.L.S. 4p. XXVIII, 29.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to grant them a letter of recommendation to Congress, so that they may receive orders to supply the American army and fleet with arms of all kinds; the reputation of their house; possibility of establishing a house in Philadelphia; enclosing list of the arms manufactured by them.

(In French.)

Amelot de Chaillou, Antoine-Jean. 1783 April 12 L in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 30.
Versailles
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging with expressions of gratitude the medal sent him by Franklin.

(In French.)

Hilliard d'Auberteuil, Michel-René. Paris 1783 April 12 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 31.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs for the design of the medals struck by order of Congress, and of the mausoleums erected through Franklin's influence; a copy of these designs asked for by the book-seller to the King of Prussia, who is getting out an almanac in commemoration of the glorious revolution.

(In French.)

Perrot de Chezolles, -----. Paris 1783 April 12 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 32.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Enclosing a memoir from the inhabitants of La Ciotat, asking that their port may enjoy the same liberties and franchises as Bayonne in favor of the United States.

(In French.)

La Rochefoucauld, Louis Alexandre, duc de 1783 April 12 A.L. in 3d P. XLIV, 222.
2p.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanks Franklin for his fine medal. Asks him to send him the "Treaty with Sweden" and the "Preface." as the printer is waiting for them.

(In French.)

Grasse, François-Joseph-Paul, comte de. Paris 1783 April 13 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 33.
to Benjamin Franklin

Extremely flattered at receiving the medal sent him by Franklin. Will always remember how fortunate he was in having formed and carried out the project of taking Yorktown.

(In French.) 1

Other Descriptive Information

1 An incorrect translation of this letter is printed in Hale's Franklin in France, II, 263.

Saint-Auban, Jacques-Antoine Baratier, marquis de 1783 April 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 34.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging with many thanks the medal sent him by Franklin. He and Madame de St. Auban expect Franklin to dine with them soon after Easter.

(In French.)

Deux-Ponts, Marianne Camasse, duchesse La douairière de 1783 April 13 A.L.S. 1p. XLI, 52.
to Benjamin Franklin

Asking permission to bring a great friend of theirs, M. Delisle, to dine with Franklin. Thanking him for the medal.

(In French.)

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Walterstorff, ----- de [1783.] April 13 L. in 3d P. 1p.XLIII, 242.
to Benjamin Franklin

Is prevented from accepting Dr. Franklin's invitation to dinner.

Castries, M de 1783 April 13 L. in 3d P. 1p.XXVIII, 35.
to Benjamin Franklin

The ship "La Pintade" about to sail for America; begs Franklin to send any packets he may have for that country.

(In French.)

Palteau de Veimerange, Gabriel-Claude 1783 April 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 36.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging, with thanks, the medal sent him by Franklin.

(In French.)

Beaumont, Jean-Baptiste-Jacques Elie de 1783 April 14 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 37.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging, with thanks, the medal sent him by Franklin.

(In French.)

Stockar zur Sonnenbourg, ---- 1783 April 14 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 38.
to Benjamin Franklin

Criticism of the Abbé Raynal's works and style; prefers to translate the English pamphlets which he owes to Franklin. Recommending a friend who desires to go to America; would be glad to leave for America himself. Their pretended Helvetian freedom is gradually disappearing.

(In French.)

Belletti, Dominique-François. Trieste 1783 April 14 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 39.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring Franklin to forward the enclosed letter to Philadelphia.

(In French.)

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Grobert, L.J. de [Jacques-François-Louis?]. Marseilles 1783 April 14 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 40.
to Benjamin Franklin

Unable to carry out his project of writing the History of the American Revolution in Italian. Desires to found an asylum in America.
(In French.)

Baillivy, Chevalier de [1780] April 15 L.S. 1p. XLI, 112.
to Benjamin Franklin

He and his brother desire to obtain employment in America.
(In French.)

The Ambassador of the Emperor of Austria 1783 April 15 L. in 3d P. 2p.LV, 27.
to Benjamin Franklin

Requesting letters of introduction for Professor Märter who is about to set out for America on a tour of the world, having been appointed by the Emperor to secure a collection of animals and plants for His Majesty's zoological and botanical gardens.
(In French.)

Vaughan, Samuel Jr. 1783 April 15 L. in 3d P. 1p.XXVIII, 41.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending the first number of [Simon Nicolas Henri] Linguet's memoir on the Bastille; will send the second and third as soon as they come to hand; begs for their return as soon as Franklin has read them, as they are in great request.

Saint-Mars, Philippe de. Nantes 1783 April 15 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 42.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending Franklin an ode which he has composed on the peace.
(In French.)

Castries, M de 1783 April 16 L. in 3d P. 1p.XXVIII, 43.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Acknowledging the packet sent him by Franklin.

(In French.)

Williams, Jonathan Sr to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 16	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 431/2.
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Sending Franklin an abridged edition of the Common Prayer Book. Prefers London to any place he ever saw. Expectation among Franklin's friends of seeing him in England.

Greenleaf, Thomas. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 16	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 44.
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Sending a memoir in favor of their compatriot, M. Fanning, detained in the prison at Dunkirk; the cause of this detention is an accusation of theft against some of his crew; protests against such treatment; begs Franklin's intercession with the Minister of the King.

(In French.)

Pioger, ----- de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 17	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 45.
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Sending a certificate in favor of M. Le Febvre de Villeu.

(In French.)

Jay, Sir James. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	[1783?] April 17	A.L. in 3d P.	XL, 207. 1p.
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Begs for a speedy answer to his letter as he leaves Paris in a day or two.

Saint-Auban, Jacques-Antoine Baratier, marquis de and Geneviève Gruyn. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 18	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXVIII, 46.
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Their expectation of entertaining Franklin at dinner on the following Wednesday.

(In French.)

de Pioger, ----- Abbeville to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 17	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 45.
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Sending a certificate in favor of M. Le Febvre de Villeu.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

(In French.)

Jay, Sir James. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	[1783?] April 17	A.L. in 3d P. XL, 207. 1p.
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Begs for a speedy answer to his letter as he leaves Paris in a day or two.

Saint-Auban, Jacques-Antoine Baratier, marquis de and Geneviève Gruyn. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 18	L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 46.
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Their expectation of entertaining Franklin at dinner on the following Wednesday.

(In French.)

Choisy, Messrs. de and de Béville to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 18	L in 3d P. 1p. XLIV, 246.
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Called to thank Franklin for the Medal which he sent them.

(In French.)

Beaujeu, comte ----- de. Champlitte to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 18	A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 47.
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Thanking him for the medal.

(In French.)

Kéralio, Agathon Guynement, chevalier de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 18	A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 48.
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Expressing his appreciation of the medal.

(In French.)

Wintmülle, J.M. Hambourge to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 18	A.L.S. 6p. XXVIII, 49.
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The decision of Congress to establish a regular army in America; their offer of a prize for the best kind of powder for cannon, rifles, etc. Recommends a friend who has had a wide military experience and has made many valuable discoveries for the improvement and perfecting of muskets; report that

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

General Washington intends visiting Paris in the spring. Has in his possession a secret method of Gilding with imitation gold which in appearance and durability is superior to the real thing. Offers to procure him some books by Scandinavian Philosophers.

(In French.)

Watson, Ellkanah. London to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 19	N. in 3d P. 1p.	XLIII, 252.
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Sending Dr. Franklin a few papers.

Duchemin, Daniel. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 19	L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 50.
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Begs Franklin's influence with M. de Ségur that he may be given the Hotel d' Invalide.

(In French.)

Saint-Auban, Jacques-Antoine Baratier, marquis de and Geneviève Gruyn. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 20	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXVIII, 51.
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Extremely sorry not to have the pleasure of Franklin's company at dinner on the day appointed; delighted to receive him on the 25th.

(In French.)

Pio, Luigi de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 20	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXVIII, 52.
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Expressing his gratitude for the medal.

(In French.)

Deux-Ponts, Marianne Camasse, duchesse La douairière de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 April 21	A.L.S. 2p.	XLI, 43.
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Begging him to dine with them and meet [Charles] Prince de Deux Ponts, who has a proposition on the part of Bavaria concerning commercial relations with the United States. Often drinks his health with M. de Keralio. Thanking him for the four bottles of hock.

(In French.)

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Brancas, Marquis de 1783 April 21 A.L. in 3d P. XLIV, 261.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Inquires at what hour he can see Franklin to speak to him about a young man in whom he is interested and who is at Philadelphia.

(In French.)

Izard, Mrs. Ralph. Paris 1783 April 21 A.N. in 3d P. LXXIV, 111.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Request for a pass to America for her family and Miss Stead.

MacIntosh, -----. Paris 1783 April 22 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 53.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning certain parcels addressed to Dr. Franklin and others by Major [Samuel] White.

(In French.)

Duché, Jacob. Asylum, Lambeth 1783 April 22 A.L.S. 6p. XXVIII, 54.
to Benjamin Franklin

Will abide by Franklin's kind advice and wait with patience to hear from his friends in Philadelphia; left there with the full knowledge and approbation of his congregation; encloses a copy of the address sent him by the Church-wardens and vestrymen of Christ's Church and st. Peter's in Philadelphia [2p.]; believes his friends will solicit the Government in favor of his return; has written [John] Dickinson, Robert Morris and Gen. Washington; thinks a word of recommendation from Franklin would carry great weight. His son, aged twenty, is a pupil of Benjamin West and bids fair to become a fine painter; other details about his family. Encloses copy of an extract of a letter he wrote to Francis Hopkinson [8 p.] defending his motives for leaving England and expressing a desire to return to America, in spite of his present comfortable position.

Lameth, Charles-Malo-François, comte de . Paris 1783 April 22 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 55.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging the precious pledge of esteem with which America has honored him; in case of another war, hopes to find more opportunities of deserving so valued a reward.

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Greissot ?, -----. Villeneuve 1783 April 22 L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 56.
to Benjamin Franklin

Enclosing a memoir of Jaques Blanchés [2p.] asking for his share of the prize-money during his cruise on the "south Carolina."
(In French.)

Hadenbrock, Jean. Bordeaux 1783 April 22 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 57.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking him for his two letters of recommendation; intends sailing shortly in the "Grand d'Estating".
(In French.)

Strange, Isabella. London 1783 April 23 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 58.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanks him for his care of her correspondence; begs that the enclosed may be forwarded; it contains the copy of a will by which her cousin Mrs. [James] Hunter [of Richmond, Va.], inherits some money by the death of her grandfather the Rev. Dr. Russell.

Cachard, chevalier de. Marseilles 1783 April 23 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 59.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs him to answer a letter from a poor merchant of Marseilles, whose possession of a considerable sum in American paper money has contributed to his ruin.
(In French.)

Corny, Dominique-Louis Ethis de 1783 April 23 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 60.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing Mr. D'Acosta, a gentleman of Nantes, who has some business to discuss relative to America.

Coffyn, Francis. Dunkirk 1783 April 24 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 61.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desire to know whether Capt. Coreil may expect his passport. Sends an account of money advanced to American prisoners.

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(In French.)

Belletti, Dominique-François. Trieste 1783 April 25 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 62.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning his being made an American Consul. Desires an answer relative to the vessel he proposes sending to America.

(In French.)

Guinchart, François-Marie. Arpajon 1783 April 25 A.L.S. 6p. XXVIII, 62
to Benjamin Franklin 1/2.

Electrical treatment of a paralytic, a little girl of two years, with the help of clever surgeon in his parish; results obtained; begs for Franklin's opinion and advice.

(In French.)

Davies, Mary Ann. Florence 1783 April 26 A.L.S. 4p. XXVIII, 63.
to Benjamin Franklin

Anxious to hear concerning his health and happiness. Grief and trouble through which she and her sister have passed; their recent money loss; death of the Empress Maria Theresa who had always befriended them. Necessity of doing something for her support. Her facility in playing on the armonica; was the first and, she believes, the only successful public player on that instrument; suggests the possibility of being employed permanently by the Queen of France to play for her; begs Franklin's intercession for herself and also for her sister, who would sing in Italian operas or at the Queen's concerts; begs him not to instruct any other player on the armonica, or show them how to make one.

Kéralio, Agathon Guynement, chevalier 1783 April 26 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 65.
de
to Benjamin Franklin

Franklin expected all afternoon and greatly missed by the mistress of the house, her children, [Charles], Prince de Deux-Ponts and his humble servant; the Prince anxious to give Franklin the subjoined letter.

(In French.)

Brahm, François de. Collece 1783 April 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 66.

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to Benjamin Franklin

On behalf of an anxious family, begs for some news of a beloved son and brother; the last heard from him was a letter written from Philadelphia the year before.

(In French.)

Deux-Ponts, Marianne Camasse, duchesse [1783.] April 27 L. 1p. XLI, 44.

La douairière de

to Benjamin Franklin

Regretting her inability to give him a cup of tea on Monday; goes to the Italian comedy and then to Versailles for the rest of the week; urges him to dine with them the following week.

(In French.)

Madlin, -----, Paris 1783 April 28 A.L.S. 2p. CV, 49.

to Benjamin Franklin

Advising Dr. Franklin of an account due him by William Temple Franklin for repairs to a cabriolet.

(In French.)

Boudinot, Elias. Philadelphia 1783 April 28 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 67.

to Benjamin Franklin

Recommending Col. [Matthias] Ogden of the New Jersey line; his distinguished conduct in the late war. In daily and anxious expectation of the definitive treaty; no official letters have arrived since February. The terms of peace give universal satisfaction except the article relative to English debts; thinks three or four years at least should be allowed for their payment.

Wright, Patience. London 1783 April 28 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 68.

to Benjamin Franklin

Had a long chat with Franklin's son; he looks well but old, and is very prudent; consequence of his being chosen by New Jersey. Is now in fashion at Court and can speak useful truths. The Parliament divided with regard to the loyalists and the justice of their claims on the King. Nothing will be settled till Franklin makes them a visit. The Prince of Wales called on them on Friday. Lord Dartmouth and others employ her son-in-law to paint their portraits. Major Labilliere has the Christian army almost ready; he calls himself a Christian soldier.

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Ingenhousz, Jan 1783 April 29 A.L.S. 4p. XXVIII, 69.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing Mr. James Robertson. A description of his experiments in electricity. Unaccountable delay of M. Le Bègue de Presle in printing his manuscript; in case he is sick or dead, begs Franklin to engage M. Le Roy to undertake the business. Question of Franklin's visit to Vienna; adulation he will meet with; will try and prevent its being burdensome. Desired by Count Lacy, Maréchal of thier armies, to ask Franklin whether the famous sculptor, M. Ceraqui of Rome, could be employed in America for making statues, busts and monuments, which will doubtless be erected to thier eminent men. Regrets the choice of Ministers made by the King of England.

Morris, Robert. Philadelphia 1783 April 29 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 70.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing Col. Matthias Ogden of the New Jersey Brigade.

Brantsen, Gerard 1783 April 29 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 71.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending Franklin a letter which arrived for him from Vienna. Acknowledging his gift of the medal, a precious monument of a great epoch.
(In French.)

Roberts, Thomas. Dunkirk 1783 April 29 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 72.
to Benjamin Franklin

Commanded several privateers under the American and French flags; account of his capture and imprisonment in England; obtained his liberty and returned to Dunkirk; out of employment and destitute of means; begs for a commission to sail under American colors.

Blome, Baron Otto von. Paris 1783 April 30 L in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 73.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sent Franklin's letter to the Baron de Rosencrone. Acknowledging the gift of the medal.
(In French.)

Geay, François. Philadelphia 1783 April 30 L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 74.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Deserted from the French service about forty years before; spent two years in Holland, and since then has been a citizen in America; question of his inheriting a French estate; begs Franklin to obtain the necessary letters of pardon to enable him to enjoy this inheritance.

La Houssaye, -----, vicomte de. Rennes 1783 May 1 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 76.
to Benjamin Franklin

As the Chief Treasurer of the War Department in the Province of Brittany, sent many millions to Boston; in consideration of his services, asks that he may receive a medal celebrating America's independence.

(In French.)

Garos, Louis-Julien. Fontenay-le-Comte 1783 May 1 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 77.
to Benjamin Franklin

Account of François Geay's desertion from the French army; has fallen heir to an estate which he may not inherit because of this; begs Franklin to obtain his pardon.

Croust, -----, Cordier de . Laon 1783 May 2 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 78.
to Benjamin Franklin

His desire to emigrate to America with his family.

(In French.)

Vaughan, Samuel. Philadelphia 1783 [1784?] May 3 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 75.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sends the petition [2p., dated March 12, 1784] presented to the Assembly of Pennsylvania, it being a joint request from the American Philosophical Society and the Library Company of Philadelphia for greater convenience in their accommodations; mentions certain lots on State House Square as most suitable for the design intended; opposition to this request; thinks a letter from Franklin arriving before the motion is made would have great influence.

Sarsfield, Guy-Claude, comte de 1783 May 4 L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 79.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging for letters of recommendation for Jacques Mazurié, who intends establishing a commercial house at Philadelphia. Apologizing for an indiscreet question he asked Franklin. Concerning certain

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French officers who were present at the defeat of Lord Cornwallis and who propose asking Franklin to present them with the medal; will dissuade them from this step if Franklin wishes it.

(In French.)

Pierres, Philippe Denis to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 5	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 80.
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Sending Franklin three hundred copies of the description of the medal.

(In French.)

Benezet, Anthony. Philadelphia to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 5	A.L.S. 4p.	XXVIII, 81.
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Sending him a petition from François Geay; does not doubt Franklin's kind interposition in the poor fellow's behalf. Sends him a small collection on the simplicity of the Christian religion, which is worthy of serious consideration; refers to certain events mentioned in those pages, especially to the killings of one hundred Christianized and friendly Indians by the whites. Pronounces a tirade against war. After teaching the youth of Philadelphia for nearly forty years, has obtained the office of teacher of the black children and others of that people; his opinion of the infamous traffic in slaves; intends publishing a paper on the evils of slavery; quotes the Abbé Paynal; strongly desires Franklin's return.

Astruc, Daniel. Bordeaux to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 6	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 82.
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Enclosing a bill [1p.] against the Sicur Grive of New England, who bought certain merchandise of him, and then left without paying; begs Franklin to find out his present whereabouts.

(In French.)

Beyerlé de Fachevert, John Francis. Philadelphia to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 9	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVIII, 83.
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Franklin's kindness in furnishing him with letters of introduction for America; emboldened by this to ask his influence with his uncle, Major-General de Beyerlé, to send him enough money to purchase a piece of land and the animals, implements etc., to work it; begs Franklin to represent to his uncle the disagreeable consequences which will result from his refusal; may draw a letter of exchange on Franklin.

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(In French.)

Wilkinson, William and Miss Wilkinson 1783 May 9 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 84.
[Margaret or May ?]. Paris
to Benjamin Franklin

Will do themselves the honor of dining with Dr. Franklin on the following Sunday.

Hartwig, Sebastian. Gotha 1783 May 9 A.L.S. 2p. LIX, 68.
to Benjamin Franklin

Wants a loan, which his brother in America will refund. Encloses letter for his brother.

Wilkinson, William. Paris 1783 May 9 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 85.
to Benjamin Franklin

Asking for letters of introduction for Mr. Philip Nicklin, an English gentleman, who intends establishing, in Philadelphia, a house in the linen trade in connection with that of Dickinson, Lloyd and Nicklin in London.

Artaud, Jean-Baptiste. Avignon 1783 May 10 L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 86.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thinks Franklin will find in his writings an excuse for the request he now makes for a medal celebrating the independence of America; it will be cherished in his family as an heirloom.

(In French.)

Pavola, Joachim-Marie de. Marseilles 1783 May 10 L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 87.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning the desire expressed by M. Jerome Manfrin, a rich merchant of Venice, to entertain Franklin during his rumored visit to that city; charged with conveying this invitation.

(In French.)

Cologan, Mme de 1783 May 11 A.L. in 3d P. XLIV, 247.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Regrets to be unable to dine with Franklin to-day. Sends him some bottles of wine from the Canary Islands produced on the estate of M. de Cologan.

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(In French.)

Ahax, -----, baronne d'. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 12	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 88.
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Desiring a private interview with Franklin as she is in need of his advice.

(In French.)

A.E. by Dr. Franklin. His time so limited that appointments to see persons on their private affairs often prove inconvenient; begs la Baronne to state her affair in writing.

Boers, [Frederik Willem?]. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 12	L. in 3d. P. 1p.	XXVIII, 89.
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Always honored by Franklin's commands and ready to carry them out to the best of his abilities.

(In French.)

Schmidt, C.F. Friderichsberg near Copenhagen to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 13	A.L.S. 3p.	LIX, 67.
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Asks questions relating to emigration.

Proli, Pierre-Jean-Berchtold, comte de. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 14	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 90.
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Reminding Franklin of his promise to give him a passport for his ship "La Capricieuse," and a letter of recommendation for her Captain.

(In French.)

Williams, Jonathan Sr to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 14	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 90 1/2.
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Sails for Boston by the first ship; business connected with Mrs. Mecom. Disappointment of Franklin's friends should he fail to visit England. If Franklin takes passage to Boston, begs that he will stay at his house.

Lanoue, -----. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	[1783.]? May 14	A.L.S. 1p.	XL, 174.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Is the inventor of a flying machine, which does not at all resemble Mr. Blanchard's; its construction will cost but ten louis; begs Franklin to defray this expense and enjoy with him the subsequent success.

(In French.)

Walterstorff, M de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 14	L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 91.
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Returning the Constitutions of the United States; these laws, if executed with the same spirit of philosophy and sound policy which framed them, will insure constant happiness to the country.

Falconer, Nathaniel. London to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 15	A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 92.
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Has just arrived from Philadelphia; if Franklin has any commands will be glad to execute them. Left Mr. and Mrs. [Richard] B(e)ach[e] well. Delighted at the report of Franklin's intended return to America.

Gelatte, -----. Bouguenais to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 15	A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 93.
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Offers his services to America in his capacity of surgeon; would like a position in some hospital or town.

(In French.)

Ginette frères and Luc Laugier. Marseilles to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 15	A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 93 1/2.
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Hoping that Franklin will forward their interests in a certain affair.

(In French.)

The "Intendant of Lyons." Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 15	L.S. 2p. XLIV, 59.
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Recommending M. Dainval, a merchant of Lyons, as Agent for the United States in the latter city. Is recommended also by the Marquis de Vergennes.

(In French.)

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Maillebois, comte de 1783 May 15 A.L.S. 2p. XLI, 67.
to Benjamin Franklin

Reproaches himself for not personally acknowledging the medal sent him by Franklin. Asks for letters for recommendation for the bearer, M. de Banne, who is about to sail for America.

(In French.)

A. E. by Dr. Franklin. Directing that he be given letters to Dr. [Samuel] Cooper, Gen. [Nathanael] Greene and Mr. [Robert R.] Livingston.

Sieck, J.A.C. Berlin 1783 May 15 A.L.S. 2p. LIX, 63.
to Benjamin Franklin

Wishes employment as Postmaster in the United States. Refers to secret information, in his possession, concerning the United States.

(In German.)

Other Descriptive Information

(See LIX, 22 and 24, pp. 97 and 99.)

Illens, ----- de. Marseilles 1783 May 16 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 94.
to Benjamin Franklin

Transcribes a copy of his letter of January 31st, 1783; begs Franklin to answer it.

(In French.)

Ourry, Ann. Kinsale 1783 May 16 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 95.
to Benjamin Franklin

Feels sure that Franklin will serve her father's unfortunate family; encloses a line from Mr. Fagan, certifying to her distress.

Denans, ----- La Seyne 1783 May 16 A.L.S. 8p. XXVIII, 96.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning the two free ports in Europe to be accorded to the United States; one must be on the ocean and the other on the Mediterranean; difficulty of making a wise choice among so many applicants; strongly in favor of La Seyne in the Bay of Toulon for the Mediteranean sea-port; tremendous advantage of its situation.

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(In French.)

Sieck, J.A.C. Berlin 1783 May 17 A.L.S. 3p. LIX, 65.
to Benjamin Franklin

Refers to letter of May 15. Asks for £12 travelling expenses.

Arle, P. Port-la-Vigne 1783 May 17 A.L.S. 2 p. XXVIII, 97.
to Benjamin Franklin

Writes on behalf of a friend, a surgeon who desires to pursue his calling in America in some assured position.

(In French.)

Paillet, ----- Versailles 1783 May 17 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 98.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs Franklin to help him to an occupation; his love of voyaging; difficulty of obtaining a place in France.

(In French.)

Francke, ----- de. Strasbourg 1783 May 18 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 100.
to Benjamin Franklin

Report that the United States intends having a quantity of cannon made France; offers to arrange the whole business.

(In French.)

Berruyer, -----, chevalier de. Chateau de St. Fromond 1783 May 18 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 101.
to Benjamin Franklin

Account of his services in America; money he lost in these praiseworthy efforts; account of the whole affair, and the justice of his claims; begs Franklin to write to the French Ministers in his favor.

(In French.)

Adams, John. Paris 1783 May 19 L in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 102.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Several things requiring the deliberation of the American Ministers; proposes a meeting at the Hotel du Roi the next day at eleven.

Clairval, Duchesac and Fauché de. Paris 1783 May 19 L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 103.
to Benjamin Franklin

Franklin's kindness in promising his protection for the establishment of a play-house in Philadelphia; report that many deputies from the United States are at present with Franklin; desires that his project may be placed before them.

(In French.)

Walsh, James. Dunkirk 1783 May 20 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 104.
to Benjamin Franklin

His services in American navy; imprisoned in England and escaped; married in Bedford Country; his destitute condition; begs assistance.

Herbigny, ----- Rutledge d'. Rheims 1783 May 20 A.L.S. 3P. XXVIII, 105.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking him for his assistance in procuring her pension; the smallness of the sum does not impair her gratitude.

Walterstorff, ----- de [1783?] May 20 N. in 3d P. XLIII, 243
to Benjamin Franklin 1p. and 244.

Inviting him to dinner.

Chabrit, Pierre. Paris 1783 May 20 A.L.S. 2P. XXVIII, 106.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending to the law giver of the New World the first volume concerning the laws of the great people of the Old World. 1

(In French.)

Other Descriptive Information

1 [De la Monarchie Française et de ses Lois.]

Viny, John et al. London 1783 May 21 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 107.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Takes this opportunity, by M. Du Chateau, to recall himself to Franklin's memory; begs for a few lines; has furnished M. Du Chateau with a set of wheels which will show his skill to be undiminished; encloses a list of his subscribers [1 p.].

Terrier, L. Marseilles	1783 May 21	A.L.S. 4p.	XXVIII, 108.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Offering his services to America as a surgeon.

Monteil, -----, chevalier de. Paris	1783 May 23	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 109.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Acknowledging his civility; expects to bear witness to his many virtues in the places where he is going.
(In French.)

Mosley, ----- and ----- Lui, Jr.[?]. Paris	1783 May 23	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXVIII, 110.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Will dine with Dr. Franklin on the 25th.

Allen, John. Bordeaux	1783 May 24	L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 111.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Wrote on the 29th ult., requesting register for his brigantine; begs for a favorable answer.

Johonnot, Gabriel. Baltimore	1783 May 25	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 112.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Begs Franklin to procure a passage for his son, recall him from Geneva, and direct his embarkation to Boston; the boy's grandfather looks for him with no small anxiety; gratitude for the kindness shown his son by Franklin.

Kéralio, Agathon Guynement, chevalier de	1783 May 25	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 113.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Acceptance of Franklin's invitation by the Comtesse de Forbach; will bring her children if possible; if not, their place will be filled by M. le Baron de Wish.

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(In French.)

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Livingston, Robert R. Philadelphia	1783 May 25	A.L.S. 1p.	XXVIII, 114.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing [William] Bingham; if Mrs. Bingham accompanies him, warns Franklin against showing her such attentions as may deprive them too long of her society.

Guist, -----, baron de. Milan	1783 May 25	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 115.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating Franklin on the independence of America.
(In French.)

Holland, Elizabeth, London	1783 May 25	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVIII, 116.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Her husband, Thomas Holland, gave up his rank in the British army to fight for the Americans, and was killed during the war; left in a destitute condition with three children; begs Franklin to bring her case before Congress.

Spener, Charles. Berlin	1783 May 26	A.L.S. 4p.	XXVIII, 117.
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to Benjamin Franklin

His plan of publishing an American almanac in German, for the following year; among other things, it will contain a history of the Revolution and pictures of famous Americans; applies to Franklin for engravings of portraits, medals, uniforms, flags, etc; the historical part of the almanac will be entrusted to Mr. Sprenkel, Professor of history at the University of Halle.
(In French.)

Bandeira, ----- de Monteiro. Paris	1783 May 26	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXVIII, 118.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Reminding Franklin of the letters promised him as he leaves the next day for Lisbon.
(In French.)

Morris, Robert. Office of Finance	1783 May 26	L.S. 2p.	LV, 41 and 43.
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to Benjamin Franklin

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Is to continue somewhat longer in his Office of Finance. Desires he would repeat his application for a loan in France, and hopes that, as the King's expenses are lessened, he may be able to comply with his gracious intention towards America; account of the distressed situation of America.

(Copy. In duplicate.)

Maggi, Pietro. Milan 1783 May 26 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 119.
to Benjamin Franklin

Has distinguished himself at the University of Pavia; obliged through some family disgrace to leave Italy; begs Franklin's help in procuring him occupation in America.

(In Itlaian.)

Paleske, Charles. Humburg 1783 May 27 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 120.
to Benjamin Franklin

His intention to embark for America in August, accompanied by a clerk, and to estalish a mercantile house in Philadelphia; in spite of a good fortune and good connections in Europe, would greatly prize some letters of recommendation to America.

Ponceau, Louise Geneviève du. Saint-Martin 1783 May 27 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 121.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs for any news Franklin may have received of her brother; asks that her letters may be forwarded to him.

(In French.)

Gahan, John. Castle Townsend 1783 May 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 122.
to Benjamin Franklin

A minute account of the arrival in their harbor of the American schooner, "Nancy," John Gladin, Master, laden with tobacco from North Carolina; his reasons for believing that she intended smuggling every ounce of it upon some part of the Irish coast; steps he has taken to detain this vessel until further instructions.

Kempelen, Wolfgang von. Paris 1783 May 28 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 123.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Desires Franklin to appoint a time when he may show him his automatic chess-player, as well as another machine on which he has been working.

(In French.)

Richard, _____ . Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 28	A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 124.
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Sends him a letter for [William] Bingham; report that that gentleman has accepted a mission to one of the Courts of Europe; especially anxious to terminate the business before his departure.

(In French.)

Greyer, Herr. Minden on the Weeser to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 28	A.L.S. 2p. LIX, 66.
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Was discharged from the postal service. Fears that he may not be reinstated. Wishes position in America.

Feriet, -----, baron de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 29	A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 125.
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Asking for a letter of recommendation for M. Berthier fils, who proposes to establish a commercial house in Philadelphia; his parents anxious that the young man should have one person in Philadelphia to whom he may apply for advice and assistance.

(In French.)

Vaughan, Samuel. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 30	A.L. in 3d P. XXVIII, 126. 1p.
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Desiring a passport for Germany via Strasbourg; would apply to the English Ambassador, but has omitted so far to pay his respects to him.

Chastellux, François Jean, marquis de. Marly-le-Roi to Benjamin Franklin	1783 May 30	A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 127.
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Sends the note of which he spoke; hopes Franklin will obtain for his friends distinction which he so justly merits; his services in the American hospitals; owes his own life to him; his present close attendance at the sick-bed of one of his dearest friends. His high opinion of Franklin.

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(In French.)

Barton, William. Philadelphia 1783 May 31 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 128.
to Benjamin Franklin

Is the son of the late Reverend Mr. [Thomas] Barton a clergyman of Lancaster; introduces his brother, Matthias Barton, who has been in business at l'Orient.

Brutière, G. Anquetil. St. Malo 1783 May 31 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 129.
to Benjamin Franklin

In daily expectation of the arrival of two vessels from La Rochelle laden with salt, wine and brandy; their ultimate destination not yet decided; begs Franklin's advice as to where the best disposition of the cargo could be made.

(In French.)

Macomble, -----, cavalier de. Rouen 1783 May 31 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 130.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a discovery of his; losing the honor and sacrificing the rewards; will confide the secret to Franklin and the methods by which he intends to use it.

(In French.)

Lahaye, L.J. Nessouvaux 1783 May 31 A.L.S. 4p. XXVIII, 131.
to Benjamin Franklin

His plan to establish in America a manufactory of arms; his chances of success in Europe are mediocre; his desire to make terms with Congress which will be advantageous to both sides.

(In French.)

Patriotisme, Masonic Loge of. Paris 1783 May A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 132.
to Benjamin Franklin

Recommending M. Gautier, a brother Mason, who desires the position of American Consul at Barcelona; politics does not enter into this request; their wish to oblige is their sole motive.

(In French.)

Thorogood, Stephen. Venice 1783 May A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 133.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Anxious to know if the report of Franklin's visiting Venice has any foundation; his favorite study has been Natural Philosophy; the value which Franklin's conversation would be to him; if the report is false, will write down some of his ideas about the electric fluid and send them to him.

Séгур, Louis Philippe de to Benjamin Franklin	[1783 May?]	A.L. in 3d P. XLI, 184. 1p.
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Called on him with letters of M[rs. Caty] Greene and Dr. [Samuel] Cooper, in reply to Franklin's letters of recommendation; desires greatly to talk with him about America.
(In French.)

Treuttel, -----. Strasbourg to Benjamin Franklin	1783 June 1	A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 134.
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Begs to add to his friend [Charles] Spener's request, that any expense which Franklin may incur in sending the desired engravings, etc., will be met by M. Durand in Paris.
(In French.)

Chastellux, François Jean, marquis de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 June 1	A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 135.
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Introducing M. [Jean Francois] Coste, a very clever physician; his services on behalf of the American soldiers and their love for him; the work he will show Franklin proves the esteem in which he was held.
(In French.)

Boudinot, Elias. Philadelphia to Benjamin Franklin	1783 June 2	A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 137.
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Introducing Dr. Waring of South Carolina, who served his country faithfully and honorably during the war, and goes to Europe for his advancement in medical science.

Darcel, Nicolas. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 June 2	A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 138.
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Enclosing three bills for Franklin's acceptance.
(In French.)

Bouillot, Joseph. Passy	1783 June 3	A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 139.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Hoped to find a position as messenger or mail-carrier; no vacancy left; begs Franklin's assistance to enable him to return to Morlaix.

(In French.)

The "Intendant of Lyons." Paris 1783 June 3 L.S. 1p. XLIV, 60.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanks him for taking into consideration his request in favor of M. Dainval. Sends Franklin a draft of a commission such as could be given by Congress to M. Dainval, as Agent for the United States at Lyons.

Fournier, Simon-Pierre, la jeune 1783 June 4 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 140.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin's protection for one of his relatives, who desires to go to Boston and take up any work of which Franklin deems him capable.

(In French.)

Walsh, James. Dunkirk 1783 June 4 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 141.
to Benjamin Franklin

A second petition craving Franklin's assistance to enable him to return to America; treatment accorded him by Mr. Coffyn; believes he helps runaway English sailors in preference to Americans.

Meuricoffre, Frederick Robert. Paris 1783 June 5 L.S. 5p. XXVIII, 142.
to Benjamin Franklin

Advantages of promoting trade between America and Naples; places himself and his business house at Franklin's service; encloses a list of exports from Naples and Sicily, as well as the articles which Naples could import from America.

(In French.)

Lafayette, Marie Joseph Paul Yves, marquis de, 1757-1834 1783 June 6 1p. XXVIII, 143.
to Benjamin Franklin

Invitation to dinner.

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(Engraved.)

Adams, John. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 June 6	L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 144.
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Accepting invitation for Sunday the 8th.

Antonio Francesco Salucci et fils . Livourne to Benjamin Franklin	1783 June 6	A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 145.
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Their vessel under the Tuscan flag, laden with oil, wine, silks, etc., has sailed for Philadelphia; prospect of advantageous commercial relations; the pirates of Barbary are the only draw-back; hopes the United States will soon make some arrangement with them which will remove this obstacle.

(In French.)

Bernier, F. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 June 6	A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 146.
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Appointing an hour for Franklin to come and see their work.

(In French.)

Dacier, Joseph Bon, baron de et al. to Benjamin Franklin	1783 June 6	L. in 3d. 1p. XXVIII, 147.
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Deputed by the Académie des Inscriptions et Belles-Lettres to acknowledge Franklin's gift of the medal; regretting that it does not bear the name of the first and genuine author of the finest Revolution of modern times.

(In French.)

Urvoy, -----. Saint Brieuc to Benjamin Franklin	1783 June 6	A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 148.
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Concerning a plan conceived by himself and a friend to go to America and engage in commerce and agriculture; his intention to stay in France as their correspondent, and commercial agent, while his friend goes to America; begging for letters of recommendation.

(In French.)

Thaxter, ----- and Charles Storer. Paris	1783 June 6	L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 149.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Accepting invitation for Sunday the 8th.

Gauthier, -----. Collège de Hayeux 1783 June 7 L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 150.
to Benjamin Franklin

Informing Franklin that he still lacks volumes 26 and 27 to complete his edition of the Dictionnaire des Sciences Morales, Politique, etc.
(In French.)

Pierres, Philippe Denis 1783 June 7 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 151.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending the copy of the Constitutions of the United States, and desiring to know if he has written to the Keeper of the Seals; also the number of copies wanted and the style of binding.
(In French.)

Salvador, Joseph. Nantes 1783 June 7 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 152.
to Benjamin Franklin

About to sail for Philadelphia; honored to receive Franklin's commands.

Falconer, Nathaniel. London 1783 June 7 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 153.
to Benjamin Franklin

Enclosing a book which has just come out and is likely to make some noise. His intention of sailing for Philadelphia in July. Messages from Franklin's friends. Mr. [William] Strahan's attitude still inimical to the United States and to France.

James, William. Paris 1783 June 7 A.L.S. 8p. XXVIII, 154.
to Benjamin Franklin

For years, has written in the English newspapers upon public improvements; compares Paris in these respects most unfavorably with London; his interest in the American cause; begs Franklin to establish him in some occupation in France or America.

Houdetot, Comtesse d' 1783 June 8 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 155.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Reminding Franklin of his promise to pay her a little visit; gives him the choice of several days.
(In French.)

Parraud, -----Paris 1783 June 8 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 156.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sent Franklin some time before a small manuscript work on electricity forwarded from Marseilles by a friend; begs for an answer.
(In French.)

Bridgen, Edward 1783 June 9 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 157.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging his favor of the 22d ult. with his ducs for the Society of Antiquaries; number of prints owing Franklin. Kind messages to Mr. [Henry] Laurens.

Bousquety, ----- Beaumarchais 1783 June 9 A.L.S. 4p. XXVIII, 158.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs him for a collection of his manuscripts on electricity.
(In French.)

Vaughan, John 1783 June 10 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 159.
to Benjamin Franklin

Forwarded to Paris all the letters entrusted to him for Franklin; possibility that Mr. [Robert] Morris reserved his letters for some quicker conveyance; left Philadelphia the morning after the declaration of peace, so that nothing material could have been done by Congress; has just been told that on April 24th Congress Resolved that British vessels should be given an entry. Death of Mr. Spalding and his attendant in a diving-bell off Dublin.

-----, ----- 1783 June 10 Mem. 2p. L(i), 43.
to Benjamin Franklin

Note on the report on Oléron of which it was proposed to make a free port of trade for American shipping. Advantages of the port and neighboring town of Marennes, being the centre of a considerable export trade.
(In French.)

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Astruc, Daniel. Bordeaux 1783 June 10 L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 160.
to Benjamin Franklin

Repeating his request for payment of the sum due him by M. Grive.
(In French.)

Wheelock, John. The Hague 1783 June 12 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 161.
to Benjamin Franklin

Approbation of the design of soliciting benefactions for Dartmouth College, manifested by the Prince and Princess of Orange; nothing obtained from Amsterdam, but it succeeded well at Haarlem; desires a letter to Dr. [Richard] Price on behalf of the affair; expects to go to England in a fortnight; wishes to know if Dr. Franklin has heard anything favorable to the plan.

Green, Peter and Timothy Parmele. 1783 June 12 L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 162.
to Benjamin Franklin

Were prisoners to the English; have tried in vain to see [Jonathan] Williams, [Jr.], the American Agent, or to get work; no money with which to pay their board; expect to starve in the streets; the other prisoners are on board Capt. Conyngham's ship, but he refuses to take any more.

Saint Martin, -----. **Verteuil par Tonnenis** 1783 June 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 163.
to Benjamin Franklin

Repeats his question concerning the treatment which will be accorded French officers who have been employed in the service of the United States; came to France for his health on a year's furlough; does not wish to return without knowing what he may expect.
(In French.)

Rousseau, Jean. London 1783 June 13 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 164.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sent Franklin a manuscript on the independence of North America; motive of this pamphlet. Obligated to leave Geneva; returned to London where he has lived for years; if Congress desires to do anything for him will be exceedingly grateful.
(In duplicate. In French.)

Hagendorp, Charles de. Lattaie 1783 June 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 165.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking him warmly for the letters to Messrs. Washington, Livingston and Morris, which will assure him the reception he so ardently desired.

(In French.)

Hülßen, -----, comte de. Passy 1783 June 13 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 166.
to Benjamin Franklin

His efforts to procure the information be desired; promise made by a certain person to cure him in some weeks; unpleasant effect of his first remedy; begs to know if he must abandon himself entirely to this person's advice; his eagerness to consult Franklin in person.

(In French.)

Vaughan, Samuel. London 1783 June 14 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 167.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging Franklin's kindness to himself and his sons; expects to embark shortly for Philadelphia with his family. Expresses thanks for his repeated friendly and affectionate attention to each of his sons when on the Continent, which, if possible, he added to that respect, affection and reverence he has retained for him. The perpetuation of intercourse with him in America is one of the most valuable of the many advantages he expects to derive in that New World.

Deux-Ponts, Christian, comte de. Paris 1783 June 14 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 168b
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning possible commercial relations of the Palatine Electorate and the Duchy of Bavaria with America.

(In French.)

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Girardot, Haller and Co. Paris 1783 June 14 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 169.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing M. Volmers, a member of one of the richest and most reliable houses in Bremen.

(In French.)

Dessin, Pierre. Calais 1783 June 15 L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 170.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning several boxes addressed to Franklin and at present in Calais; begs for further instruction.
(In French.)

Faujas de Saint-Fond, Barthélemy. Paris 1783 June 16 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 171.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning L'Abbé Mical, who has just finished a remarkable piece of mechanism consisting of two heads which pronounce certain phrases; begs Franklin's and his grandson's presence at M. Mical's to dinner, where he will meet various Academicians, and may see the amazing invention.
(In French.)

Ahax, -----, baronne d'. Paris 1783 June 17 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 173.
to Benjamin Franklin

Not possible to confide to a letter that which she wishes to say to Franklin; begs therefore for an interview; desires him to enclose her letter to Mr. Martin in an envelope and forward it to the address given.
(In French.)

Gaupin, J. Brussels 1783 June 17 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 174.
to Benjamin Franklin

Three inhabitants of Brussels desire to go to America; two to establish a manufactory of playing-cards, calico, etc.; the third is an able surveyor, linguist and soldier; each desires an advance of 100 louis with the promise of the patronage of Congress.
(In French.)

The Ambassador of Venice 1783 June 18 L in 3d P. 1p. XLIV, 61.
to Benjamin Franklin

Invitation of dinner.
(In French.)

Faujas de Saint-Fond, Barthélemy. Paris 1783 June 18 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 175.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Fears that his former letter miscarried and that Franklin does not yet know of the "talking head" and his invitation to dine with the inventor.

(In French.)

Wright, Patience. London 1783 June 19 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 176.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing Mr. Mascal, who is on his way to settle in Philadelphia; his steady upholding of the rights of the people, and his opposition to the measures of the Ministry, brought on him persecution and suffering from Lord Mansfield and other men in power; his knowledge of physics and chemistry, as well as of men and books.

Bancroft, Edward. Dunkirk 1783 June 20 A.L.S. 5p. XXVIII, 178.
to Benjamin Franklin

His journey and his arrival at dunkirk with his family and Mr. [Francis] Coffyn; expects to sail that afternoon; daily importunities which Mr. Coffyn experience from American seamen discharged from prison in England; strongly recommends him for the position of American Consul or Agent at Dunkirk. Enclosing an extract of letter from Commodore Jones, written on board the "Triumphant," mentioning the presentation of the "America" to the King of France: his own attitude, his disappointments, his sailing as a volunteer on board the French fleet, and the handsome treatment he has received; messages to Franklin and to his Lodge.

Etioles, Lenormant d'. Neuilly 1783 June 20 A.L.S. 4p. XXVIII, 179.
to Benjamin Franklin

Favorable attitude of the Comte de Vergennes towards the Messrs. d' Eberstein; urges Franklin to demand certain concessions from Congress in their behalf, which the Comte de Vergennes will regard as an acknowledgment of the essential services which he rendered America; refers Franklin to Messrs. [Joseph Matthias Gérard] de Rayneval and Hénin in this affair.

(In French.)

Lafayette, Marie Joseph Paul Yves, marquis de, 1757-1834 [1783?] June 21 L. in 3d P. 1p. XLIII, 168.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending American gazettes to Messrs. Franklin and Jay.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

(In French.)

Rohan-Polduc, Emmanuel Marie de 1783 June 21 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 180.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking Franklin for the medal commemorative of the War of Independence. Promises a cordial welcome to any American citizens and their vessels who may visit the ports of his Island.

(In French.)

to Benjamin Franklin, 1783 June 21

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Rohan-Polduc, Emmanuel Marie de 1783 June 21 L.S. 1p. LV, 45.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking Franklin for the medal commemorative of the War of Independence. Promises a cordial welcome to any American citizens and their vessels who may visit the ports of his Island.

(In French. Press copy.)

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Blagden, Dr. Charles. Paris 1783 June 22 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 181.
to Benjamin Franklin

Promising to dine with Dr. Franklin on Thursday.

Ingenhousz, Jan 1783 June 23 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 182.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to grant Mr. Weinbrenner's request for letters of introduction for his Agent Mr. Donath. The cast of his profile which he sends, is made of plaster of Paris. Has at last received the first sheets of his book from M. Leègue. Hopes to see Franklin in Vienna before he sets out for America.

Falconer, Nathaniel. London 1783 June 23 A.L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 183.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thinks he should have been entrusted with the despatches instead of Mr. [Samuel] Vaughan. Preliminary articles of peace received with joy. Attitude of Congress towards Franklin's request to come home; A[rthur] Lee's unsuccessful attempts to make up a party against [Robert] Morris

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

and [Dr.] Franklin. Arrival of Capt. [Joshua] Barney and the "Washington" and the money safely deposited; credit of the bank at Philadelphia very good. The Constitution of Pennsylvania cannot be altered for two years. Heard that a salary was arranged for Franklin's grandson, but has forgotten the amount. Question of [Robert] Morris resigning his office. Sends a copy of the duties to be imposed by Congress. Desires Franklin to send him a "mittretain" for his ship "Olive Branch," otherwise he will be under the unhappy necessity of sailing under British colors.

Barclay, Thomas Mr. and Mrs. Auteuil 1783 June 23 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 184.
to Benjamin Franklin

Will dine with Franklin on Thursday.

Walton, ----- and ----- Stott 1783 June 23 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 185.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desire a conference respecting the importation of goods into America.

Falconer, Nathaniel. London 1783 June 24 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 186.
to Benjamin Franklin

Promising to send some pamphlets and newspapers. Begg Franklin to find out from [Robert] Morris what letters he sent over; suspects foul play.

Vidal de Saint-Martial, ----- et al. 1783 June 24 L.S. 3p. XXVIII, 187.
to Benjamin Franklin

On reading Franklin's letter, his admittance was celebrated with transports of joy; it was decreed that his picture, copied in miniature, was always to remain in their temple.
(In French.)

Girault de Keroudou, -----, abbé. Paris 1783 June 25 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 188.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sends a work printed by order of the Trustees of the *Collège de Louis le Grand*; the author, M. le President Rolland has worked indefatigably for the education of the public; begs that the fruit of his labors may be sent to the [American Philosophical] Society at Philadelphia.
(In French.)

Lermonth, Alexander. Paris 1783 June 25 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 189.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Traded from Edenton, North Carolina, to the Island of Saint Eustatius for sixteen years; the fortune he made there was taken from him by Admiral Rodney when he took that Island; his present destitute condition; applies to Franklin for a little money; to ask such a favor is like death to him, but necessity knows no law.

A.E. by Dr. Franklin. "Cost a guinea."

Lafayette, Marie Joseph Paul Yves, marquis de, 1757-1834	1783 June 26	1p.	XXVIII, 190.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Invitation to dinner.
(Engraved.)

Walhm, Count von Grävenitz. Vienna	1783 June 26	A.L.S. 2p.	LIX, 50.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Has a collection of choice paintings of old and eminent masters. Wishes to exchange them for a country-seat in Georgia, Carolina or Virginia.

Bunker, Job. St. Malo	1783 June 26	A.L.S. 2p.	XXVIII, 191.
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to Benjamin Franklin

His services in the war, his imprisonment in England, his escape and enlistment in the French navy; his present destitute condition; begs Franklin to assist him.

Pierres, Philippe Denis	1783 June 27	A.L.S. 3p.	XXVIII, 192.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Delay in sending the copies of the Constitutions of America, due to their having first been overlooked by the Comte de Vergennes; a second Franklin needed in Paris to do away with such shackles.
(In French.)

Pigott, Robert. Pent near Geneva	1783 June 27	A.L.S. 4p.	XXVIII, 193.
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to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Situation of Franklin's grandson in Geneva; fever from which he has suffered, caused by his close room and improper diet; strongly urges his removal; since writing the above, has brought the lad to Pent for the change of air.

Hunt, I. Paris 1783 June 27 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXVIII, 194.
to Benjamin Franklin

Accepting his invitation for dinner.

Delisle-Pierrogues, -----, Draguignan 1783 July 28 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 195.
to Benjamin Franklin

Has lost his fortune; begs Franklin to procure him some employment.
(In French.)

Stromeyer, F. and B. Straub. Strasbourg 1783 June 28 L.S. 2p. LV, 47.
to Benjamin Franklin

Request Franklin's intervention to secure payment of an account due them for a long time by Baron von Steuben for clothing furnished to the latter. Encloses promissory note for over £421 sterling signed by von Steuben.
(In French.)

Beaufort, -----, butler de 1783 June 30 A.L.S. 1p. XXVIII, 196.
to Benjamin Franklin

On the 20th of May, presented to Franklin a memoir, whose contents she hoped, would rouse his pity and gain his support; fears she was mistaken; begs for its return.
(In French.)

Laignier, A. Paris 1783 June 30 A.L.S. 2p. XXVIII, 197.
to Benjamin Franklin

Can furnish explanations of different natural phenomena, which his discovery has enabled him to penetrate.
(In French.)

Bancroft, Edward. Paris [A.L.S. 1p. XLI, 92.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Announcing his immediate departure from Paris; offers his services.

Schuyler, Philip. Albany 1783 July 1 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 1.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing his son-in-law, John Carter, and Col. [Jeremiah] Wadsworth, of Hartford, who were joint agents in supplying the French troops; they go to France to solicit payment of the bills which have been drawn in their favor; begs Franklin's influence on their behalf. Congratulating him on the approaching peace and on his exertions to that end.

Deux-Ponts, Marianne Camasse, duchesse 1783 July 1 A.L. 2p. XXIX, 2.
La douairière de
to Benjamin Franklin

Writes on behalf of two French Americans who desire to pay their respects to Franklin and dine with him on Friday or Saturday; one is her "grand garçon" and the other is the Comte de Feoren; if Franklin consents, she wishes to accompany them.

Barclay, Thomas Mr. and Mrs. Auteuil 1783 July 1 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXIX, 3.
to Benjamin Franklin

Accepting invitation for dinner.

Delongueville, -----. Nancy 1783 July 1 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 4.
to Benjamin Franklin

His intention to go to America and raise potatoes; uses of this vegetable in feeding cattle; begs for information respecting its cultivation in America.
(In French.)

Limozin, Andrew. Havre-de-Grace 1783 July 1 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 5.
to Benjamin Franklin

Arrival of the "General Washington," Capt. [Joshua] Barney, from Philadelphia; consigned to his care as Agent for the United States at Havre; sends several letters to Franklin.

Dubosque, Fabre. Paris 1783 July 2 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 6.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Was presented to him three years before by Commodore Paul Jones; their discussion concerning the qualities of a metal for sheathing ships; this new sheathing now carried to perfection; begs Franklin, when next he comes to Paris, to examine it at the house and talk the matter over.

(In French.)

Titius, Charles-Henri. Dresden to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 2	L.S. 3p.	XXIX, 7.
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Desiring Franklin to procure employment in America for one of his friends.

(In French.)

Stockar zur Sonnenbourg, -----. Schaffhausen to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 3	A.L.S. 2p.	XXIX, 8.
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Recommending a young relative who desires to enter the army.

(In French.)

Titius, Charles-Henri. Dresden to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 3	A.L.S. 2p.	XXIX, 9.
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Introducing M. [Ph.] Thieriot who desires some letters of recommendation for America. Wishes to know if the sale of medicines of unknown composition will be allowed in America.

(In French.)

-----, ----- to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 4	Verse. 8p.	LI, 78.
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Song composed for the anniversary celebration of American Independence and Peace held at Benjamin Franklin's house at Passy [with corrections and additions by Abbé Morellet].

(In French.)

Vergennes, Charles Gravier, comte de. Versailles to Benjamin Franklin and John Jay.	1783 July 5	L.S. 2p.	LV, 50.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

The King is unable to grant their request for a sum of 1,900,000 livres as extraordinary relief, as he has not enough funds to pay the enormous expenses of the last war and is obliged to have recourse to loans.

(In French. Press copy.)

Chalut and Arnous, Abbés to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 5	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 10.
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Franklin made an associate of the Académic [des Sciences, Belle-Lettres et des Arts] of Lyons. Their intention of calling on him very soon.

(In French.)

Macklot, Michel. Carlsruhe to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 6	A.L.S. 2p.	XXIX, 11.
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Wishes to establish a library and printing-house at Philadelphia for one of his sons. Gives a list of German books which he wishes to send to Philadelphia. Asking permission to send him a copy of a military work by Baron O'Cahill which he thinks will be useful to America.

(In French.)

Guillaume, Veuve. Fay-les-Veneurs to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 7	A.L.S. 3p.	XXIX, 13.
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Her frequent letters have never reached her son; begs Franklin, when he arrives in New York, to send the enclosed letter to her son, Paul Guillaume, and recommend him to the French Consul there in order that he may obtain a passage home; account of her son's services as a soldier.

(In French.)

Tourton, ----. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 7	A.L.S. 2p.	XXIX, 14.
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Borges a merchant of Hamburg, freighted a vessel bound for Philadelphia with all his possessions, leaving nothing for his creditors; sends two letters from the Magistrates at Hamburg which he begs Franklin to forward; hopes by their means to recover what the thief carried off.

(In French.)

Bost Horion and Co. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 7	L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 15.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Enclosing a letter of exchange drawn on Franklin which they desire him to accept and return.
(In French.)

Webb, Benjamin. Geneva 1783 July 7 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 12.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating him on the great events which have taken place; hopes his native country will learn the wisdom to be good. Compliments Franklin on his grandson [Benjamin Franklin Bache]; hopes his health will improve.

Ransier, Jacques Lambert. Augsburg 1783 July 7 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 16.
to Benjamin Franklin

Plans to go to the United States and establish a manufactory of arms; other associates who desire to go with him and establish different manufactories; begs for advice.
(In French.)

Falconer, Nathaniel. London 1783 July 8 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 17.
to Benjamin Franklin

Enclosing a gazette whose contents surprised him; has sent two of them to [Thomas] Mifflin in Congress; talked about it to some of the merchants; told their ships would be prevented by Congress from loading in the United States for the West Indies. Arrival of Mr. [William] Bingham and his lady.

Rosencrone, Baron -----. Copenhagen. 1783 July 8 A.L.S. 2p. LV, 51.
to Benjamin Franklin

Communicated his letter to the King and the draft of the proposed treaty of friendship and commerce. Sends a counter-draft drawn up by himself but not differing materially from Franklin's. Thinks it contains perfect reciprocity. Will do all in his power to accelerate the conclusion of the treaty.
(In French. Press copy.)

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Alexander, William. St Germain 1783 July 8 A.L.S. 1p. CV, 84.
to Benjamin Franklin

Requests a reply to the invitation to dine at Mme. [la Comtesse] de la Marcke's.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Lloyd, Thomas. Rouen 1783 July 9 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 18.
to Benjamin Franklin

Bogs that the enclosed may be forwarded. Messages from Mr. and Mrs. [Michael] Hillegas and the young ladies.

Roi, François. Paris 1783 July 9 ; 1783 July 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 19 and
to Benjamin Franklin 21.

Begs for the promised reply to his father's letter.
(In French.)

Blagden, Dr. Charles [1783.] July 10 L. in 3d P. 1p. XLI, 82.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending him two papers printed in the Philosophical Transactions; on his return to London promises to procure all the volumes due him.

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 July 10 A.L.S. 3p. XXXVIII,
to Benjamin Franklin 136.

Account of his business difficulties; if M. [Ferdinand] Grand cannot assist him, will let all his creditors fare alike; hopes he will not suffer in Franklin's esteem.

Price, James. Paris 1783 July 11 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 20.
to Benjamin Franklin

Asks permission to sell 180 hogsheads of Jamaica prize sugars, on payment of the same duties levied on French sugars.

Crocco, Giacomo Francisco. Cadiz 1783 July 15 A.L.S. 3p. LV, 53 and
to Benjamin Franklin 54.

The Emperor of Morocco has appointed him to be the bearer of this letter to the United States, with whom he is willing to sign a treaty of peace and commerce; gave orders to the Captains of the men-of-war not to molest American vessels. He is to accompany to the Court of Morocco, the Ambassador that is to be appointed to conclude peace. Asks him to send the travelling expenses to him as such charges are to be paid by the country desiring the Emperor's friendship.
(In duplicate.)

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

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Nolin, abbé -----. Paris 1783 July 15 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 22.
to Benjamin Franklin

Informed by M. [François Barbé] de Marbois, Secretary of the French Embassy in America, that Chevalier de la Luzerne desires an assortment of potherb seeds. Hears that the "Washington" is about to sail and that it is at Franklin's disposition; begs that the seeds may be forwarded by that vessel. (In French.)

Briedenstein, John Philip. "Giessac Cattorum." 1783 July 15 A.L. in 3d P. XXIX, 23.
to Benjamin Franklin 4p.

Begs to know if there is any chance of his gaining an honest livelihood in America; his position as Professor of Economics and Mathematics; his interest in theology. (In Latin.)

Butler, John. Amsterdam 1783 July 15 A.L.S. 4p. XXIX, 24.
to Benjamin Franklin

He and two other American sailors have been prisoners in England and received their discharge some time ago; their fruitless efforts to procure a passage home at London, Dunkirk, and finally at Amsterdam; considers this hard treatment for men who risked their lives in defence of their country; depend on Franklin to extricate them from their forlorn position.

Darcel, Nicolas. Paris 1783 July 15 L.S. 1p. XXIX, 25.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs him to accept and return the four enclosed bills as soon as possible. (In French.)

Alexander, William. Paris 1783 July 17 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 26.
to Benjamin Franklin

In case [Jonathan] Williams [Jr.] should not provide for bills drawn by Mr. [Richard] Bache, thinks Dr. Franklin would desire to do it himself, in order to save Mr. Bache the dishonor and loss of their return.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Breuze, ----- de. Villentrode in 1783 July 17 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 27.
Champagne
to Benjamin Franklin

Report that Franklin desires to establish glass-works in America; offers to furnish the kind of clay needed.
(In French.)

Wheelock, John. London 1783 July 17 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 28.
to Benjamin Franklin

Wrote to him from The Hague concerning the furtherance of his plans; again begs to know whether anything can be done in France towards the accomplishment of his object.

The Farmers-General. Paris 1783 July 17 L.S. 3p. LV, 55.
to Benjamin Franklin

Remind Franklin that there is still due to them by the United States, a balance of over 846,000 livres on the advance of 1,000,000 made by them for shipments of tobacco not completed. Refrained from pressing their claim during the war and do not ask any interest on the money, but request a prompt settlement either in cash or in tobacco.
(In French. Press copy.)

Falconer, Nathaniel. London 1783 July 18 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 29.
to Benjamin Franklin

Visit paid him by Mr. Silas Deane; understands he wrote part of the pamphlet sent to Franklin; cannot esteem him as before, now that he goes with [Benedict] Arnold and Lord Sheffield. Dr. [Edward] Bancroft is applying to go to Philadelphia; distrusts his motives. Messages from Mr. [John] Sargent. Begs for news of public matters in France.

Diot, John. Morlaix 1783 July 18 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 30.
to Benjamin Franklin

Various ways in which he has been of use to subjects of the United States; asks for the position of Vice-Consul at Morlaix; his zeal in the service of America.
(In French.)

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Polignac, Charles, comte de. Paris 1783 July 19 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 31.
to Benjamin Franklin

Mme. de Frère, being obliged to take a short journey, desires him to return the enclosed bill.
(In French.)

Capion, -----. Lyons 1783, July 19 A.L.S. 4p. XXIX, 32.
to Benjamin Franklin

A glowing tribute to Franklin. His occupation that of a doctor as well as priest. Describes the plan of a picture which he wishes to present to Congress; this will represent the heroes of the American war, the traitor Arnold, the victim André, the brutality of the English, the mediation of France, and Heaven's approval of the struggle for liberty.
(In French.)

Austin, Jonathan Loring. Boston 1783 July 19 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 33.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing his brother, Mr. Benjamin Austin, Jr. and Mr. Oliver Brewster, two young gentlemen who are making a tour of Europe. Congratulating Franklin on the peace and on his own distinguished part in that glorious event.

Cooper, Samuel. Boston 1783 July 19 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 34.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing Mr. Benjamin Austin, Jr., a brother of Mr. [Jonathan Loring] Austin who carried the news of Burgoyne's surrender; recommends him most warmly to his notice.

Cooper, Samuel. Boston 1783 July 19 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 35.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing Mr. [Oliver] Brewster who goes to England with Mr. [Benjamin] Austin and thence to France on mercantile affairs; the particulars regard he has conceived for this young man justifies this recommendation.

Joy, Henry Jr. Belfast 1783 July 19 A.L.S. 4p. XXIX, 36.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Writes in the name of the Committee of Correspondence appointed by the delegates of forty-five Volunteer Corps; their determination to procure a more equal representation in Parliament; depraived state of their present representation; desires Franklin's opinion and advice as to the best means of counteracting the corrupt borough influence; puts the whole matter into eight queries to which they beg answers.

The Ambassador of Portugal. Paris 1783 July 19 L. in 3d P. 1p. XLIV, 62.
to Benjamin Franklin

Informing Franklin that the meeting to be held in his house will be held in the house of the Spanish Ambassador.
(In French.)

Boulainvilliers, Mme de [1779?] July 19 A.L.S. 1p. XLIII, 132.
to Benjamin Franklin

Requests an interview with Franklin about an unfortunate man in whom she is interested.
(In French.)

Hoppe, Jacob Augustus. Bochnia 1783 July 19 A.L.S. 4p. XXXIX, 37.
to Benjamin Franklin

Is one of a numerous family; would like to sail for the United States with a recommendation from Franklin and the assurance of a salaried position; is even willing to till the fields; if possible, would like to stay for a time in Paris and pursue his study of English at the Sorbonne; in that case would be glad to share the food of Franklin's servants.
(In Latin.)

Schönfeld, -----, baron de. 1783 July 20 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 38.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring to call on Franklin in company with M. [Ph.] Thieriot of Leipsic, who goes to Philadelphia as a commercial agent of Saxony.
(In French.)

Kéralio, Agathon Guynement, chevalier 1783 July 20 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 39.
de
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

The Corntesse de Deux-Ponts hopes to visit Franklin after her return from Versailles; in the meantime, she begs for a medal in place of the one she gave M. de Vauban, and also the return of Les Nouvelles Littéraires which she sent Franklin.

(In French.)

Watson, Elkanah Jr to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 21	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 40.
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Introducing Griffin Green[e], lately arrived from America, a near relative of Gen. [Nathanael] Green[e].

Small, Alexander. London to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 22	A.L.S. 2p.	XXIX, 41.
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Desires his opinion on the chief cause of the suffering experienced by the garrison of St. Philips; believes it was their omitting to preserve a free current of air through their subterranean lodgements. Introducing Partick Wikil, Esq., who goes as Consul to Alicante; hopes of seeing Franklin in London; glad that the remembrance of a most agreeable fair one is still with him.

Melville, Robert. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 22	L.in 3d P. 1p.	XXIX, 42 and 45.
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Announcing his intended departure for London early in the following week; offers to take charge of the letter to Mr. [John] Calder, as well as any Mr. [John] Adams or Mr. and Mrs. [John] Jay care to send.

(In duplicate.)

Montcarel, Jean-Jacques Le Goüeslier de. Versailles to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 23	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 43.
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Concerning a packet which was forgotten when the despatches were sent to be forwarded to M. de la Luzerne; if not too late, begs it may be sent, and the oversight not mentioned to M. [Joseph Matthias Gérard de Rayneval.

(In French.)

Miromesnil, Armand-Thomas Hué de. Paris	1783 July 23	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 43 1/2.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging the receipt of the Constitutions of the United States; expressing his appreciation of such a mark of attention.

(In French.)

Pio, Luigi de

1783 July 24

L. in 3d P. 2p. XXIX, 44.

to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging the copies of the "Constitutions," one for his King, one for himself and one for M. Filangieri; Sensible of the honor Franklin has done him.

(In French.)

**Argental, Charles-Augustin Ferriol,
comte d'. Paris**

1783 July 24

A.L. in 3d P. XXIX, 44 1/2.
1p.

to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging with extreme satisfaction the copy of the Constitutions of the United States which Franklin has sent him.

(In French.)

**Boufflers-Rouvrel, Marie-Charlotte-
Hippolyte de Campet de Sanjon, comtesse
de. Auteuil**

1783 July 24

A.L. in 3d P. XXIX, 44 3/4.
2p.

to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging Franklin's precious gift, with every expression of gratitude.

(In French.)

Houdetot, Comtesse d'

1783 July 25

A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 45 1/2.

to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging his gift with the liveliest expressions of gratitude; reminding him of his promise to visit her in the autumn.

(In French.)

The Ambassador of Holland. Paris

1783 July 25

L in 3d P. 1p. XLIV, 63.

to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Thanking him for the "Constitutions of the Thirteen United States of America."

(In French.)

Vergennes, Charles Gravier, comte de. 1783 July 25 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXIX, 46.

Versailles

to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging the copy of the "Constitutions" of the United States sent him by Franklin; the copies destined for the King, Queen and Royal Family will be faithfully delivered.

(In French.)

Tonon, ----- Paris 1783 July 25 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 47.

to Benjamin Franklin

The most unfortunate of patriots is obliged to apply to the most illustrious; although in disgrace, still wishes to be useful; his principal bent is towards agriculture; has written a treatise on this science; desires to place his talents at the service of America.

(In French.)

Harvey, Reuben. Cork 1783 July 25 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 48.

to Benjamin Franklin.

Two vessels lately sailed for Philadelphia with upwards of two hundred passengers. Account of an American vessel, the "Nancy," being detained in the harbor of Castleton nearly ten weeks; wrote Mr. [Henry] Laurens of this; advises an application for redress to the British Court; other vessels had all their loose tobacco seized by Revenue Officers; necessity of America having a Consul at Cork; state of the laws in Ireland as regards the sale of tobacco.

Granier de Pollier, ----- Paris 1783 July 26 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 49.

to Benjamin Franklin.

Recommending a gentleman of quality, formerly a French officer, who desires to settle with his wife in America.

(In French.)

Ormesson, Henri-François de Paul Le 1783 July 26 L.S. 1p. XXIX, 49 1/2.

Feurè d'. Versailles

to Benjamin Franklin.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Thanking him for the copy of the Constitutions of the United States.
(In French.)

Walterstorff, M de 1783 July 26 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 50.
to Benjamin Franklin.

Sends Franklin a copy of the last ordinance concerning the trade of the Islands of St. Thomas and St. Johns [2p.], also a list of the principal merchants in the Danish West Indies (2p.). The Island of St. Croix and their trade with America.

Rochambeau, Jean-Baptiste-Donatien de 1783 July 6 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXIX, 51.
Vimeur, comte de. Paris
to Benjamin Franklin.

Begs to have the enclosed letter forwarded to the Chevalier de la Luzerne.
(In French.)

Bache, Richard. Philadelphia 1783 July 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 52.
to Benjamin Franklin.

Acknowledging a number of introductory letters which has been productive of pleasure of profit. The bearer is Mr. [John] Carter by whom he sends a bundle of newspapers; Mrs. Carter is the daughter of Gen. [Philip] Schuyler, a lady too well known to Franklin to need a recommendation. Has received the Loan Office Certificate for another year's interest on the money lent the public by Franklin. Glad to know when they may expect him home.

Lamoligniere, ----- Duboys de. Port-au-Prince 1783 July 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 53.
to Benjamin Franklin

Recounts the legend concerning the purchase of the Sibylline books; the printed discourse which he sends Franklin of far more value than vain oracles; the system of Legislations on which he has worked for seven years will put the seal on the liberties of America.
(In French. In Duplicate.)

The Apostolic Nuncio 1783 July 28 L. in 3d P. 2p. LV, 57.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

The Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith at Rome has deemed it advisable to appoint a Bishop in some city of the United States as Apostolic Vicar with spiritual jurisdiction over all the Catholics in that country and invested with power to ordain priests. requests Franklin to transmit his note on the subject to Congress.

(In French. Press copy.)

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| Strange, Isabella. London
to Benjamin Franklin | 1783 July 28 | A.L.S. 1p. | XXIX, 54. |
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- Begs him to send the enclosed letter to her friend Mr. [James] Hunter [of Richmond, Va.].
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| Lenoir, Jean-Charles-Pierre
to Benjamin Franklin | 1783 July 29 | L.S. 1p. | XXIX, 55. |
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- Sends the desired permission to enable Franklin to remove a packet of books from the custom-house.
(In French.)
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| Williams, Jonathan Jr.
to Benjamin Franklin | 1783 July 29 | A.L.S. 5p. | XXXVIII, 136
1/2. |
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- Consultation with his creditors; their desire that his letter of surséance be renewed for a year; desires Franklin to make the application for him.
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| Alexander, Williams. Paris
to Benjamin Franklin | 1783 July 30 | A.L.S 2p. | XXIX, 56. |
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- Concerning the affairs of [Jonathan] W[illiams] and the terms of payment offered, to which most of his people have agreed.
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| Cambray-Digny, Louis-Antoine-Jean-Baptiste, chevalier de. Paris
to Benjamin Franklin | 1783 July 30 | L. in 3d P. 1p. | XXIX, 57. |
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- About to leave for the country; sends some letters for America, and begs that the replies may be forwarded to the address given.
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| de Qureille, Chevalier Charles. Giessen
to Benjamin Franklin | 1783 July 30 | A.L.S. 4p.; L. LIX, 8.;
2p. | XXIX, 58. |
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Suggests the importance of establishing commercial relations between America and the principal German towns on the Rhine and Main; recommends a friend as an Agent in these towns.

Enumeration of products.

(In German.)

The same

(Translation in French)

Truton de Sibery, François. Nantes to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 31	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 59.
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Begging him to honor with his attention the enclosed memoir.

(In French.)

Churchill, C. Bennet St. West to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 31	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 60.
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Begging Franklin to honor his last with some kind of an answer; if his request is not granted, entreats some kind of assistance.

Herman Heyman's Sons. Bremen to Benjamin Franklin	1783 July 31	A.L.S. 5p.	XXIX, 61.
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Their project to establish glass-works in America; privileges which they would ask of Congress; begs Franklin's advice on this subject; enclosing a detailed plan [4p.].

Coquillot, -----, Prior of Epinay. Louviers to Benjamin Franklin	1783 August 1	A. Poem. 7p.	LI, 5.
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Ode to Liberty composed in honor of Benjamin Franklin on receiving from him the medal struck by the Congress of the United States in 1782.

(In French.)

Marat, Jean Paul. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 August 1	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXIX, 62.
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Requesting an audience with Franklin.

(In French.)

Johnson, Joshua. London	1783 August 1	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 63.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Forwards a letter from the General Post Office and has paid the deficient postage. Probable that many letters may come for him with the inland postage unpaid. Inquires if he shall take them up and forward them. Will be happy to be useful to him.

Lettsom, John Coakley. London 1783 August 2 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 64.
to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing Henry Smeathman, a protégé of Dr. Fothergill, who visited the Coast of Africa and wishes to suggest new ways of extending trade in that continent.

Braumüller, John Gottfried. Berlin 1783 August 2 A.L.S. 3p. LIX, 23.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires recommendations to American mercantile firms.

Deslande, Loyer. Versailles 1783 August 2 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 65.
to Benjamin Franklin

The business which her husband transacted in America in 1777 is the reason for her requesting an immediate audience with Franklin.

(In French.)

Sandherr, -----. Versailles 1783 August 2 A.L.S. 4p. XXIX, 66.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to establish a market in America for the sale of his wines.

(In French.)

Monet, -----, comte de 1783 August 3 L.S. 2p. XXIX, 67.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging enthusiastically the copies of the Constitutions, one for the King of Poland and one for himself.

(In French.)

The Ambassador of the States-General. 1783 August 3 L. in 3d P. 1p. XLIV, 64.
Paris

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Invitation to dinner.
(In French.)

Steinsky, François. Prague

1783 August 3

A.L.S. 4p. XXIX, 68.

to Benjamin Franklin

Account of an armonica made from Franklin's model; account of various inventions by M. Landriani of Milan. Description of a piece of Polish money of the 15th century, found shut up in a rock. Reason given for the natural formation of a hill on the banks of the Elbe. They now possess an excellent translation in German of Franklin's works. Enthusiastic praise for Franklin and for the great Nation he has helped to found.

(In French.)

**Robertson, William. College of
Edinburgh**

1783 August 4

A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 69.

to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing his son.

Pinelli, ----- de. Honskotte in Flanders

1783 August 5

A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 70.

to Benjamin Franklin

Renews his offers of service in his capacity of engineer and architect.

(In French.)

**Kéralio, Agathon Guynement, chevalier
de**

1783 August 7

A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 71.

to Benjamin Franklin

Charged with affectionate farewells by the Comtesse de Deux-Ponts, who goes to Tugny to attend the wedding of her son, and thence to Forbach. His regard for Franklin is a sort of hero-worship. The "America" arrived at Brest; her construction much admired.

(In French.)

Vaughan, Benjamin. London

1783 August 9

A.L. 4p. XXIX, 73.

to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Charge against Lord Shelburne of having used foul play about the instructions for removing the troops from New York; second charge that he put the Spaniards in possession of Florida to give them an opportunity of quarreling with the America; gives his reasons for not believing these accusations; thinks Lord Shelburne would never be relished by Frenchmen or by ambitious English placemen; believes him to be a fair-meaning, bold statesman. [End of letter missing.]

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 August 9 A.L.S. 2p. CV, 97.
to Benjamin Franklin

Relating to his bankruptcy; his creditors have expressed confidence in him. Expects to be able eventually to satisfy them all.

Remmel, J. Chrétien and Houba, Jean 1783 August 9 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 74.
to Benjamin Franklin

Apply for a free passage to America.
(In French.)

Perier, -----, baron de. Chateau d'Ussan at Pau 1783 August 10 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 75.
to Benjamin Franklin

The cargo on his vessel he was forced to sell at New London for paper money; wishes Franklin's assistance to redeem the amount.
(In French.)

Deudon, A.C.G. Paris 1783 August 10 A.L.S. 4p. XXIX, 76
to Benjamin Franklin

Charged by M. Bournons of the Royal Academy of Sciences at Brussels to send Franklin the first part of his "Eléments de Mathématiques"; promises the next two volumes when they appear. Describes how he has improved the armonica; will gladly come to Passy and give him a practical demonstration.
(In French.)

Windisch-Grätz, comte de [1783.] August 10 N. in 3d P. XLIII, 245.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Inquiring when he could see Franklin at Passy.
(In French.)

Nixon, William. Off the Downs 1783 August 10 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 77.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs permission to dedicate to him a few little books, intended to facilitate the acquisition of the Roman language. The letter he received from Franklin when a prisoner at Valognes in Normandy he destroyed as a precautionary measure; is now en route to Portsmouth, Va., and would very much like another letter from him, in order to procure a professorship in one of the American colleges.

Bry, -----. L'Orient 1783 August 11 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 78.
to Benjamin Franklin

His share of prize-money due him as doctor on board "La Vengeance"; Commodore Paul Jones. Desires a place as physician to the Americans, who are about to found an institution at l'Orient.
(In French.)

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 August 11 A.L.S. 1p. XXXVIII,
to Benjamin Franklin 137.

Introducing Mr. [Le] Grand Cannon from Connecticut.

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 August 11 A.L.S. 1p. XXXVIII,
to Benjamin Franklin 138.

Introducing Mr. Russell of Boston.

Nicolson, Sir James. Passy 1783 August 12 N. in 3d P. CV, 99.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Complains of the action of Dr. Franklin's grandson [William Temple Franklin] in taking away a miniature portrait of Lady Nicolson and insists on its prompt return.

Ransier, Jacques Lambert. Fürth 1783 August 12 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 79.
to Benjamin Franklin

Repeats his request for Franklin's protection and advice as well as letters of recommendation to America.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

(In French.)

Brongniart, Alexandre Théodore. Paris 1783 August 13 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXIX, 80.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to know if he may expect Franklin at his house on Wednesday morning; afterwards they must go to the Military School and to the Invalides, relative to the lightning-rods which the Maréchal de Ségur intends erecting on those two buildings; after this inspection, *Le Gouverneur des Invalides* desires Franklin's presence at dinner. Franklin will see at M. Brongniart's house the model of the projected column to the glory of Louis XVI.

(In French.)

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 August 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXXVIII,
to Benjamin Franklin 139.

[Samuel Cooper] Johonnot arrived too late for the last vessel to New England; will try to get him a passage to Philadelphia; poor opinion of his father.

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 August 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXXVIII,
to Benjamin Franklin 141.

Unable to procure a passage for [Samuel Cooper] Johonnot at a smaller rate; thinks it will prove cheaper in the long run to send him off at once.

Baron, -----. Dunkirk 1783 August 14 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 81.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring to know about the prize-money due Messrs. Gognet and Cossont, officers on board the "Pallas" under the command of Paul Jones.

(In French.)

Nairne, Edward. London 1783 August 14 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 82.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a book he has sent Franklin containing directions for using his patent electrical machine; the experiments in the philosophical part tend to confirm Franklin's theory of electricity, and the similitude of lightning and electricity. Account of an electrical storm in Oxfordshire which killed thirteen sheep, every one of which had the balls of their eyes forced out.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Requests an audience to confer on the best means of forming an establishment in Virginia or Pennsylvania.

(In French.)

Gravellinies, ----- Dueil de. Epernay to Benjamin Franklin	1783 August 19	A.L.S. 3p.	XXIX, 86.
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Sending the sixty bottles of wine ordered; desirous of supplying the Americans with wines.

(In French.)

Williams, Jonathan Jr. to Benjamin Franklin	1783 August 19	A.L.S. 2p.	XXXVIII, 142.
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Deplorable situation of the American merchants in France; due entirely to the peace; Mr. Grubb's failure; gives him the highest character; recommends Mr. Harrison, who was for some time in Mr. Grubb's office.

J.A.C. Sieck formerly Postmaster at Goettingen. Berlin to Benjamin Franklin	1783 August 19	A.L.S. 3p.	LIX, 22.
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Asks for a position in the young Republic. Is able to give valuable secret information concerning the American Revolution. Refers to a previous letter to Mr. Adams. Mentions Secretary Bonhome in the Dutch secret service.

(In German.)

Davis, Caleb. Boston to Benjamin Franklin	1783 August 20	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 87.
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Enclosing certain letters for Mr. St. John.

La Combe, -----, chevalier de. Tulle to Benjamin Franklin	1783 August 20	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 88.
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Reported concessions granted by Congress to would-be settlers in America; has the honor to be a French officer of good family but no fortune; desires to know what kind of a reception he may expect in America.

(In French.)

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Rochambeau, vicomte de 1783 August 20 L. in 3d P. 1p.XXIX, 89.
to Benjamin Franklin

At the request of the author, M. Telles Dacosta, sends Franklin a book about woods.
(In French.)

St. Olympe, -----, chevalier de. Paris 1783 August 20 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 90.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging his kindness in signing his marriage contract; his approaching wedding and the numberless matters incidental thereto must excuse his not pressing the contract in person.
(In French.)

Nesbitt, Jonathan. Paris 1783 August 21 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 91.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning an old debt due for shipping some articles to Mr. Richard Bache of Philadelphia.

Vicq d' Azyr, Félix 1783 August 21 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 92.
to Benjamin Franklin

Deputed by the Royal Society of Medicine to send Franklin tickets for their public meeting on the 26th; the Society hopes Franklin will be present; intends reading a eulogy on the late Dr. [Sir John] Pringle.
(In French.)

Buquet, Cèsar. Paris 1783 August 22 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 93.
to Benjamin Franklin

After thirty years, has brought to perfection his invention for grinding corn; his successful experiments in preserving grain and flour; the results of his work can be found in the printed memoir subjoined.
(In French.)

Maroteau, Joseph. Tournay 1783 August 22 L.S. 3p. XXIX, 94.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Concerning a family at Tournay, whose talents are as unusual as their ill-fortune has been great. Their knowledge of the manufacture of silk and linen, etc.; if an opportunity should offer to employ them in the service of America, begs Franklin to let him know.

(In French.)

Deux-Ponts, Christian, comte de. Tugny 1783 August 22 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 95.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to send the enclosed to the Chevalier de la Luzerne, which includes some lines to his American friends.

(In French.)

Bruet, -----, comte de. Paris 1783 August 22 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXIX, 96.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging the copy [of the Constitutions of the United States] sent him by Franklin.

(In French.)

Boudinot, Elias. Princeton 1783 August 23 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 97 and
to Benjamin Franklin 98.

Requested by his nephew (John M[arsden] Pintard) to beg an introduction for the house of Mr. John Searle and Co., in Madeira; extreme attention paid by this firm to American prisoners who were carried to that island.

(In duplicate.)

The Ambassador of Sardinia 1783 August 23 L. in 3d P. 1p. XLIV, 122.
to Benjamin Franklin

Invitation to dinner.

(In French.)

Gérard de Rayneval, Joseph-Mathias. 1783 August 23 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 99.
to Benjamin Franklin

Has received a letter in favor of Mr. [Burrill] Carnes; thinks if Franklin writes directly to the Comte de Vergennes, the safe conduct will be granted him.

(In French.)

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Gérard de Rayneval, Joseph-Mathias. 1783 August 23 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 100.
to Benjamin Franklin

Returning Franklin the first project for the definitive treaty [of peace with Great Britain]. Encloses a copy of a prescription for gravel; hopes it will be of benefit. Mr. [Jonathan] Williams [Jr.]'s affair will come before the Council on the 29th.

(In French.)

Sieck, J.A.C. Berlin 1783 August 23 A.L.S. 1p. LIX, 24.
to Benjamin Franklin

Refers to his letter of August 19th. By mistake it was sent under address of Mr. Dumas at The Hague. Encloses duplicate of said letter.

(In German.)

Pierres, Philippe Denis 1783 August 25 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 101.
to Benjamin Franklin

Request made in Franklin's name by the Duc de la Rochefoucauld for twelve copies of the "Constitutions." Repeats his wish for an interview.

(In French.)

Churchill, C. Bennet St. West 1783 August 25 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 102.
to Benjamin Franklin

Fears that a multiplicity of business has prevented Franklin from answering his last two letters; begs for a little pecuniary assistance.

Ogden, Col Matthias. Paris 1783 August 25 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 103.
to Benjamin Franklin

Wishes to know if it will be perfectly agreeable to Franklin to present him to the King on the following day; the Marquis de la Fayette will be present at the ceremony; if it is not inconvenient, begs for a seat in Franklin's carriage.

Tournachon, -----. Paris 1783 August 25 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 105.
to Benjamin Franklin

Requesting the position of Consul at Genoa for M. Aimé Bonnafons.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

(In French.)

La Rochefoucauld, Louis Alexandre, duc de 1783 August 27 L. in 3d P. 1p.XXIX, 106.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging the copies of the American Constitutions sent him by Franklin; much concerned to hear of his indisposition.

(In French.)

-----, -----, **Brest** 1783 August 27 A.L. 3p. XLIV, 65.
to Benjamin Franklin

Presents the claim of an American sailor called Springer, now at Brest, against a certain man, Lelay, who had collected 2,496 francs from the French Admiralty for Springer's account. The claim arose from the sale of a sloop seized in the cove of Cork by seven American sailors who were escaped prisoners from an English jail. The sloop was declared a lawful prize by the French Admiralty and ordered sold, the proceeds to be distributed amongst the seven sailors. Lelay who collected Springer's share as attorney for the latter refused to turn over to him the full amount of his share. Asks Franklin to intervene.

(In French.)

Johonnot, Samuel Cooper. Nantes 1783 August 27 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 107.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging his fault and promising to profit by it. Expects to sail with the first fair wind.

Cambray-Digny, Louis-Antoine-Jean-Baptiste, chevalier de. Paris 1783 August 28 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 108.
to Benjamin Franklin

His desire to obtain advancement at Court; wishes particularly to interest in the Comte de Vergennes in his behalf; begs Franklin to write the Count a letter; enumerates his services to the United States.

(In French.)

Calder, John Dr. London 1783 August 28 L. in 3d P. 1p.XXIX, 109.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Reminding Franklin of a letter which was to be sent to the Hotel d'Espagne for Lieut.-Gen. Melville, and which never came to hand; the bearer, Mr. P. Elmsly will carry any letters Franklin may care to send to London.

Platen, M.E., douairière de. Gartz in 1783 August 30 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 111.
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 to Benjamin Franklin

Begging for news of her son, Philip de Platen, who left France seven years before, to enter the service of the United States; since then has heard nothing of him.
 (In French.)

Duplan, Jean-Pierre. Lausanne 1783 August 30 A.L.S. 4p. XXIX, 112.
 to Benjamin Franklin

Reminding Franklin of his promise to subscribe to their encyclopaedia of thirty-six volumes; desires his assistance in order to encourage the sale of this work in America.
 (In French.)

Thieriot, Ph. Bordeaux 1783 August 30 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 113.
 to Benjamin Franklin

About to sail, in the ship "Nancy," for Philadelphia; pleased to be honored with Franklin's commands.
 (In French.)

Pierres, Philippe Denis 1783 August 30 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 114.
 to Benjamin Franklin

Sending Franklin the quarto copy [of the American Constitutions] for the Grand Duke of Russia, and also the one in octavo.
 (In French.)

Durey de Meinières, Octavie Guichard. 1783 August 31 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 115.
Aux Pavillons du Chaillot
 to Benjamin Franklin

Asking for a copy of the "Constitutions" translated by M. de la Rochefoucauld; hears it cannot be bought; would be proud to possess a copy.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Fox, George [1783. August ?] A.L. in 3d P. XLI, 148.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Will wait on Franklin on Thursday and receive his commands for America.

Aerts-Smith, Thérèse. Brussels 1783 August A.L.S. 4p. XXIX, 116.
to Benjamin Franklin

Mrs. Williams unable, so far, to trace the whereabouts of her husband whose late letter, dated 1778, spoke of sailing for Boston; her miserable situation, deprived of a support, if he is living, and of his effects, if he is dead; encloses a memoir containing all the details [3p.]; begs Franklin's assistance. (In French.)

Caffiéri, Jean Jacques 1783 September 1 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 117.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulates him on his recovered health; begs him not to forget his offer, in case Congress desires to erect any monuments to the glory of the Nation or to the Generals who contributed thereto. (In French.)

Thiriote, J 1783 September 1 A. Verses. 1p.LI, 14.
to Benjamin Franklin

In praise of Franklin.
(In French.)

Littlepage, Lewis 1783 September 1 L. in 3d P. 1p.XXIX, 118.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking him for acquiescence in his request to be sent to Congress with the definitive treaty; as Mr. Jay has declared himself decidedly in favor of Mr. Adam's clerk, begs Franklin not to trouble to propose him; will inform the Marquis de la Fayette what deference Franklin paid to his recommendation.

Ingenhousz, Jan 1783 September 1 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 119.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desire of Count Chotek, Chancellor of Bohemia and Austria, to have the enclosed list of American plants sent to a good botanist who will at once forward the grains of seeds to Amsterdam. Urges

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Franklin to finish his glorious career in philosophical tranquility. His hopes of seeing Franklin in Vienna. Contented with what he has acquired by saving the most illustrious Princess of the world from a disease so fatal to her family; he enjoys in philosophical obscurity more real happiness than a conqueror of a world.

Briant, -----. La Chapelle 1783 September 2 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 120.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a relative who in three years has lost all his fortune and most of his family; his purpose to start life again in a new country; thought it possible that Franklin might lessen for them the great expense of a trip to America.

(In French.)

Gouhard, -----. Nantes 1783 September 2 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 121.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sends a request addressed to [Jonathan] Williams [Jr.] by John Mehegam, Carmelite at Brest, on behalf of poor Springer who is in a deplorable situation. Change of plans in the sailing of his vessel obliged [Samuel Cooper] Johonnot to apply for a further loan, which he granted him; gives the total of the amount borrowed.

(In French.)

Vernonnet, Jean-Baptiste-Arthur. St. Domingo 1783 September 2 L.S. 2p. XXIX, 122.
to Benjamin Franklin

Account of his services to America; applies for the position of His Majesty's Vice-Consul for the United States; begs Franklin to intercede with the Minister on his behalf; encloses a memoir, in French, setting forth his services and the reasons for his request [2p.].

Enoch Freeman, Jedediah Preble, Samuel Freeman, Timothy Dike, John Waste 1783 September 3 L.S. 3p. XXIX, 123.
Committee of the Sufferers in Falmouth, Casco Bay. Falmouth, Casco Bay
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Transmitting to Franklin's care the enclosed address; hope the unhappy circumstances of their case will justify their application for relief; suggest the appointment of persons at different ports of France to receive any donations which may be offered; this will be handed Franklin by their friend, the Honorable James Bowdoin.

Martin, ----- Du Bois. Paris 1783 September 3 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 124.
to Benjamin Franklin

M. de Both desires to know if Franklin ever received his letter of February 24th, and begs that the answer may be confided to the writer.
(In French.)

Giordana, François. Turin 1783 September 3 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 125.
to Benjamin Franklin

Offers his services to the United States for the establishment of a silk manufactory.
(In French.)

Briaud, ----- Caen 1783 September 4 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 126.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring to go to America and practise his trade of carpenter and joiner.
(In French.)

Faudoas, Léonard (?), vicomte de. Paris 1783 September 4 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 127.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging for letters of recommendation on behalf of a merchant-captain in Havre-de-Grace, who is about to sail for Philadelphia.
(In French.)

Nolin, abbé ----- Paris 1783 September 4 L.S. 1p. XXIX, 128.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking him for the trouble he took about the boxes of seeds which will arrive from America for him; sends a letter which he begs may be forwarded.
(In French.)

Houdetot, Comtesse d' 1783 September 6 L.S. 3p. XXIX, 129.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Writes on behalf of a poor sailor in the American service, who is unjustly imprisoned; begs Franklin to write a line to the Intendant at Caen in order to procure the poor fellow's release; M. de Crevecoeur wrote to her about him; will gladly provide the necessary funds to carry him to L'Orient. Looks forward with great pleasure to Franklin's little visit to Sanoir.

(In French.)

Du Ponceau, Jean-Michel, chevalier. 1783 September 6 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 130.
Sarrelouis

to Benjamin Franklin

Since his return with the army of Rochambeau, has received no news of his brother [Peter Stephen Du Ponceau] who is employed at Philadelphia in foreign affairs; fears his letters have miscarried; takes the liberty of sending the enclosed under Franklin's care.

(In French.)

Angiviller, Charles-Claude de Flahault La 1783 September 7 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 130
Billarderie, comte d'. Paris 1/2.

to Benjamin Franklin

Delighted to be able to procure him the privilege of seeing the beauties of the salon with greater convenience; the aim and object of works of art.

(In French.)

Vicq d' Azyr, Félix 1783 September 8 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 131.
to Benjamin Franklin

Expressing his own concern as well as that of the Royal Society of Medicine, for Franklin's indisposition.

(In French.)

Bridgen, Edward 1783 September 8 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 132.
to Benjamin Franklin

Transcribes a copy of the letter of Bridgen and Waller sent to the Honorable R.R. Livingston at Philadelphia concerning their offer to furnish the States of North America with a copper coinage; apologizes for sending the original to Philadelphia, without again consulting the Commissioners.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Bache, Richard. Philadelphia 1783 September 8 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 133.
to Benjamin Franklin

Received the enclosed packet from Cape François; the other packet for Comte de Barbancon, he forwards, by [William] Bartram's request, to Franklin's care. Changes in the weather; prevailing sickness. Death of Mr. Joseph Turner and Mr. [Governor James] Hamilton. Increase of population by foreign immigration.

Bauer, Johann Christoph. Goettingen 1783 September 8 A.L.S. 4p. LIX, 25.
to Benjamin Franklin

Is a glass and brick manufacturer. Refers to an advertisement in the "Dantziger Zeitung," that glass-blowers could profitably locate in America. Detailed account of the establishment of a mirror factory, how it could be accomplished. He would make a venture in Flemish and mirror glass and refund money advanced by means of yearly payments.

Jean de Neufville and Co. Amsterdam 1783 September 8 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 134.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging leave to send a letter to His Excellency John Jay, under Franklin's cover. Changes in the name of their firm.

Bays, ----- de. Nuits 1783 September 9 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 135.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating Franklin on the independence of his country and on his part in the great event; sends him a basket of his best wine with which to celebrate the peace; will send the same for Mr. Washington. Desires Franklin's advice concerning the erection of a lightning-rod on one of his country houses.

Bache, Richard. Philadelphia 1783 September 9 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 136.
to Benjamin Franklin

Arrival of [Samuel] Vaughan and his family who are lodging with them until better accommodations can be found. Promises to send the apples, nuts, etc. Uncertain what price to ask for the types sold to Virginia.

Pierres, Philippe Denis 1783 September 9 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 137.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Sends a copy of the [Definitive] Treaty [of Peace]; the composition is done and the proof is nearly read. List of books on mathematics and their prices.

(In French.)

Bariatinskoy, Prince Ivan Sergeevich 1783 September 9 L. in 3d P. 1p.XXIX, 138.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking Franklin for his information concerning the [Definitive] Treaty of Peace.

(In French.)

Rousseaux, Jean 1783 September 10 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 139.
to Benjamin Franklin

Wrote Franklin from Dunkirk concerning the wages and prize-money due him for his services on board the "Lexington"; asks nothing but his just dues.

(In French.)

Montgolfier, J M de [1783?] September 11 L. in 3d P. 1p.XLI, 76.
to Benjamin Franklin

Inviting Franklin to view his aerostatic experiment, to take place the following morning.

(In French.)

Schaffer, John. Paris 1783 September 12 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 140.
to Benjamin Franklin

If he had only followed Franklin's advice, he would not be in his present deplorable situation; is held a prisoner on suspicion of being an associate of St. Ives; has proved the untruth of this to the Minister, and only needs a word from Franklin to obtain his liberty; unworthy as he is, hopes that Franklin will take pity on him.

(In French.)

Elmsly, Peter. Paris 1783 September 12 L. in 3d P. 1p.XXIX, 141.
to Benjamin Franklin

Offering to carry any parcel Franklin may care to send to England. The four parts of the Philosophical Transactions from Sir Joseph Banks will be sent Franklin.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Durey de Meinières, Octavie Guichard. 1783 September 12 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 142.
Aux Pavillons du Chaillot
 to Benjamin Franklin

Asking Franklin to dine with herself, her husband and the Guibert family; desires to thank him personally for the "American Constitutions."
 (In French.)

Cabanes, F.M. de Metz 1783 September 12 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 143.
 to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to send the enclosed letter to Mr. Washington; knows no other way of procuring some information concerning one of his relatives, who fought at the siege of Yorktown.
 (In French.)

Hobart, George 1783 September 12 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXIX, 144.
 to Benjamin Franklin

Not knowing where to find Mr. Adams, takes the liberty, in Governor Pownall's name, to forward him the memorial addressed to the Sovereigns of America; the Governor anxious to know whether his letter and power of attorney were ever forwarded to Mr. [James] Bowdoin and Dr. [Samuel] Cooper.

Cadet de Vaux, Antoine-Alexis. Paris 1783 September 13 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 145.
 to Benjamin Franklin

M. [Alexandre Théodore Brongniart, of the Royal Academy of Architecture, has had an impression struck off of the medal intended to commemorate the Union of America and France; their wish to present this to Franklin in person; begs for an audience on Thursday.
 (In French.)

Banks, Sir Joseph. London 1783 September 13 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 146.
 to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging Franklin's account of the aerostatic experiment, and promising to lay it before the Royal Society when they next meet; prophesies great results from this opening of a road into the air.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Belletti, Dominique-François. Trieste 1783 September 15 L.S. 2p. XXIX, 147.
to Benjamin Franklin

Urging his former request for the position of Consul at Trieste, and thanking Franklin for his favorable expressions to M. [Jean Baptiste] Le Roy on his behalf.
(In French.)

Newenham, Sir Edward. Dublin 1783 September 16 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 148.
to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating him on the completion of America's independence; what America owes to him. His villa will be honored with a pillar to remind posterity of Franklin's transcendental virtues. Account of the general election; has been returned by a large majority; his bill for a more equal representation of the people, which he hopes to propose; question of America's trade with Ireland.

Stubbs, E. Versailles 1783 September 16 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 149.
to Benjamin Franklin

Apologizes for her temerity in sending the enclosed without being known to Franklin; a young physician, to whom she owes her present health begged her to forward it.

States, Mrs. Hannah. Philadelphia 1785 September 16 A.L.S. and LI, 6.
to Benjamin Franklin Poem. 2p.

Sends Dr. Franklin an aerostic, on his return to America. Was a staunch female Whig; occasionally wrote pieces which were printed. Is now 70 years old and the surviving sister of Tho[ma]s Godfrey, much esteemed by Dr. Franklin.

Bariatinskoy, Prince Ivan Sergeevich. [1783.] September 16 L. in 3d P. 1p. XLIII, 128.
Paris
to Benjamin Franklin

Inviting him to dine.
(In French.)

A.E. by Dr. Franklin. Declining invitation on account of a prior engagement.

Avelange, ----- d'. Saint-Germain 1783 September 17 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 150.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Begs his assistance in establishing him as physician and surgeon in one of the towns of the United States.

(In French.)

Bennet, James. Paris 1783 September 17 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 151.
to Benjamin Franklin

Account of his shipping as steward on board an American schooner, of his capture by the English, his imprisonment, release, his destitute condition; desires to obtain a passage home to Philadelphia; begs some assistance.

Patrick Murphy and others. Bordeaux 1783 September 17 L.S. 2p. XXIX, 152.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to enable them to go to America or the West Indies; in His Majesty's service during the whole war; determined not to go to England; their number is twenty-six, and they are in debt and in danger of gaol unless Franklin will help them.

Chase, Samuel. London 1783 September 18 A.L.S. 7p. XXIX, 153.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging his favor of July 15th; unfortunate for Mr. Russell that it did not come sooner; hopes something can still be done in his favor. Sent to London by the Legislature of Maryland to receive their stock in the Bank of England; expects to meet with difficulties or even a refusal to make the transfer. Misconduct of the Chevalier de Quémy. Commander of the French frigate "Emeraude," in connection with the American ship "Matilda"; his cowardice and final desertion of that ship, which was captured by the British; desires Franklin's opinion on the chances of obtaining redress. Asks Franklin's aid on behalf of a lady of Annapolis, a Miss Ann Howard, who married, in 1781, M. Jean Le Vanchè de Vaubrun, Captain in the Continental Army, afterwards lost at sea; sends proof of this marriage and begs Franklin to find out if she cannot inherit any property left by her husband.

Remond, ----. Paris 1783 September 18 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 154.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs for an audience; believes he can offer to Franklin a new occasion to be use to his country.
(In French.)

Pigott, Robert. Geneva 1783 September 21 L. in 3d p. 1p. XXIX, 155.

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to Benjamin Franklin

Asking that the enclosed letter may be forwarded.

Remond, -----. Paris	1783 September 21	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 156.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Unable to call at the hour appointed; begs him to fix another time.
(In French.)

Bowdoin, James. Boston	1783 September 23	A.L.S. 3p.	XXIX, 157.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Congratulating Franklin on the return of peace and on his own conspicuous part in bringing it about; anxious to have it confirmed by the definitive treaty. Concerning the Committee of Falmouth, Casco Bay, whose inhabitants suffered so cruelly by the merciless orders of Admiral Graves; promises to send certain papers written by the Committee, as well as their address to the people of France; supposes Franklin will consult the Minister at Versailles, in order to obtain his favor in this business.

Vergennes, Charles Gravier, comte de.	1783 September 24	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XXIX, 158.
Versailles			
to Benjamin Franklin			

Sending a packet for the Chevalier de la Luzerne which he begs Franklin to forward to its destination.
(In French.)

The Ambassador of the Emperor of Austria	c. 1783 September 24	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XLIV, 121.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Forwarding a letter for him just received from M. Ingen Housz, at Vienna.
(In French.)

Saint Martin, -----. Vèrteuil	1783 September 25	A.L.S. 1p.	XXIX, 160.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Has written Franklin many times concerning his chances of being re-employed in the American army; does not like to return to the United States in such uncertainty.
(In French.)

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Brunville, ----- de Flaudre de. Paris 1783 September 25 L.S. 2p. XXIX, 161.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a law-suit against M. Jean Robert Schaffer and others, convicted of abusing the confidence of various merchants; necessary to have the deposition of Franklin's grandson [William Temple Franklin]; thought best to inform Franklin first of this fact.
(In French.)

Thomson, Charles. Philadelphia 1783 September 26 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 162.
to Benjamin Franklin

Recommending to Franklin's protection Mr. Isaac Norris, son of their ancient and worthy friend Mr. Charles Norris, a young man of an amiable disposition and of good principles and morals; his intention of travelling in France and the Low Countries; wished he might have known more of his own country before going abroad.

Tournachon, -----. Paris 1783 September 26 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 163.
to Benjamin Franklin

Enclosing a memoir (2p.) which he begs Franklin to send to Congress with his endorsement, asking for the position of Consul at Genoa for M. [Aimé] Bonnafons.
(In French.)

Maréchal Prince de Soubise. Paris 1783 September 27 A.L.S. 2p. CV, 119.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sends a license to hunt game for William Temple Franklin.
(In French.)

Krazeisen, -----. Paris 1783 September 27 A.L.S. 3p. XXIX, 164.
to Benjamin Franklin

Deputed by M. de Pachelbel to beg for some information concerning two brothers, Gottfried and Philippe Jacques Sommerlad, who sailed for America in 1748 and established themselves as manufacturers at Germantown near Philadelphia.
(In French.)

Solas, abbé ----- de. Embrun 1783 September 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 165.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

His cousin, le Chevalier de Chef de Bien [de Chevigny], who served in America, is known to Franklin; takes the liberty therefore of presenting the case of a poor young man who has nearly finished his theological course but who feels his unfitness for that career; begs Franklin to find him employment in the United States.

(In French.)

Putnam, Benjamin. Portsmouth, Va 1783 September 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 166.
to Benjamin Franklin

In great distress; his all is at stake; has heard nothing from Mr. [Matthew] Ridley and is ignorant how his affairs stand; considerable sum of money he deposited with Mr. Jonathan Williams [Jr.]; refers to his capture by a British man-of-war, his recapture and arrival at Portsmouth where he is now involved in a law-suit.

Champion, Richard. Whitehall 1783 September 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXIX, 167.
to Benjamin Franklin

Regretting his inability to profit by Mr. [Samuel] Chase's introduction to Franklin before leaving Paris; his wishes for the future interchange of good offices between America and England.

Boudinot, Lewis. Falmouth 1783 September 29 A.L.S. 1p. XXIX, 168.
to Benjamin Franklin

Transmitted the despatches to the French Ambassador at London, according to the orders received from his brother [Elias Boudinot].

Rousset, -----. Paris [A.L.S. 3p. XL, 71.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to go to America and continue the practise of medicine.
(In French.)

Schönfeld, Baron de [1783. September.] N. in 3d P. XLIII, 231.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Inviting him to dinner.
(In French.)

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Schaffer, J. Paris [1783. September.] A.L.S. 4p. XLI, 183.
to Benjamin Franklin

Applies to Franklin as a fellow-citizen, to rescue him from his cruel situation; arrested under suspicion of being in partnership with Mr. St. Yver, his lodger; swears he never had any business relations with him. Encloses letter from Menier de St. Yver to Franklin (3p.), professing friendship for Schaffer and asserting their innocence; begs Franklin to obtain their liberty.
(In French.)

Bachois de Villefort, ----- 1783. September L.S. 1p. XLII, 90.
to Benjamin Franklin

Asks Franklin about [J.] Schaffer, of Philadelphia, who has been arrested and on whom was found a bill of exchange drawn on Franklin.
(In French.)

Schaffer, John. Paris [1783. September.] A.L.S. 4p. XLI, 204.
to Benjamin Franklin

Imprisoned on a false accusation of being a partner of one Saint-Yver; begs Franklin to write a few lines, stating his American birth and parentage; asks for the loan of a small sum of money.

Stubbs, E. Versailles 1783 October 1 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 1.
to Benjamin Franklin

Fears her former letter was lost, or considered an impertinence; begs him to clear up this doubt.

Pierres, Philippe Denis 1783 October 2 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 2.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sends fifty-three copies of the American Constitutions; number already forwarded; the book-binder desirous of being paid for his share of the work.
(In French.)

Stamitz, Charles. Spa 1783 October 2 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 3.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Report of a French troop of players being about to establish themselves in America with M. Cl(e)[ai]rval as manager; offers his services as a teacher of music; three other singers and musicians anxious to accompany him.

(In French.)

A.E. by Dr. Franklin. Cannot advise them to go to America; doubts the success of M. Cl(e)[ai]rval's project; America not yet ripe for such amusements.

Genet, Edmond-Charles-Edouard. 1783 October 3 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 4.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging the letters of recommendation written him by Franklin; will endeavor to deserve such a mark of his favor.

(In French.)

His, Madame 1783 October 4 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXX, 5.
to Benjamin Franklin

The Comtesse d'Houdetot desires news of Franklin's health; her impatience to see him at Sanoir, and her disappointment at not receiving an answer to her letter about the American sailor.

(In French.)

Charvet, ----- Serrières 1783 October 4 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 6.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desires to go to America and establish there the culture of mulberry vines and the manufacture of silk; his experience in this branch of work; reasons why his ideas have met with so little recognition; his knowledge of the cultivation of grapes for wine.

(In French.)

Houdetot, Comtesse d' 1783 October 6 L.S. 1p. XXX, 7.
to Benjamin Franklin

Fears Franklin never received her letter relative to the American sailor. Reminds him of his promises to visit her that autumn.

(In French.)

Montgomery, Dorcas Armitage and Son 1783 October 6 N. in 3d P. XXX, 8.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Will dine with him on the following Friday.

Manini, Lorenzo. Cremona to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 9	A.L.S. 1p.	XXX, 9.
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Asking permission to dedicate to Franklin one of his publications, "Lettere Americane" by the celebrated President [Jean Renaud, Comte de] Carli [-Rubbi]; sends him two copies.
(In Italian.)

Jay, Sir James. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 9	A.N.S. 1p.	XXX, 10.
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Asking for a passport, as he expects to set out for England in a day or two.

Grimoult, Joseph B. to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 9	A.L.S. 2p.	XXX, 11.
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A bill of exchange drawn by him on Richard Bache in favour of M. Malide; begs Franklin to pay it in France as a great favor to M. Malide.
(In French.)

Schaffer, John. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 10	A.L.S. 2p.	XXX, 12.
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Has no bread to eat nor a farthing in his pocket; insists that the bill on his father, which he encloses, will be paid; if Franklin refuses him some small assistance he must perish.

Brühl, John Maurice, count de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 10	A.L.S. 1p.	XXX, 13.
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Flattered at Franklin's letter, received through the ingenious M. de Kempelen.

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Hoffmann, John George. Hirschberg in Silesia to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 10	A.L.S. 3p.	XXX, 14.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Reminds Franklin of his promise to recommend him to some good houses in America; has been informed that their Prussian King intends sending envoys to America to form trade connections, and make treaties of commerce; desires to know whether such envoys would be welcome and useful.

Dufaux, Morel. Dunkirk 1783 October 11 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 15.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging him to endorse his petition for the consulship at Dunkirk; services rendered by him to the Americans justify his claim; is favored with Mr. [Thomas] Barclay's protection.

Ferry, Gaspard-Bonaventure-Timothée. 1783 October 12 A.L.S. 4p. XXX, 16.
Marseilles
to Benjamin Franklin

Hopes to present him with one of his works which competed that year for a prize offered by the Academy; in the meantime copies out a few verses written in Franklin's honor.
(In French.)

Schönfeld, Baron de 1783 October 13 N. in 3d P. XXX, 17.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Begs him to forward to America the enclosed letter for M. [Ph.] Thieriot.

Lafayette, Marie Joseph Paul Yves, [1783. October 13 ?] A.L.S. 1p. XLII, 140.
marquis de, 1757-1834
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to dine with him that day to meet the famous Mr. [William] Pitt and several of his friends.

Houdetot, Comtesse d' 1783 October 14 L.S. 2p. XXX, 18.
to Benjamin Franklin

Her grief at hearing of Franklin's illness. Thanks him for his letter on behalf of the poor sailor; proofs of the genuineness of this man's case. Expects to stay in the country till December in order to rest mind and body after the loss which she has sustained.
(In French.)

Schaffer, John. Paris 1783 October 14 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 19.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Received Franklin's letter containing a doubt of his using his liberty to good purpose; swears he never contracted a farthing's debt himself, but intrusted his signature to a scoundrel; begs Franklin to procure his release, whereupon the Justice will return him some bills, one of which is on Franklin.

Stubbs, E. Versailles 1783 October 14 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 20.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking him for answering her former letters; if an opportunity should offer of rendering Mr. D. a service, Franklin would benefit two persons, for he only waits to be established to marry. Hopes for Franklin's speedy recovery.

Dessin, Pierre. Calais 1783 October 14 L.S. 1p. XXX, 21.
to Benjamin Franklin

Promising to forward Franklin the two carriage wheels as soon as they arrive from London.
(In French.)

Braumüller, John Gottfried. Berlin 1783 October 14 A.L.S. 2p. LIX, 54.
to Benjamin Franklin

Refers to his letter of August 2d (LIX, 23). Desires Consulship.

Albert, ----- 1783 October 14 L.S. 1p. XXX, 23.
to Benjamin Franklin

Possibility of Franklin taking the apartments above his baths; if he can count on such an honor, will put all things in readiness for Franklin's reception.
(In French.)

Leutre, -----, de 1783 October 15 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 22.
to Benjamin Franklin

Inviting Franklin to be present at a fête to be given by the Masonic Lodge in honor of the wished-for peace.
(In French.)

La Jousselandière, ----- Vigneron de 1783 October 15 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 24.

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to Benjamin Franklin

His health obliges him to seek a hot climate; has decided on Virginia; the cost of a tract of land near a sea-port; nearly six hundred persons have offered to follow him to the New World; wishes to know by what laws in America he may hold them to their fidelity; they ask Franklin's protection and that of Congress and a letter of recommendation; for reference, mentions the Prince de Lambesc.

(In French.)

Baynes, John 1783 October 15 A.L.S. 1p. XLII, 89.

to Benjamin Franklin

Asks for a list of books and sends Mr. Mason's poem.

Other Descriptive Information

1 See Baynes's Journal in Works of Benjamin Franklin (Bigelow, VIII, 410).

Schaffer, John. Paris [1783. October 15?] A.L.S. 1p. XLI, 206.

to Benjamin Franklin

The bearer, a lawyer, will explain to Franklin all the circumstances of his present detention.

Cooper, Samuel 1783 October 16 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 25.

to Benjamin Franklin

Impost of five per cent agreed to by the Legislature of Massachusetts for paying the interest on the National Debt; opposition to this measure.

Villiers, Louis-Pierre Dufourny de 1783 October 16 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 26.

to Benjamin Franklin

His kindness in offering to grant an audience to the French engineer who commanded at the siege of Yorktown; introducing the bearer, a French merchant, who goes to Philadelphia on business with passports and letters from Government; asks for all the support Franklin can give him.

(In French.)

Hope and Co. Amsterdam 1783 October 16 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 27.

to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Introducing William French, Esq., of the firm of French, Crawford and Co. one of the richest houses of Glasgow; his desire to solicit Franklin's aid and protection in a matter connected with America; his travelling companion is Peter Speers, Esq., a young gentleman of family.

Lafayette, Marie Joseph Paul Yves, marquis de, 1757-1834 to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 17	Engraved N. XXX, 28. in 3d P. 1p.
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Requesting the honor of Franklin's presence at dinner.

Baynes, John. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 17	A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 29.
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His failure to get the list from the Abbé Morellet; hopes he will send it after him to England. Promises to give Franklin's message to the Bishop of St. Asaph. Hopes Franklin will keep the two books as a small testimony of his regard.

Davies, Mary Ann. Florence to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 17	A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 30.
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Disappointed at receiving no answer to her letter; fears it miscarried; begs to be informed of the receipt of this and the fate of her former letter.

Schaffer, John. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 18	A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 31.
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Informed by his lawyer that Franklin is willing to make him a small advance for his food, while he is waiting for the arrival of Mr. [Thomas] Barclay; promises faithfully to refund the money.
(In French.)

Schaffer, John. Paris to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 18	A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 32.
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Assuring Franklin that it will be perfectly safe to entrust the small sum to the bearer.
(In French.)

Holmes, Richard. Naples to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October 18	L. in 3d P. 2p. XXX, 33.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Begging Franklin to aid him and Dominick Romers to employ their talents in America; they are both perfect masters in the manufacture of all sorts of woolen goods; ask to be given a passage to America.

Cadet de Vaux, Antoine-Alexis. Paris 1783 October 19 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 34.
to Benjamin Franklin

On the 22d, the electrical treatment will take place at the Convent of the Célestins; hopes to meet Franklin there and go afterwards to the wheat market; later they will dine together, and if M. de Montgolfier can arrange his machine they will proceed there in the afternoon.
(In French.)

Cadet de Vaux, Antoine-Alexis. Paris 1783 October 20 L. in 3d P. 1p. XXX, 35.
to Benjamin Franklin

M. Brunier anxious to see the electrical treatment of M. Comus; he proposes calling for Franklin at 10 A.M.
(In French.)

Newenham, Sir Edward. Dublin 1783 October 20 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 36.
to Benjamin Franklin

Had determined on the first day of their Parliament to introduce the subject of a commercial treaty; prevented by illness. Death of his personal and political friend, Mr. Baron [Walter Hussey] Burgh. State of their manufactures; suffering in Dublin; emigration to America; numbers prevented from sailing by the cruelty of the Captains. Result of the Roman Catholics obtaining votes in Ireland. Account of a bishop preaching in favor of Popery, clad in military array. His daughter in Marseilles is near having a French Newenham; the Consulship would be very acceptable to that house. Begg Franklin to give him any advice for the benefit of Irish trade. Question of an interchange of consuls between Ireland and America. Anxious for the treasure of the bust. Result of the Galway election.

Nesbitt, Jonathan, & Co. 1783 October 20 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 37.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning the rate of insurance on the ship "Nancy" and the impossibility of obtaining a sentence in the Court of Admiralty at Dunkirk; encloses Mr. [Richard] Gallwey's letter on this subject [2p.]; desires Franklin to lay it before the Comte de Vergennes.

Frenay, ----- Benoist de 1783 October 21 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 38.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Forced by his singular situation to address himself to Franklin; begs for an interview.
(In French.)

Schaffer, John. Paris	1783 October 22	A.L.S. 1p.	XXX, 39.
to Benjamin Franklin			

The bearer will convince Franklin of his intention to quit Paris and return to his own home whenever Franklin thinks proper; is ready to furnish every security in his power, if Franklin will grant him what he craves.
(In French.)

Le Veillard, Geneviève-Elisabeth Belamy	1783 October 22	N. in 3d P.	XXX, 40.
to Benjamin Franklin		1p.	

Wishing Franklin good-morning and begging him to drink tea with her that evening.
(In French.)

Giordana, François. Turin	1783 October 22	A.L.S. 2p.	XXX, 41.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Repeats his request of the 3d ult., and begs for a reply.
(In French.)

Contrepoint, -----, chevalier de	1783 October 23	A.L.S. 1p.	XXX, 42.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Begs for an interview on a subject he believes will give pleasure to Franklin.
(In French.)

Curwen, John. Little Broughton	1783 October 23	A.L.S. 3p.	XXX, 43.
to Benjamin Franklin			

Though an Englishman, wished well to the Americans in their late noble struggle, and now desires to settle with his family in that country; begs for some information concerning the sale of lands and the treatment likely to be accorded them as English people.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Scrope, Richard 1783 October 24 N. in 3d P. XXX, 44.
to Benjamin Franklin 1p.

Promising to dine with Franklin, together with Mrs. Scrope and his daughter, on the following Sunday.

Tugny, -----, chevalier de 1783 October 25 A.L.S. 4p. XXX, 45.
to Benjamin Franklin

His plan for recruiting a body of troops for the service of America; his military experience and reputation.

(In French.)

Nesbitt, Jonathan, & Co. 1783 October 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 46.
to Benjamin Franklin

Enclosing a copy of the Comte de Vergennes's letter [1p]; extremely surprised at finding his sentiments on the 22d Article of the Preliminary Treaty so diametrically opposed to those of Franklin and the British Ministry; begs him to speak to the Count on the subject; if he persists in his opinion, it will be more prudent for them to abandon their dispute with the underwriters.

Williams, Jonathan Jr. 1783 October 27 A.L.S. 1p. XXXVIII,
to Benjamin Franklin 143.

Enclosing a letter just arrived from Philadelphia.

Newenham, Sir Edward. Dublin 1783 October 28 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 47.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring to know by return of post whether Ireland is mentioned in the Treaty; thinks Franklin is warranted in demanding this information of Mr. [David] Hartley; various ways of evading this question which the Ministry will find; public expectation high and Dublin in a state of the greatest anxiety; the dependence he puts on Franklin's assistance. Mr. [John] Foster's bill to facilitate the commercial relations between Ireland and America. Question of the protective duties will occasion much contest. Violent altercation between Mr. [Henry] Flood and Mr. [Henry] Grattan.

Birckel, -----, Strasbourg 1783 October 28 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 48.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Refers to Franklin's letter in which he spoke of a method; this method is engraven on the soul of Franklin and on that of the best patriot in France, England and America; flight of fancy concerning the result of a union of these souls.

(In French.)

La Brosse, ----- du Tremblay, comtesse de 1783 October 28 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 49.
to Benjamin Franklin

A year ago sent Franklin a letter for her brother in Virginia; not hearing from him since, takes the liberty of enclosing another, which she begs may be sent by the first opportunity; her mother's distress at not hearing from her son.

(In French.)

Sutter, ----- Paris 1783 October 29 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 50.
to Benjamin Franklin

Report of Franklin's plan to establish, in Philadelphia, master workers in glass; offers his services as well as those of many of his associates.

(In French.)

Caffiéri, Jean Jacques 1783 October 29 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 51.
to Benjamin Franklin

Repeating his desire to execute any monuments or statues for the United States; refers to his likeness of Franklin and to the tomb of Montgomery; has the cast of Franklin's portrait in case anyone desires it.

(In French.)

Caffiéri, Jean Jacques 1783 October 29 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 52.
to Benjamin Franklin

Report that the United States intends erecting a statue to Gen. Washington; if this is true, hopes he may obtain the commission.

(In French.)

Hodgson, William. London 1783 October 30 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 53.
to Benjamin Franklin

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Question of accounts and the balance due Franklin. If Congress should appoint a Consul for Great Britain, offers his services.

Schaffer, John. Paris 1783 October 30 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 54.
to Benjamin Franklin

Informed by his advocate of Franklin's promise to intercede with Mr. [Thomas] Barclay on his behalf. When arrested, the Inspector of Police left a man in his house to guard his goods; this person stole all that was left but he was arrested and is now in prison; begs Franklin's aid in the prosecution of this villain.

Lenoir, Jean-Charles-Pierre. Paris 1783 October 30 L.S. 2p. XXX, 55.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a young negro slave, Abigail, belonging to Mrs. Jay, who was arrested at Franklin's and her mistress's request; her unwillingness to return to her mistress; as she has no money, supposes Mrs. Jay will pay six sols a day for her food during her detention.
(In French.)

Vaughan, William. London 1783 October 31 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 56.
to Benjamin Franklin

His family's safe arrival at Philadelphia; their enjoyment of Mrs. [Richard] Bache's hospitality; her resemblance to Mrs. [Joseph] Priestley. Quotes from a letter of Miss [S.] Beckwith in which she mentions having two of Franklin's granddaughters in her house. Letters from Philadelphia speak of the displeasure occasioned by the English declaration of July 2d; laments the short-sighted policy of England. Dr. [Richard] Price communicated Franklin's description of the air balloons to the Club; is to give Dr. Price a meeting with Messrs. Jay and Adams; wishes Franklin could be present.

Schaffer, John. Paris 1783 October 31 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 57.
to Benjamin Franklin

Promising to repay Franklin's small advances before he leaves the country; desires a further loan of two louis in order to take the necessary steps against the person who stole his goods and clothes.

Rufin, Bernard. Passy 1783 October 31 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 58.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Recommending two strangers to Franklin's kindness, one a linguist, capable of fulfilling the duties of a house-steward, the other a printer; their wish to dedicate their talents to America.

(In French.)

Brillon, Mme to Benjamin Franklin	1783 October	Printed 1p.	XLIII, 6.
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Announcement of their daughter's marriage to M. Paris.

(In French.)

Crillon, Duc and Duchesse de to Benjamin Franklin	[1783. October.]	L. in 3d P. 1p.	XLI, 28.
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Requesting his presence at an entertainment followed by supper in honor of the birth of the two Royal children of Spain.

(In French.)

Boudinot, Elias. Princeton to Benjamin Franklin	1783 November 1	A.L.S. 7p.	XXX, 59.
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Refers to his last letters, enclosing the Ratification of the Treaty with Sweden and an Act of Congress for altering a few words in it. Arrival from Germany of the Baron de Beelen Bertholf and a Mr. De Boor, relative to a connection between their country and America; encloses the answer of Congress with a copy for himself. The plan of the Peace Establishment does not yet permit him to give the required information about the dismissal of Franklin's grandson; Franklin's enemies too few to prevent or delay America's gratitude. Probability of their employing two or three Ministers in Europe just as residents, leaving the other business to Consuls; economical measures necessary. Acknowledging the receipt of the medals; their distribution. Results of Franklin's approbation of the Rev. [Thomas] Wren's conduct. Expects to leave the Chair of Congress the next week and return to private life at Elizabethtown. Treaty of Denmark under consideration.

Strange, Isabella. London to Benjamin Franklin	1783 November 2	A.L.S. 1p.	XXX, 60.
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A packet for her friend, Mr. [James] Hunter, of [Richmond,] Virginia; hopes he will soon tell her how to forward her letters without imposing on his kindness.

Pierres, Philippe Denis	1783 November 3	A.L.S. 1p.	XXX, 63.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Sending the copies of which he spoke, also an attempt to print in gold; eager to inform Franklin of every step in his career.

(In French.)

Bondfield, John. Bordeaux 1783 November 4 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 64.
to Benjamin Franklin

Confined to his room by a broken arm, caused by a fall from his horse; will attend to Franklin's inquiries as soon as he is able. Question of allowing American merchants admission to the islands belonging to France; jealous of their sugar trade.

Brunville, ----- de Flaudre de. Paris 1783 November 4 L.S. 1p. XXX, 65.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acceding to Franklin's request to delay judgment in the case of M. [John] Schaffer, until Mr. [Thomas] Barclay's return from Nantes.

(In French.)

Barthold, A. and C. Vaucher 1783 November 4 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 66.
to Benjamin Franklin

Their desire to live under the flag of freedom; begging for a free passage.

(In French.)

Dessin, Pierre. Calais 1783 November 4 L.S. 3p. XXX, 67.
to Benjamin Franklin

Arrival of a large packet for Franklin which he will forward by the diligence; amount due him for expenses incurred.

(In French.)

Lavallée, N. Orleans 1783 November 4 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 68.
to Benjamin Franklin

Desiring to furnish America with a quantity of iron.

(In French.)

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Lamy, -----. Paris 1783 November 4 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 69.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to accept a copy of his work in which he has been fortunate enough to place the name of Washington.

(In French.)

Nirmont, -----. Paris 1783 November 4 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 70.
to Benjamin Franklin

His unfortunate situation without money or work; begs Franklin to procure him some employment in America.

(In French.)

Bache, Richard. Philadelphia 1783 November 5 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 71.
to Benjamin Franklin

Is sending two barrels of Newtown pippins, one barrel of chestnuts, a box of seeds and one of grafts; could not get a barrel of hickory nuts. Enclosing newspapers which will inform him of the unsettled state of their great folks who have been resolving and re-resolving on places for their permanent residence; they have lowered themselves much in the opinion of Americans.

Schaffer, John. Paris 1783 November 5 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 72.
to Benjamin Franklin

Thanking him for his offer to make him a small advance from time to time for his subsistence during his confinement; acknowledging his kindness in writing a few lines on his behalf to the King's Attorney.

Alexander, William. Nantes 1783 November 6 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 73.
to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging Franklin's favor of the 2d inst., covering a packet for the President of Congress; the two letters from a woman calling herself the widow of Mr. Sproul of Norfolk he leaves with Mr. [Jonathan] Williams [Jr.] to be returned if asked for; she is a bad woman with no mean talents of insinuation. Thanking Franklin for the recommendation to his friends; begs for a line to Mr. [Robert] Morris; expects to sail in two days.

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Esmangare, -----. Paris 1783 November 6 L.S. 3p. XXX, 74.
to Benjamin Franklin

Gives the desired information about the sailor, John Hammon; no proof of certain of his statements, but his conduct while in prison has been excellent; thinks it would be desirable to procure him a passage to America.

(In French.)

Aleume, -----. Paris 1783 November 6 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 74 1/2.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begs him to authenticate two powers of attorney.

(In French.)

Cadet de Vaux, Antoine-Alexis. Paris 1783 November 8 L.S. 1p. XXX, 75.
to Benjamin Franklin

Reminding Franklin of his promise to dine with him on the 12th, the day for their public meeting of the Academy.

(In French.)

Lacour, -----. La Rochelle 1783 November 8 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 76.
to Benjamin Franklin

His work in painting and faience; offers his services to the United States; question of his probable reception in America; hopes of forming an establishment there.

(In French.)

Houdon, Jean Antoine. Paris 1783 November 8 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 77.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning the book¹ relative to the casting of the statue of Louis XV, which M. Buf[f]on proposed to deliver to Franklin; offers his own copy, in case there may be some delay in obtaining the other.

(In French.)

Other Descriptive Information

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

1 Description des travaux qui ont précédé, accompagné et suivi la fonte en bronze d'un seul jet de la statue équestre de Louis XV. Dressée sur les mémoires de M. Lempereur, par M. Mariette, Paris, 1768.

Newenham, Sir Edward 1783 November 9 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 78.
to Benjamin Franklin

Victory for Mr. [Henry] Flood. Account of the Meeting of the Grand National Convention at the Royal Exchange; committee appointed to draw up a plan of reform; the Roman Catholics have abandoned, for the present, all pretences of obtaining votes; when Franklin has read the enclosed papers, begs him to send them to the Marquis de la Fayette.

Schaffer, John. Paris 1783 November 9 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 79.
to Benjamin Franklin

Reasons why he is desirous of having a trial as soon as possible.

Schaffer, John 1783 November 10 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 81.
to Benjamin Franklin

Urging Franklin to obtain a speedy trial for him; his health cannot stand the strain of prison life much longer.
(In French.)

Desfours, ----- l'aîné 1783 November 10 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 82.
to Benjamin Franklin

Writes again concerning a plan to make the United States a formidable rival of the European powers; will send it to him at his request.
(In French.)

Leidenthal, ----- de 1783 November 10 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 83.
to Benjamin Franklin

Believes his services will prove an acquisition to the United States; offers himself as their Minister at the Court of Saxony; enclosing a bill on the Baron d'Arendt due his friend Mr. Fritsch; asks if Franklin or some other Ambassador will undertake the payment.
(In French.)

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Collinson, Thomas. Southgate, Middlesex 1783 November 12 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 83 1/2.
to Benjamin Franklin

Account of the failure of the bank and his own ruin; his present residence in a small house in the country. Talk of Philosophical subjects; Mitchell's success with his large spectrum; size of the one effected by [Sir William] Herschel; suggests some experiments on stars with a prism; the wonderful nature of light; quotes Franklin's remark that there was nothing he was so much in the dark about as light; lacks knowledge of Herschel's experiments. Kindness of Sir Joseph Banks in offering him the use of his library. Marriage of his nephew, Tritton.

Mather, Samuel. Boston 1783 November 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 84.
to Benjamin Franklin

Being in his seventy-eighth year and thinking what he could do for the benefit and comfort of his country, decided to write *The Dying Legacy* which he now sends to Dr. Franklin; acknowledgment of it he received from the President of Congress.

Lenoir, Jean-Charles-Pierre 1783 November 13 L.S. 1p. XXX, 85.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending Franklin the necessary permission to obtain his books from the custom-house.
(In French.)

Grandais, ----- du Demaine 1783 November 13 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 86.
to Benjamin Franklin

Offers the homage of a young ecclesiastic; wishes to take charge of a young person's education; likelihood of the Americans sending their children to France to be educated; hopes Franklin will aid him.
(In French.)

Pecoul, ----- Paris 1783 November 14 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 87.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a debt due him by M. John Schaffer of Philadelphia, detained in the prisons of the Grand Chatelet; hears that Franklin has interested himself in this unfortunate and wishes to give his creditors their just dues; begs Franklin to take his case into consideration.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

(In French.)

Rouzier, ----- Montargis to Benjamin Franklin	1783 November 15	L.S. 2p.	XXX, 88.
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Account of his sufferings from gout; begs Franklin to aid him in regaining his health.

(In French.)

Malberg, -----Carré de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 November 16	A.L.S. 1p.	XXX, 89.
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Sending a work whose plan is new although its subject is old.

(In French.)

Wavran, abbé ----- to Benjamin Franklin	1783 November 16	L.S. 2p.	XXX, 90.
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Prevented by illness from sending Franklin his works; wrote to the Marquis de Condorcet, Secretary of the Academy of Sciences, proposing a discussion as to the true theory of electricity; by the experiments he has made along Franklin's line, is convinced of the falseness of the Abbé Nollet's theory; has received no answer from the Marquis; begs the favor of Franklin's protection.

(In French.)

Tugny, -----, chevalier de to Benjamin Franklin	1783 November 17	A.L.S. 2p.	XXX, 91.
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Desiring to know whether his plan of the 30th ult. failed to arrive or whether it was unworthy of Franklin's approbation.

(In French.)

Bevage, -----, abbé Canon of Nismes to Benjamin Franklin	1783 November 17	A.L.S. 3p.	XXX, 92.
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Enclosing a letter for [Henry] Laurens and begging him to read it before sending it on; it concerns Mr. Laurens's promise to solicit a higher rank for his brother, M. de la Boyère, Captain of a Soissonais regiment.

(In French.)

Brown, Walter. Newcastle-upon-Tyne	1783 November 17	A.L.S. 3p.	XXX, 93.
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Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

to Benjamin Franklin

Congratulating Franklin on the glorious liberty and independence of his country, in which he had so great a hand. His plan to establish a linen manufactory in America. Is the father of twenty-one children; anxious to provide for those still under his care and also to be useful to America, where he hopes in the future to lay his bones.

Mono, Joh Georg. Hochberg near

1783 November 18

A.L.S. 5p. XXX, 94.

Emmendingen

to Benjamin Franklin

Is a Lutheran minister and the father of five children; his third son desirous of trying his fortune in foreign lands; begs Franklin to either take him into his own service or find him some position in America; as he has no money, asks that his expenses may be defrayed.

(In Latin.)

Ingenhousz, Jan

1783 November 19

A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 95.

to Benjamin Franklin

Acknowledging Franklin's favor of Sept. 2d, 1783, with Mr. Samuel Wharton's enclosure and bill of exchange for £8,000; never received a number of Mr. Wharton's letters; gives directions how letters to Europe should be addressed. His interest in aerial balloons. Anxious to know if Franklin received his letter of August 15th. Expects his book to come out soon; M. Lavoisier's pamphlet on heat contains nothing similar to his work; has matter enough ready for a second volume of his book on vegetables; afraid of the delay in printing it. Desires to become a member of the [American] Philosophical Society of Philadelphia. Dutch hatred against England. Report of Mr. [Samuel] Wharton being in some difficulty about an immense tract of land he bought from the Indians.

Schaffer, John. Paris

1783 November 19

A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 96.

to Benjamin Franklin

Informed by his advocate that Franklin's son, William Temple, must write a line to deny having said that he (Schaffer) was a bad subject, etc. Mr. [William] Temple [Franklin]'s refusal to do this shows he must have said it; begs Franklin to procure this favor for him and to make him a small advance.

Bancroft, Edward Nathaniel. Chiswick

1783 November 19

A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 97.

to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

An account of their voyage to England and his father's departure for Philadelphia; his opinion of London and English food.

(In French.)

Cooper, Samuel. Boston 1783 November 20 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 98.
to Benjamin Franklin

Writes under great difficulties; ill in his room attended by two physicians; cannot allow the Chevalier de Born to depart without carrying his thanks to Franklin for introducing to him such an able and talented gentleman; when he is better, hopes to aid the Chevalier in his views in the Consular line. A.E. by Dr. Franklin. "The last letter from my dear friend Dr. Cooper, who died in January following."

Born, Ignace, chevalier de 1783 November 21 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 99.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to forward the enclosed letter to Professor Märter at Philadelphia, his pupil, disciple and friend; suggested his name to the Emperor for the voyage to America, on account of his discoveries in Natural History; the bearer is M. [Paul] Strattmann sent by the Emperor to buy a part of the Duc de la Vallière's library.

(In French.)

Lefebvre de Revel, -----, fils 1783 November 21 A.L.S. 1p. XXX, 100.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sent Franklin a memoir in the early part of October, concerning a request of the Neapolitan merchants for protection in the ports of the United States, where they propose to trade; begs for an answer.

(In French.)

St. Olympe, -----, chevalier de. Havre 1783 November 24 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 102.
to Benjamin Franklin

Takes advantage of his last moments in France to express his veneration and respect for Franklin.

(In French.)

Newenham, Sir Edward 1783 November 25 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 101.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Results of the Grand National Convention; believes they will obtain a real reform. Desires Franklin's advice concerning a separate and distinct treaty between Ireland and the United States. Their Parliament daily sinking in the estimation of the public and with good reason; gives an account of their proceedings.

Rousseau, Jean. London 1783 November 25 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 103.
to Benjamin Franklin

Has heard much of the jealousy in America as to the choice of a place for the sessions of Congress; advises their not sitting permanently in one place, but alternately in each of the thirteen provinces; hopes the idea will prove useful.
(In French.)

Guffroy, Armand Benoit Joseph. Arras 1783 November 25 A.L.S. 4p. XXX, 104.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning a request of the Chevalier du Richebourg for his share of the prize-money during his service in Commodore Jones's squadron on board the "Vengeance"; account of the fruitless efforts made by the Chevalier to obtain his just dues.
(In French.)

Guyon, ----- 1783 November 27 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 105.
to Benjamin Franklin

His miserable condition; is sixty-one years old; lost his wife, after fifteen months' illness, and later his position as Receiver-General of Finances; there is still left him a little girl, an idiot; gives a minute account of the way the child was affected from infancy [2p.]; throws himself on Franklin's kindness.
(In French.)

Court de Gébelin, Antoine 1783 November 28 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 106.
to Benjamin Franklin

Sending some tickets for the meeting at the Museum on December 4; their entire Society will be most flattered by Franklin's presence; their hope of bringing out a volume of memoirs during the winter; will be glad if Franklin would contribute to this first volume. Recommending his friend, M. Dupuis, an architect, who wishes to dedicate to the Queen his latest work, a plan for a magnificent play-house; begs Franklin's influence in his favor with the Comte de Vaudreuil.

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

(In French.)

Menier de Saint Yver, ----- 1783 November 28 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 107.
to Benjamin Franklin

Franklin's abandonment of M. [John] Schaffer will plunge another family into misery; has no reason to defend Schaffer, but firmly believes him the victim of others; the interpretation which will be put upon Franklin's attitude; M. Schaffer's downfall will carry him with it; begs Franklin to have pity on him and his family.

(In French.)

Banks, Sir Joseph. London 1783 November 28 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 108.
to Benjamin Franklin

Concerning [Joseph Michel] Montgolfier's experiments; account of the ascent of a balloon in Sussex.

Bibliography

Douglas, Katharine Sproale 1783 November 28 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 109.
to Benjamin Franklin

Expressions of the deepest gratitude for what Franklin has done for Miss Maxwell and for herself; hopes that she and her seven children will obtain their just claim on Virginia property.

Chaumont, Jacques-Donatien Leray de, 1783 November 28 1p. XXX, 110.
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to Benjamin Franklin

A bill for candles.
(In French.)

Le Roy, Jean Baptiste 1783 November 29 A.L.S. 2p. XXX, 111.
to Benjamin Franklin

Begging Franklin to grant an interview to M. du Trône, a young physician for whom he has already written two letters of recommendation to friends in Philadelphia.

(In French.)

Grand, Ferdinand 1783 November 29 L. in 3d P. 2p. XXX, 112.
to Benjamin Franklin

Letters to Benjamin Franklin.

Sending a copy of a decree of Council concerning the cash discount; explaining the rights this gives the shareholders.

(In French.)

Kéralio, Agathon Guynement, chevalier 1783 November 30 A.L.S. 3p. XXX, 113.

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to Benjamin Franklin

Introducing M. de Gourdon, who has served with him in the Military School and is the kind of Frenchman Franklin likes. His reasons for thinking there will be no war in the East; quotes from a St. Petersburg letter, showing that in case Prince Potemkin should die of his illness, the Empress would decide for peace.

(In French.)
