Robert C. Livingston to John Kean, April 17, 1789

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Dear Sir,

Gentleman who are you? Where do you reside? and on what, if any, account you write with me?

On the 17th March I shipped your furniture on Board Capt. Snell consigned to Mr. A. Chastoin and wrote you fully relative to it on or before above.

Your Indigo remains unsold—no offer has been made for it—there is a quantity at market and no purchases.

I send by Capt. Elliot a Bar of Cider received from Mr. Livingston which the enclosed letter will further mention.

Mr. Seagrove mentions to me the 100 acres on Hutchinson’s Island to be sold for £600—where Mr. Egleigh thinks there is not sufficient to make it an object for me. The unfavorable season is approaching with such rapid strides that I think it most proper to postpone my visit till next year. This 100 acres is of the best quality and might be productive in proportion to the capital invested.

The family of Elizabeth is well. I have the Honor to be with Respect to your most humble serv.

[Signature]

John Renn Cnr.
May do you retain your Health? I you do not mention avoid
on this subject as I am anxious to be informed that your Health is
not impaired.

Mr. & Mrs. Eustis return to Charleston. His Health is not
established. I fear the consequence he as he cannot be prevailed on
to continue there.

Mr. Pickets made a mistake when he thought the House in Hanover
Square was let for £200 — the misfortune is, it is not let yet.

There are very few houses to be let at present — a multitude of
Strangers in Town — many of whom, longing after places under
the new government —

The General daily expected.

The House of Representatives are arranging the Import. The Duties
they have in contemplation are things are higher than can be
collected —

Excuse my prolixity

A considerable quantity of indigo of different qualities was
yesterday offered at Public Sale (by tender) who could not get an
offer for it — the if was the time he began a tinder with.

I am told Mr. Montgomery intends to visit here and this summer
Col. Lewis & his Lady going to Clementmont for the season.