

little ones. I remain, my dear Father, until I have the pleasure of seeing you

Your sincere and affectionate daughter,
Catherine Hamilton.

PROGRESS OF THE CONTINENTAL WAR

London 24^h June 1794

Dear Sir: I wrote you 10th February & 10th April, to which I refer you. By Letters from Niagara of 29th March I had the pleasure to hear that sometime previous M^r Hamilton had letters saying our Detroit friends were well, and tho' there are letters from your post of 31st January from others I have none from my brother—this coupled with his former remissness continues my uneasiness; but as I have before solicited you to inform me with candour as a friend to what I am to ascribe this, I wait in hopes of a satisfactory elucidation.

On the subject of business, it is hardly necessary for me to take up your time, as M^r Todd has not long since made you acquainted with what relates to furs and I can say nothing agreeable or encouraging on that topic in addition. On the subject of politics, I shall be very brief, having sent the news papers by this opportunity to my brother who will no doubt afford you the reading of them. The war continues to rage on the continent of Europe with unexampled fury: the various skirmishes & battles that have been fought, since the opening of the campaign, exceed in point of obstinacy & bloodshed, for so short a period, any thing in ancient or modern history! At first success seemed rather to attend the efforts of the allies, whose favourite object was to penetrate to Paris—they however had proceeded no further than Landrecy (& every foot they gained was well disputed) which they took after a short resistance, when the duke of York was obliged suddenly to return to the assistance of Gen^l Clairfait whose army in the mean time had been routed with great slaughter loss of artillery &c and the important towns of Menin & Cambray taken by the French under Pichegru. Measures