

seed cont^g 33 $\frac{3}{8}$ Bushels. out of this M^r Selby must have two Bushels. I shall forward on an Additional Quantity for yourself with a little for Captⁿ M^cKee, & the Clover Seed, which will be taken up by Captⁿ Mills's or some other vessel.

We have accounts from England to the 11th of August at which time nothing of moment had Occurred, it is however generally believed that Our present Ministry will not suffer the Energies & resources of the Nation to be consumed & dissipated in Idle Pomp & Parade. Expeditions are talkd of in the best informed Circles, & I think it not unlikely that we shall attempt in France, what Buonaparte has long boasted he would do in England. Notwithstanding the Servility & Abject State of the press in that Country it requires but little Sagacity to discover the general discontent & horror with which the daring Usurpation of the French Throne by a Sanguinary Tyrant is viewed by the great Mass of the People, & although Some might Consider my Ideas Extravagant, I will insist that if the Bourbon princes were to land in the West of France accompanied even by Such an Army as we Could Spare, M^r Buonaparte's power would soon totter to the foundation the great Mass of the people are from principle attached to the House of Bourbon & only require the presence of the princes of that House with an Army to Support them, to rally round them & assist in driving out the Wretches who have So long disgraced France by their Enormities.

We seem to look with great Confidence to an Offensive and Defensive Alliance with Russia & Sweden. Such a Measure by placing at our disposal a large & well disciplin'd Army would very Soon restore the Ancient Government of France, & Consequently Adjust the Balance of Power on the Continent.

My time since the Arrival of the English Goods has been Constantly Employed without intermission & this is almost the only leisure day I have had these Two Months past. the season is now however fast approaching when I shall have rather more leisure than I wish for. Solitude is to me a most insupportable State, & was it not for the few Books