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Dear Monsieur Guizot,
I have sometimes been
inclined, to resort upon
you, your "Lith me me-
prise" & to tell you your
views on Englishmen.
But on the whole, and
the grace with which you
add a delicate kindness
to a substantial benefit,
forces me to renounce
all, claimed to you as a
countryman. I need not
attempt to describe the
pleasure you gave me, because
you understood it when
you wrote those few

second side I had in my letter.
I want to say - I mean
don't off the ^{other} ~~other~~ ^{side} ~~side~~

I've. I must tell you
a message from that jovial
son of the Anglican Church
George Smith. He said with
great earnestness & emphasis
telling me that I have put
down in Washington, & that
in our life, I never read
any thing convincing more
plain, fact, sense, judgment
& that is precisely Lord
Grey's opinion. ~~Exaggerate~~

I don't know if this
is worth much to you - but
by a fastidious critic
- you may like to hear these
opinions - I signed on Sat 9

at Lord Langdale's. I
had seen him here in
the house of Lords, where
I heard the Queen's speech,
& we looked with blank
astonishment at each other
at the omission. He spoke
of it again on Sat 12 with great
content. He talked of your
(of course). He said, "the
American people, it is not
the fortifying Maine - nobody
would care about that -
it is the armament - the
same name put on a war
establishment. That is what
makes people uneasy, & will
keep them so." I told you this
because you may like
to know what is thought

to the state of peace & of
the government. But Adm.
you are you - Adm.
the state of peace & of
the government. But Adm.
that it could be impossible
to maintain the shipping, impeded
by war, without allowing
some kind.

you from my heart -
I am sure that there is the
most universal confidence
in your wisdom & in your
ability & that the extreme
patriotism of the English people
will maintain on that
confidence. Every body
believes that you will do
the best you can. As to the
conduct of those you have
to manage, people differ widely
according to the strength of

4 miles

And as if the death
had not ~~been~~ ^{enough} enough
in his army, while
as & those all time -
we must forgive them
for him! Thanks to the
God of Mercy, & under
him to you, we are
I trust spared this crime.
I hope you are satisfied
with Mr. Robt. Peel's speech
& tolerably with the Duke's.
I am afraid you may have
expected ~~unutterable~~ ^{unutterable} joy
& satisfaction here. Depend
upon it Mr. Robt. speaks

the language of the
white middle class
in England - & nearly
in England. Nobody but
Americans, born and bred
in fact, ever attempted
to defend the work of
the 1850s. Miss Perry
who sees every body
in the past, told me
she had heard but one
opinion - one feeling of
indignation. We all pray
for you - receive you &
love you. That is the real
English sentiment. Will

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you believe me? You
know I do not flatter
my countrymen. But
there is, I am confident
no sarcasm against them
here - & if that dear
naughty child, the French
nation, would ~~not~~ have
made a little less noise
this would have been
more evident.

In Germany indeed -
and in the other affairs
- but even that would
wear out. The French can
conquer any people
if they will.

Forgive me, dear Sir
this torment of impetu-
siveness. At least let
me not add with, or
allow ^{you} to think that
you are bound to ~~the~~
the least notice of it
except for my poor
suppliants sake -
even for her, if I
have trespass'd too far,
forgive me, for the sake
of my loyal attachments
to France & allow me to
add, my affectionate &
profound respect for her brother
& citizen. Dear Sir
-

Forgive me, dear Sir
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the least notice of it.
- except for my poor
suppliants' sake -
even for her, if I
have trespasses too far,
forgive me, for the sake
of my loyal attachments
to France & allow me to
add, my affectionate &
profound respect for her be-
son & citizen. Sincerely
Sincerely

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their prejudices. —
You may like to know that
my brother, Philip Taylor,
who has long been esta-
blished as an engineer at
Marseille, writes that every
opinion he hears is pacific,
& that the citizens of Marseille
complain bitterly of being
misrepresented by the press.
All his workmen are French,
& even Provençaux (I hope you
accept the compliment!)
It is impossible to find
greater harmony & attachment.

I am sorry Mr. Conin
tells about 'le bas empire'.
All that is nonsense. Who
can find the least shadow

in analogy? Who does
not see that France cannot
move hand or foot without
checking Europe from end
to end? Who doubts her
own power to do
violence to all her neighbors?
Is it like those attempts
to disfigure the ancient people
of people individuals or nations
in allusions & phrases
referring to when they are
false & absurd.

Pardon those in hand and
you a woman - but when
the will of millions is
as above I am subject to
comportance - which are not
pretty. Have you seen

the evidence given by
Messrs J. D. Home (of the Treasury)
& Mr. Geyer, on protecting
duties - ~~tariffs~~ ^{tariffs} &c? If not
desire (Recue for me) to
send it to you. It is in the
highest degree valuable &
important.

I take for granted, dear
Sir, that somebody here is
capable to send you every
thing of this kind. I would
~~be~~ be ridiculous in case
to offer - but you know you
may command any service
it is in my small ability
to perform.

Again & again accept
my most cordial thanks
& believe me with true

most respectful attentions
Yours S Austin.

My husband is tolerably
well & sends the most
respectful greetings to you.

Feb. 22, 1841

I am going to Patterson
tomorrow with Mr. C. Leavenworth.
The little boy you admired
(do you remember the little ones
cent cherub face?) is quite well,
very good, & of surprising
intelligence. He has not lost his
innocent look.