

es. I have something of a smattering of philosophy, and understand human nature in all its stages tolerably well ; am thoroughly acquainted with your national crimes, and assure you that they not only cry aloud for Heaven's vengeance, but excite mankind to rise up against you. Virtue, wisdom and policy are, in a national sense, always connected with power, or in other words, power is their offspring, and such power as is not directed by virtue, wisdom and policy, never fails finally to destroy itself as yours has done.— It is so in the nature of things, and unfit that it should be otherwise ; for if it was not so, vanity, injustice, and oppression, might reign triumphant forever. I know you have individuals, who still retain their virtue, and consequently their honor and humanity. Those I really pity, as they must more or less suffer in the calamity, in which the nation is plunged headlong ; but as a nation I hate and despise you.

My affections are Frenchified.—I glory in Louis the sixteenth, the generous and powerful ally of these states ; am fond of a connection with so enterprizing, learned, polite,

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