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TO

SIR HENRY MARTIN, BART.

MY DEAR SIR HENRY,

There is no person, whom, with more perfect satisfaction to myself, I can invite to accompany me in the prophetic consideration of a very important subject, THE REVIVAL OF THE FRENCH EMPERORSHIP.

From our frequent correspondence, I am assured of your deep interest in it: and our long friendship has taught me to appreciate the soundness of your judgment.

Through a love to my country, the topic is, to me, one of deep interest: and I well know that it is scarcely less so to yourself.