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Paris the 9<sup>th</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> M<sup>o</sup>. M<sup>o</sup>. 1828.

Dear and most ill: Bro<sup>r</sup>. S. J. S. Gourgas, for: P. O: S. A: E: &  
The last favour I have received from you is under the date of the 15<sup>th</sup> of May  
past. P: S: annexed to the present you will find the translation of my corre-  
spondence with the president of the Supreme council of the Rites of the G: E: O: P:  
on Jo. C. affair, you will remark by his answer to me, the unwillingness of the big  
men of the G: E: O: P: to take up that affair for examination, you can write to them  
a thousand times on that subject I warrant you that you never shall receive a syll-  
able of answer, they have been taken in by the imposter and his friends, and are  
sticking to him, because they are all Stacquet's men, and what H: hath done is  
correct and very well done, Blindfolded they are unable to discern the true light with  
the false one, look at the list of the Foreign G: E: corresponding with the G: E: O:  
of France you will see by it, what is called here the G: E: O: of New York and charleston  
and they say that they don't know or will know any other right ones, to persuade  
them now the contrary is not an easy matter, the imposter has been let loose too  
long and you have been too much a sleeping body he has taken the lead of us  
and has cut the grass under your feet, the business now is very hard and difficult  
to be managed, so much the more, because masonry is here in a very degenerate  
situation, very much uncultivated, and unrespected, by the old pure masons, the pre-  
sent leaders are men of no instruction at all they are only pleased with big names  
don't know what is the regularity and honour of the Craft, they desire nothing else  
but honours and pantomimes, for the remainder they don't care much, the great  
masonic body of France is nothing else now than an Egyptian pyramid of  
confusion in which every sharp intriguer is a, Patent master, and candidly  
I will tell you that I believe that I have no great prospect to be able to bring him to  
his due sense...

Most all the great officers of the G: E: are at this time at their country  
seats attending the Crop, nothing can be done for the present, but by the end of the  
next month they will return to the city, then I will try to set up again the affair  
but don't expect much success, to be mistaken I wish, but at any rate I won't give  
up what I have set up, and will support the truth until the last, I know my ground  
stronger I am than them, an old hard stone which they can bite and if I fall  
upon them I will bruise them, the H: band here is no better than Jo. C. band in  
New York, what do they since the departure of their celebrated commander? in pro-  
per time I will inform you how the matter stands.  
I send you Doberney's manifeste it is the only one I possess the others one I have  
given here, the learned men of the East call it a Libel

Stacquet hath left Paris to go to reside in his native place in the country of  
Perigord for the benefit of his health, and his pocket, he is an old perishing  
machine and don't believe he will ever able to visit again the G: E: O: P: -  
that's a blasing star lost for that firmament, Jo. C. is now without a rep-  
resentant here, but surely by H: he is recommended to some of his friends -

Sensible ~~to~~ very much I am to the Remembrance of  
our Honourable Brethren be pleased to present to them at your next  
meeting my Salutations, and Gratitude -

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Remember my friendship to your good family  
may the g. d. o. t. v. pour on ye all his  
best blessings and a stout health and prosperity

Your Brother forever

A. L. Moret

A. L. Moret, Paris  
To George 1828  
Relating to Ceylone.  
4 letters.