

12th May 1820 Charleston -

To J. J. George - Esq. -

Mr. J. J. George your valued package <sup>of May 1st</sup> has been safely received by Saluda - for which I beg you would receive my thanks - The letter about de Grasse is really a curiosity - A gentleman from Paris told me that he lived by making Masons clandestinely - I don't believe he will receive any thing from Congress - for many a native American has tried to receive bread from that body - who toiled & dy'd and then left the Army to experience all the disagreeables of poverty.

The copy of Mr. Whiting's letter shall be shortly returned as also a previous translation of Mr. Moret's letter - I have heard nothing the scene of the perjured political characters of the West - (literally a place of darkness) - even Child's Masonic Record seems to have yielded up to the torrent - I have had none for 8 weeks - and fear I shall have to pay back the Money to those who subscribed and paid in advance - and which Money I had forwarded to Albany - I rejoice at the wise Silence which, under the heaviest provocation and insults, and when persons set up themselves to be both judges and executioners, and to deprive a large portion of their fellow citizens of their rights & privileges,

men who arrogate to themselves all honor and honesty  
and can find none in their neighbors - a combination  
to overturn with the same motives that actua-  
ted Shilly, LeBold in overthrowing the Templars  
under such circumstances it certainly requires a  
great share of forbearance and magnanimity to not  
make some reply - as it is - the renegados who now  
figure so ostentatiously will soon be scorned and des-  
pised by every good member of society - as well might  
the frail sisters in New York get together and resolve  
that it is more honorable to be a w - c than to be a  
married woman - and also by a resolution - invite every  
honest female to be as vile as themselves - I once  
thought to parody their resolves, and turn upon the  
perjurers Barnard, Stearn, & Company their very lan-  
guage - but I thought a patient silence was more  
masonic, and so I tore up my paper -

Of Br Barker I have heard nothing since  
20th October last - he did not go home last win-  
ter at all - many of his friends fear he is dead -

Much praise is due for your prompt & judicious  
attention to get our Supreme Councils properly no-  
ticed at Paris - J.C. never got his notice except by  
G. Hacquet - and if we are put in his place - poor  
J.C. and Peter Javain are done over forever -

With a grateful sense for the many and  
repeated favors received - I have the honor to remain  
Yours faithfully W. H. Brooks

Chancellor  
19th May 1828  
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(he was not dead)



Charleston

S. C.

12<sup>th</sup> May 1828.

Profrs Holbrook

Recd 23<sup>d</sup>

Banker

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To J. J. Young, Esq.  
Merchant,  
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