

My dear Henry,

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I have received your letter requesting me to give some information respecting the organization of the Institute of France and I should be happy in doing so did I possess any information beyond that which you already possess. All that I have seen published goes no further than the distribution of the Institutes into Academies, and I presume every thing else is regulated by their bye laws for the interior proceedings which are either not published, or if published had never not fallen under my observation. W Du Ponceau of this City is a corresponding Member of one of the Academies and perhaps may be able to impart to me the information you ask. I shall take an opportunity of applying to him and if successful shall send you any communication he may be able to make -

Your Aunt's health is considerably improved since her return to the United States and I begin to hope she may regain her former state - She however still very weak, and will for some time require the attention and care - I fear she will not be long in enjoying the strong desire she feels to visit her family this Spring - She cannot bear the fatigue of a long drive across the