

Sir

Boston. 24. March. 1800.

I am requested by the Committee for publication of the Historical Society to express to you their acknowledgments, for your ~~to~~ commencement of your very valuable communication, and to ask, whether the following title will meet your ideas. "A History and description of the Town of Salem by the Rev<sup>d</sup> William Bentley" —————

To this <sup>or</sup> any other title, you will be pleased to annex such other personal titles, by which you are customarily distinguished.

As the Committee rely much upon this work of yours to give value & lustre to the present volume, they intend to check the press, in order to gratify the public with it entire. They would therefore be obliged if the whole could be completed within three weeks —

I am Sir, with great respect  
Your most obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

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