Memorandum - Louisiana

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May 1st 1803 Sunday.

accompanied my colleague to the Palace of the Louvre, where I was presented by him to the Consul; while standing in the circle I r--cd [received] a communication by the prefect of the palace, from the minister, stating that he was indisposed, but that I must present the Consul my letter of credence, & that the Consul de--sired I wod [would] dine with him.

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Consul observed that he was glad to see me. "Je suis bien de le voir. You have been here 15 days, I told him I had - "You speak French," I replied "A little." "You had a good voyage," "Yes." "You came in a frigate" no, in a merchant vessel charged for the purpose." Col: [Colonel] Mercer was presented; says he he is Secry [Secretary] of legation "no but my friend". He then made enquiries of Mr. Livingston & his secry [secretary] how their families were; and then turned to Mr. Living--ston & myself & observed that our affrs [affairs] shod [should] be settled.

We dined with him. After dinner when we retired into the saloon, the first Consul came up to me and asked whether the federal city grew much, I told him it did. How many in habitants has it? It is just commencing, there are two cities near it, one above, the other below, on the two cities with the federal city great river Potomack [Potomac], which ^ if counted ^ would make a respectable town, in itself it contains only two or three thousand inhabitants; Well; Mr Jefferson, how old is he? Abt. [about] sixty. Is he married or single; he is not married - then he is a garçon [boy], no he is a widower; Has

## two daughters

he children? Yes ^ who are married. Does he reside always at the fedl [federal] city, generally. Are the publick [public] buildings there commodious, those for the Congrefs [Congress] and President especially? They are. You the Americans did brilliant things in your war with En--gland, you will do the same again. We shall I am persuaded always behave well when it shall be

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our lot to be in war. You may probably be in war with them again. I replied I did not know, that that was an important question to decide when there wod [would] be an occasion for it.

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