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Wm M Darlington Esq  
Dear Sir

Robert Clarke has to day informed me that you possess Marquis Lezay Marnesia "Lettre a M Andriani negociant a Pittsbourg" containing the details of the residence of the Marquis in this Country.

I am very anxious to see that brochure as I have been for some time collecting materials to write the history of the French Settlers at Gallipolis O. of whom the Marquis was one of the principal men. And Robert Clarke bade me say to you that should you send the book to him he would guarantee its safe return to you in the same condition as when you sent it. I have "Lettres Ecrites des rives de l'Ohio par Ch. Fr. Ad de Lezay Marnesia Citoyen de Pensylvanie. au Fort Pitt et se trouvent a Paris Chez Proult Imprimeur Rue Joranne No 749 à l'Inventivité. Paris de la Republique



This letter a *man* *andriani* would supply a missing link, and greatly aid me. If you would have the kindness to inform me who *man* *andriani* was and what his history I would most sincerely thank you.

There is another pamphlet which I should like very much to see. The title is "Voyages, adventures and Situation of the French Emigrants from the year '89 to '99 by a lady. Lexington Ky" This is by a *mons* or *madame* Mentelle wife of *mons* Waldemar Mentelle who published in the American Pioneer Vol. 1. page 182. an account of the Colonists of Gallipolis O. Both *mons* and *mad.* Mentelle are long since dead but I have had a correspondence with their daughter the widow of Thomas H Clay son of Henry Clay. She told me that her mother wrote the pamphlet but that she cannot find a copy.

I have tried long and perseveringly to obtain a sight of either of these books, and Mr Clarke who has is as much interested as I am has lent his aid, and when Mr P Thomson Mr Clarkes Clerk told me that you had the letter a *man* *andriani* I greatly rejoice

Yours respectfully

John M Newton

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P.S. I suspect that the Editor of the Biographie  
Universelle has the name of the person to whom the  
Marequis addressed his letter, <sup>wrongly printed. I think it</sup> was M. Audrain  
Not Andriani because at the "End of his lettres  
Écrites des rives de l'Ohio" He advises his son to whom  
the letter is written to always be grateful to M  
Audrain and recounts the obligations which he is  
under to that gentleman - Can you give me  
any information of the Audrain family?

J.M.N.

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