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Dear friend

I have received yours inclosing Mr Duncombe's benefaction, for which I beg you would return him my thanks, which I hope to do in person ere long.

I forgot to send the inclosed along with my Paper for the Royal Society, and must give you another trouble to deliver this to D^r Heberden,² or Mr Planta.³ Yesterday I sent a parcell to Mr Johnson,⁴ containing <u>De Lolme</u>⁵ for Mr Payne,⁶ and a <u>Postscript</u> to my former Paper for the Royal Society. I have now completed an important, and I believe decisive set of experiments, and they will lead to several others.

I am glad to find by yours that you have some hopes of D^r Price.⁷ May they be confirmed.

I am just setting out for Heath, but shall, if all be well, return tomorrow. Joseph⁸ is exceedingly ?— happy in his prospects at Manchester, but I hear nothing from his uncle. He is certainly much irritated; but he has behaved kindly, and we cannot blame ourselves.

I hope you will send my <u>Sermon</u>¹⁰ soon. Mr Hawks¹¹ is just come to breakfast with me, so I must conclude

yours & M^{rs} Lindsey's most affectionately J Priestley

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¹ Henry Duncombe (1728-1818), see 24 May 1790.

² William Heberden (1710-1801), see 18 Nov 1789.

³ Joseph Planta (1744-1827), see 18 Feb 1791.

⁴ Joseph Johnson (1738-1809), see 18 Jan 1770.

⁵ Jean Louis De Lolme, *The History of the Flagellants* (London, 1776).

⁶ Thomas Payne (1752-1831), see 23 Feb 1791.

⁷ Richard Price (1723-1791), see 18 Dec 1769.

⁸ Joseph Priestley jnr. (1768-1863), see 12 Oct 1789.

⁹ John Wilkinson (1728-1808), see 17 May 1786.

¹⁰ Priestley, The Proper Objects of Education in the Present State of the World: represented in a Discourse, delivered on Wednesday, April 27, 1791, at the Meeting-House in the Old-Jewry, London; to the Supporters of the New College at Hackney (London, 1791).

¹¹ William Hawkes (1731-1796), see 5 Jul 1786.