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Dudley Chase

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Washington June 4 19th 1814

Dear George

Hurried beyond patience with the
labour of answering a thousand letters of business
that are piled in heaps before me, I snatch a
moment ^{from} the hours devoted to the people's concerns
just to acknowledge your favor of 12th inst^t
and to assure you of the pleasure its
recussal afforded me.

Let the ashes of your Dr. W. expedition sleep
in peace & oblivion - Yet from its relics may
spring a Phoenix that will devour the parent
project.

The wise Senate first chose the Pres^r Mr.
Glendy of Baltimore, who declined, and then
was chosen that rare man Sumner. The
first I knew of him was that he was voted
for by a number of gentlemen in balloting
for Chaplin to fill the place vacated by
Glendy's refusal to accept. A number of
ballotings took place before a choice was made.
The first petition he put up was that "the Ld &
would give the Senators & Representatives that wisdom
of which they so eminently stood in need."

Adieu - In great haste

Yours most affectionately

W. George Chace

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