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The Committee to whom was referred a letter of the
Aforesd. last from the Minister Henrion at the
C^t. of Versailles etc. Report

That the Minister Plenipotentiary for negotiating peace
be instructed, in ~~any~~ ^{which may} commercial stipulations with G-Britain
~~which may~~ be comprehended in a Treaty of peace, to endeavor
to obtain for the Citizens & inhabitants of the U.S. a direct
commerce to all parts of the British dominions & possessions
in like manner as all parts of the U.S. ^{may} be open'd to a
direct commerce of British subjects; or at least that such
direct commerce be extended to all parts of the British do-
minions & possessions in Europe & the West Indies; and the
said Ministers are informed that this stipulation will
be particularly expected by Congress in case the Citizens
& subjects of ~~the~~ ^{each} party are to be admitted to an
equality in matters of commerce with natives of the
other party.