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or in public situations, it requires much prudence not
to increase one's own difficulties, - unreasonable and
wicked men are to be found every where, more or less,
but in N. S. states, are they not to be expected? Our
Government in its very nature, is one of the most
arbitrary and despotic in the world. Men are generally
disposed to exercise all the Authority that the Law invests
them with to the utmost extent. and especially in a
New Country where there are no established good
customs to counteract the natural Pride, State, and Despotism
of the human mind - you must always expect to hear
both evil and good Reports from this Country of those
who are in Connection with the Society - but you
will I have no doubt, make proper allowances for the
Spirit of Enmity. I trust I shall always study to keep
my Conscience void of offence towards God and man;
and give the enemy no just cause to blaspheme -
I wish to observe that my Communications to you
must appear very irregular - but this I cannot avoid.
I am compelled for want of time to catch at every