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Dear Father,

Your letter duly read, I am not surprised at its contents, since a talk with Rittenhouse last week, he tells me that through Sid Alexander he learns that the financial condition of N. C. is simply unprecedented, & puts the question—where will it lead, & to what will it lead? I confess my absolute inability to answer the question. It does seem to me that the questions of trade & finance are no longer political, but moral, & that the whole power of the pulpit (it certainly has a power) should be used to put it in this light.

These preachers go through the world

with their impractical talk such as
"forget self, live for one another, &
cultivate the higher, the inner, the nobler
& the spiritual part of man". But sup-
pose a heaver should reply-"I have no
time to think of these things, all my
waking & many of my-ought-to-be-sleep-
ing moments are devoted exclusively to
the solving of that important & intensely
practical question How am I to get
bread for my family. If I stop to
think of this higher self, which so far
as I know needs no food, my family
starve, & to allow this you say is a
great crime. It is possible for the
Spirit of God to enter into a house
with a dung floor & a thatch roof,
but It is more likely to remain in
one with a tile floor & walls of tapestry,
since people in that condition of life
can give some time to the thoughts

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of a self that has not to be fed, with
that food which owing to unjust laws
is so expensive to produce, & which
after production can be sold only at a
loss; or of a self that has not to be
clothed with the products of labor with
the products of labor ^{which} owing to the
unjust laws governing them, throw the
entire profits of their manufacture into
the hands of a few, go preach to the
few wealthy & tell them law makers,
telling them that they are alone re-
sponsible for that moral degradation
touching which you speak so plainly to
us - the poor, the vast majority, & con-
cerning which you best intimate, when
speaking to the favored few." What
we want are honest men, but I suppose

I am but wasting breath in so speaking.
Indeed I am truly sorry to hear of
your loss & regret more than I can
ever tell my inability to afford you
all the assistance, you should ever
need, but as you know I have truly
little that I can give with us I
wish, I too am short, but I
have arranged to have you draw im-
mediately for \$50⁰⁰, & the balance, I
must be able to send in a few
days. Your express fears that many
will bite the dust ere Spring, are
you not crediting many with more
than they possess. A man I should
think would not sell another out, if
there was no money to buy that which
he had to offer for sale.

Love to all, hastily & affly,

Geo. I was much pleased with Holmes, ~~Mr.~~

He is very interesting. Heaven I was unfortunate
enough to miss.