

## Thomas Jefferson to Daniel Carroll, January 27, 1792, from Thomas Jefferson and the National Capital. Edited by Saul K. Padover.

Jefferson to Daniel Carroll THOMAS JEFFERSON TO DANIEL CARROLL

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Be pleased to consider this letter as from one private individual to another. The conduct of the agents who ought to be subordinate is properly viewed here. . . In the mean time the President apprehends that accident or malice may throw down the stakes by which the lots are marked on the ground and thus a whole summer's work be lost. He thinks the attention of one person might be savingly employed in a daily visit to these stakes; and fastening such as may be getting loose or replacing those which may be withdrawn. I have thought it not improper to suggest this to you and am with great esteem,

*Dear Sir* —.

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