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My dear Commodore.

I did not reply to your letter at Austin, because I hoped to give you good news — and delayed it until after I get home — The Joint Resolution concerning the Navy passed and you can get a copy from the Sec of State. I need have sent you a copy but I knew that Rusk would not return to the Senate for the session, and without him I knew you could do nothing — The Resolutions passed without opposition. Your Bill for moneys advanced, was called up by Brown of Galveston, and failed to pass: for really none of us knew anything about the claim and were not able to explain it. Dr. Smith was out of the House, but had also forgot pretty much all about them, if you had been there there would have been no difficulty in passing it — You had better present the