

Imprint No.: **1781.001**

Short Title: **Circular Letter concerning Acts of October 1780.**

Author: Jefferson, Thomas (1743-1826), governor.

Title: In council, January 19, 1781. Sir, the invasion of our country by the enemy at the close of the late session of assembly, their pushing immediately to this place, the dispersion of the public papers, which for the purpose of saving them necessarily took place, and the injury done at the printing office, have been so many causes operating unfortunately to the delay of transmitting you those acts of assembly which required immediate execution. ...

Place Issued: Richmond

Issuing Press: Dixon & Nicolson

Description: 1 sheet [1 pg.]; 34 cm. by 21 cm. (broadside).

Notes: Imperfect impression led Evans to date this as January 13; Swem reports January 19 from an entry in the journal of the Council of State, hence date and title transcription here.

Library of Congress copy is signed in manuscript: "Th. Jefferson."

Sheet lacks printer credit; after the government of Virginia relocated to Richmond in 1780, it depended on the press of John Dixon and Thomas Nicolson until April 1781. John Dunlap and James Hayes were appointed as Virginia's public printers in November 1780, but several war-time incidents kept them from printing in Richmond until December 1781; Dunlap & Hayes conducted some public business in Charlottesville during the government's western exile in the summer of 1781. o the new firm of Thomas Nicolson and William Prentis was engaged to cover their work until late 1781.

IVP Associated Names: John Dixon (140); Thomas Nicolson (315)

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