

# Book Dedication by Thomas Jefferson to the Library of the College of William and Mary

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## Descriptive Summary

### Unit ID

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### Unit ID

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### Creator

Jefferson, Thomas, 1743-1826

### Extent

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### Repository

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## Biographical Information:

Thomas Jefferson was born in 1743 in Albemarle County, Virginia, inheriting from his father, a planter and surveyor, some 5,000 acres of land, and from his mother, a Randolph, high social standing. He studied at the College of William and Mary, then read law. He died on July 4, 1826.

## Scope and Contents

An inscription dedicating a book to the library of the College of William and Mary, believed to be in the handwriting of Thomas Jefferson. The signature in the inscription has been cut out. Also included in the collection is another manuscript describing the provenance of the book dedication by someone with the initials "J.B." The inscription was supposedly from a copy of Tracy's *Treatise on Political Economy*, which was revised and corrected by Jefferson. The book was obtained by "J.B." while a student at William and Mary.

## Related Materials:

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## Description of Subordinate Components

### Book Dedication

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