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Jany. 10 - 34 - I see by a [?] to your letter, that I have omitted to notice the information you give, that Mitchell has been to Augusta, & closeted with Cilly & Seaver. Now do you still - do our friends still, trust in Seaver's political integrity ? I mean, in his Fidelity to the men & principles whom the people of Maine have been pleased to elevate to political power, & whom the people will, as I believe, consent to keep in power, while they shall from time & Faith put to those principles & to the people? If so, I fear our friends are preparing for their own betrayal. Seaver cannot but be regarded as a spy in our camp. His interests are the interests of a few men - and not the interests of a wide spread party, whose guide is the will and interests of the people at large. Why not discard such a man at once? Why not turn him over as you have done Cilly, to the federal party? Why not remove from his mind all supposition that he is deceiving our friends? As an open enemy we can meet and overpower him. As a secret enemy, privileged to wander through our camp, even his impotency becomes dangerous. This is a Jeffersonian partisan: Is not that much enough to determine the action of our party towards him? There the line ought to be drawn. You can effectually condemn any man before the people, by fixing upon him an alliance with that establishment, now known to be

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But all considerations which should govern our friends at Augusta, cannot, I am aware, be appreciated by me at this distance. I have no doubt that they will carefully guard themselves against Seavey's treachery - for treach-

consummate ery he will <del>practice</del> ^ openly, as soon as the Legislature shall adjourn.

Sheply finishes a speech to day upon the Bank Question. I have written to friend Jewett relative to this matter - our political friends here are desirous of hearing a voice from Maine Legislature upon the subject. New Jersey Legislature has [?] South and in an awkward condition. Pennsylvania & North Carolina Legislatures have done nobly. New York, proudly - Ohio ditto. Let Maine join this bright constellation which is gathering around our illustrious President at this crisis. It will re-[?] to her honor, influence & respectability to do so. The democracy of our Legislature are the guardians of all these, & will watch & cherish them,

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I am sure, with true fidelity ^ parental devotion. Yours truly, in haste F. O. J. Smith

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