



“I will now add what I do not like. First the omission of a bill of rights providing clearly & without the aid of sophisms for freedom of religion, freedom of the press, protection against standing armies, **restriction against monopolies**, the eternal & unremitting force of the habeas corpus laws, and trials by jury in all matters of fact triable by the laws of the land & not by the law of Nations.”

- Jefferson to Madison (20 Dec, 1787)

“With regard to monopolies they are justly classed among the greatest nuisances in Government. But is it clear that as encouragements to literary works and ingenious discoveries, they are not too valuable to be wholly renounced?

***Monopolies are sacrifices of the many to the few.** Where the power is in the few it is natural for them to sacrifice the many to their own partialities and corruptions. **Where the power, as with us, is in the many not in the few, the danger can not be very great that the few will be thus favored.** It is much more to be dreaded that the few will be unnecessarily sacrificed to the many.”*

- Madison to Jefferson (17 Oct, 1788)

