Record Nr. UNINA9910835640103321 Autore Bentham Jeremy <1748-1832.> Titolo Correspondence of Jeremy Bentham, Volume 3: January 1781 to October 1788 / . Volume 3 January 1781-October 1788 / / edited by Ian R. Christie January 1781-October 1788 / . Volume 3 Pubbl/distr/stampa London:,: UCL Press,, 2017 ©2017 **ISBN** 1-911576-09-7 1-911576-12-7 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (646 pages): digital file(s) Collected works of Jeremy Bentham Collana 192 Disciplina Soggetti **Philosophers** Philosophers - Great Britain Personal correspondence Electronic books. **Great Britain** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Originally published in 1971 by the Athlone Press. Note generali Series editor: J. H. Burns. Nota di contenuto Preface to the new edition of volume 3 -- List of letters in volume 3 --Introduction to Volume 3 -- Missing letters of Jeremy Bentham referred to in the correspondence -- The correspondence January 1781-October 1788. Sommario/riassunto The first five volumes of the Correspondence of Jeremy Bentham contain over 1,300 letters written both to and from Bentham over a 50year period, beginning in 1752 (aged three) with his earliest surviving letter to his grandmother, and ending in 1797 with correspondence concerning his attempts to set up a national scheme for the provision of poor relief. Against the background of the debates on the American Revolution of 1776 and the French Revolution of 1789, to which he made significant contributions. Bentham worked first on producing a complete penal code, which involved him in detailed explorations of

fundamental legal ideas, and then on his panopticon prison scheme. Despite developing a host of original and ground-breaking ideas.

contained in a mass of manuscripts, he published little during these years, and remained, at the close of this period, a relatively obscure individual. Nevertheless, these volumes reveal how the foundations were laid for the remarkable rise of Benthamite utilitarianism in the early nineteenth century. The letters in this volume document Bentham's meeting and friendship with the Earl of Shelburne (later the Marquis of Lansdowne), which opened a whole new set of opportunities for him, as well as his extraordinary journey, by way of the Mediterranean, to visit his brother Samuel in Russia.