

Plenty hei hei. Give my kind love to
 Mr. Bickersteth, and Mr. Tacy
 and Mr. Pratt and all Mr. Pratt's
 family, and Mrs. Gannon, and
 all friends. God bless you.
 Teeterree

To Mr. Bickersteth
 Res. Sir

Having proceeded for the Downs 19th Dec
 Saturday Morning 1818

Our kind and attentive Companion Mr. D. would
 inform you how pleasantly we glided down the Thames to the Downs,
 indeed, than Cleopatra down the Cydnus, but upon a far more
 crowded — We got under weigh yesterday morning, and had a most delightful
 sail, but the wind freshening, and not so favorable, together with the approach
 of night and difficult navigation, we anchored in Lucas Channel about 20
 Miles from the Downs — We are again under weigh & if the wind will
 allow, or more properly speaking if that Bland breeze who holds the
 world in his fist will, we shall proceed on our Voyage. Shall have an oppor-
 tunity of sending letters by the Pilot who leaves us off Deal. I am sorry to say
 my friend Tom is still very unwell and low spirited. We have a clever
 Surgeon on board who apprehends no danger, and is of opinion he will
 get better as we proceed to the Southward. We are as comfortable as
 we could expect, and more so, in a vessel so crowded. Captain Lamb
 is very kind. Tom & Teeterree are likely to be favourites with him.
 Poor Tom sends his very affectionate regards to you Mr. Bickersteth Mr. Pratt
 & all friends in which I sincerely join him. Teeterree speaks for himself.
 We miss the privilege of assembling at your domestic altar, but we are sure
 we are not forgotten by you. Had Jesus heard and answers prayer.
 I hope by the time we are a few days old at sea we shall assemble for prayer
 but the bustle of putting to rights, perhaps he has prevented us hitherto from doing so in
 a formal manner. May the God of all Consolation smile upon you and your work
 in the Prayer of
 Yours sincerely
 Francis Hall