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From John Cowell [to CMS Assistant Secretary Edward Bickersteth]

Downs Dec<sup>r</sup> 24/19

Dear Sir

I received yours this morning with the inclosed which I am very much obligd to you for, I have spoke to Cap<sup>n</sup> Kerr [sic] respecting better accommodation but the ship will not afford better, being full of passangers [sic] in the cabin, Cap<sup>n</sup> Kerr has promise [sic] to do all he can for our comfort, Sir you mentioned in yours dated 20 that you had wrote to Cap<sup>n</sup> Kerr to provide tea & sugar for Mayree I showd him your letter this morning, but he has not taken any notice respecting it yet, upon the whole Cap<sup>t</sup> Kerr is very kind and wishes to make us comfortable as he can. We have had very hard gales from the West; now it is calm and we hope the Lord will favour us with a fair wind shortly that we may proceed on our voyage, Mayree is but poorly having a bad cough at present, M<sup>rs</sup> Cowell John and Mayree sends their regarnds [sic] to you, M<sup>rs</sup> B.

I remain

Your Obd Humble Servt

John Cowell