

Hand of David Edinburgh - Aug 20 1766  
in thank and thanks - for your welcome  
note of this morning's receipt with  
all the enclosures - some of which  
I return to you - I have been kept  
by the Dr's orders this morning  
in his wish to see my breast after  
a night's rest. He has been to the  
falls of Clyde this morning - & only  
just returned - at 11 o'clock which  
has made me late. He finds the  
breast has hard from the rest -  
but he has decided in any thing, has  
referred me to let him bring the Prof.  
pieces of surgery from the College -  
He will tell him any opinion of his  
own - but will let him say what  
is to be done - so I am  
kept in bed until he comes. &

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... I hope several that had  
the 28<sup>th</sup> The

for fear I may not have time  
to write all I would say, I have  
asked for pencil & paper to send  
a word to you. I am so very sorry  
that Nannie wills to go so soon  
& will not come to you for a little  
to make her - & she could get home in  
the worst of the winter weather  
in Barbadoes. She might stay  
a fortnight to visit to you very well  
& go by the Scotia, where I could  
have her so well taken care of  
by Judkins - he would have her  
up in the state room on deck  
& she could be much more  
jolly with her than with the  
who is going to pay & sit on board  
But perhaps she has friends  
in the Eastern Breeze. I hope

you can persuade  
me to stay & pay you a visit  
your passage is taken - she can very  
easily transfer it to the Scotia & so  
much easier to sail in - & I will  
write to Mr King to have repeated  
care of her.  
If you by the Russia which  
I sincerely hope he will do - it would  
be pleasant for you to have Nannie  
with you for a fortnight or so - and  
then if you came up to Liverpool  
to see her off - you could bring the  
children also to Mrs Williams &  
after Nannie had sailed - you  
could take them over to Barbadoes  
& there I shall hope & expect to meet  
you. This is of course only a sugges-  
tion but I think, by that time, the  
water treatment will have done

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Darling - She  
will go with

It will with you, & a  
change like this will be advised  
then you & I could get a sailor to sea-board  
taking wayward with us. I have heard  
of baby to the Iron water, which I have  
an instance would be good for both  
of them! But you will do what you  
think best.

Your letters all arrived together dear  
me - there is only one delivery from  
the South in the day - Dear Mrs  
Pembury is very sweet & good  
& I am grateful to her for her love  
Zeal - but I must do - as I must  
& take the consequences - I have the  
benefit of prosecution without help - I  
cannot live or die or be judged here  
by the opinion of kind meaning &  
loving friends - I must go by positive  
knowledge of those whom I consult  
I thought Butler Brown wrong after he had

Darling - I hope concerned that Ned  
will go with John on the 20<sup>th</sup>. The  
sooner he goes the better. If John  
goes home without him - See  
some father - He may say something  
- any thing - to influence your father's  
mind with regard to Ned - & he doing  
any thing with Clauson. or if Ned  
should not go now - but wait until  
Sep<sup>r</sup> - 18 - your father might think  
that Ned was only waiting back for  
our shooting - & thus he chooses  
to go "pleasure - sitting & subduing  
doing" - will be confirmed still  
more in your father's mind - No  
Mr. W. would like that he should  
go early - for then if it is true that  
business is so awfully dull &  
bad as your father says. they  
will see that it is not a time  
for him to do any thing there

the grand \$10,000 <sup>dollars</sup> which in all  
Clanson proposes - will be well spent  
in the trial - Clanson says 10,000  
would be ample for that - & at the  
end of the year if that was not satis-  
fied with the result - he could take  
his money back again - but Clanson  
is safe & I am safe - but Ned  
would get more than his money  
back - besides making acquaint-  
ances in business in London &  
Italy - such as he cannot make in  
any other way - which would be  
useful for him to take with  
him into any business in New  
York - in the future - But Ned  
must see for himself what you  
father proposes - and then not  
be torn by conflicting  
advice. I advise him  
once.

as I would be willing to bail him!  
would any of his other advisers do  
the like? cold figures tell!  
Whether or no - I hope several he will  
go with John in the "Russia" - it will be  
better to see your father at once & he  
cannot absolutely decide until then  
I hope you will advise them to go to  
Susan Armstrong - she will make  
them comfortable - it will help her  
& be an immense saving to their  
pocket - Ned must remember  
that when away in America he is  
using his income very fast & must  
be thoughtful about what he spends.  
He must not stop on my account -  
it would be very odd to give such an  
impression of evidence of feeling now for  
the first time - & besides the best  
proof he can give of feeling for me  
is to do that which I beg of him

Ever my love to your father, dear, & thank  
you for his nice offer - ask him  
to send me a draft on John Thwait &  
Co - in favour of Sheridan & myself  
for four hundred & twenty pounds.  
The bill at 75 days (£420 pounds).  
This is an old affair - & I am now  
desirous of settling & being entirely  
done with him for good in any more  
affair! - You may tell your father that  
there only now remains one hundred  
& sixty pounds (£160) on the bill of exchange  
which is to last us till next 1<sup>st</sup>. so you will  
ask him - or for his instructions - what  
to do for your next bill of exchange - which  
had better be made separately to your  
father may find sold down when he gets  
home & conclude to buy for remittance  
to you - I don't believe in gold's keeping  
down, which is a speculation article