

To Mrs Benjamin Longmore from her nephew, James, 1801; the wife of Captain Bligh, 1800; and unknown

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Bath. No 3 Pinnepoint Street
October 28th 1800

L. 15/1

My Dear Mr Longmore

I have just received the
enclosed letter from Dr Blane which has been
sent me here. A gentleman is just setting off
for London and I cannot help writing to tell
you how much I feel pleased that Thomas has
got what he so well deserved. Altho I think as I
always told him that he is more obliged to himself
than to any body else. yet I have thanked Blane
as if it came from him. This can do no harm
and may assist us in any thing we wish to ask
him to do hereafter. I enclose ^{you} my letter to him
when you have read it be so good as put a Wafer in
to it and send it to the Penny Post Office -

I am distressed to find Mr Enfield is dead. When
you see him give my love to him and tell him
my best wishes attend him - I hope you have enjoyed

ed good health, and now your mind being at ease
about Thomas you will be happy. We find this a
very agreeable place, and not extravagantly dear.
I could pass the winter very comfortably here
and not at much more expense than at home
but I begin to long to see the children - how-
ever I think I shall stay a little longer - per-
haps 2 weeks. Will you be so good my dear
Mr Longmore as call upon Emma when so
that way. I write to Mr Child by this opportu-
nity and have enclosed him £ 5.0.0. Mrs C.
will give Emma money when she wants it -
tell her I was glad to hear from Harriet that
she and all her family were so well - I am
so hurried I must bid you Adieu and beg you
will believe me sincerely Yours
Charlotte Philip

Remember us to Mr Longmore &
Samuel. and when you write to Thomas tell
him I congratulate him and wish him success.

October 1800

Mrs Longmore
Opposite the Magdalen
Black Friars Road

My Dear
A letter of
Mrs Longmore from
Bath

L. 15/2

Hamburg. 3^d Feb. 1801

My dear Aunt

This day at our 6th Shift only
I arrived safe at Hamburg. after suffering every
possible inconvenience both by sea & land. we
were eight days at sea. during three of which it
blew so violent a Gale of wind. that I had but
little hope of ever seeing the shore again. however
providentially on Friday last. we landed at
Cuxhaven. the Mail for England goes out early
this afternoon. so that I shall not have time
to relate to you the particulars of my Voyage.
but you may depend upon hearing from me
more fully in a few days. I shall well have

anxious you will put for me and therefore
thought that two or three lines would be
better than writing for 20.

The Canadian Packet, Capt. McKean, will
sail from this the latter end of this week for England
and will return to Hamburg almost immediately.
I shall send a long letter by him, in the interim
I must beg you will be kind enough to pack up
any shirts or whatever clothes you may receive from
London for me, in a box or any other way that
you may think best, so that they may be ready
to come off by the above Packet. I have spoken
to Capt. McKean, who will, I believe, call upon
you and will I have deliver the parcel safe to
me. — I shall write a few lines to my Father
by this mail, and enclose it in this letter, which I
will thank you or my Cousin Ann. to direct &

forward to Liverpool.

I met with a gentleman on the journey, a Scotchman,
with whom I have joined for he and I have been
together, a very intimate acquaintance he is an American
and Cassin's very much taken with me in fact has
several times asked me if he can render me an act of service.
I have not yet formed any mind to him, but shall in a
day or two, and I hope in a short time by his means
to procure some kind of respectable education, provided
I can, to have Cassin be a friend when I have
a friend, and perhaps all may be for the best.

Just as you may suppose, my spirits very low, but
I do not despair, let things go as they will, but hope by
a little perseverance to recover all. — I shall start
upon you to-morrow for fear the communication should be
stopped, for twenty pounds at 20 days after sight, which will
last me for some time. My health is not of the best owing
to the agitation of my spirits, but as I become more calm, I
shall doubtless find myself better. — Adieu. my debt of
gratitude to you is great. how shall I repay your kindness?
Heaven protect, bless you, my best love to my Cousins & believe
me ever your true affec^d nephew. Edw. Longmore

Direct to me for the present - Mr. J. L. Longman - at the New
Globe Tavern - Stubbenhuck - Hambourg. —

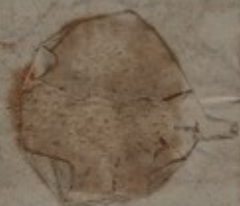
Mr. J. L. Longman

Mr. J. L. Longman

at
Stubbenhuck
Hambourg

Mr. J. L. Longman

London



L. 15/3

Hamburg April 13. 1801

My dear Aunt

Your kind consolatory letter of the 19th ult. reached me the beginning of last week, & yesterday I received one from you dated in February, which had been opened at the Post Office in London, & detained there, owing to your having omitted to pay the usual whelking - a gentleman, who happened to know me, saw the letter, paid the postage & forwarded it to me. These two are all that have come to hand from you and from my Father. I have had no letter of any kind except the one he wrote to me when in London. This I can only account for by supposing that he has sent away his letters without paying the inland postage, if so, they are all stopped at the General Post Office. - Since I last wrote to you I have unfortunately been seized with a most violent complaint in my bowels, which confined me to my bed for nearly a fortnight, but thank Heaven I am now fast recovering and gathering strength daily. The Doctor attributed the cause of my complaint to the badness of the water

which is very apt to affect strangers, and those who are not used
to it. The Doctor I suppose you have met in possession of
Hamburg, which for the present has put a stop to every kind
of business, so that, although I have been in treaty with two or
three houses, I have not as chance relations of procuring a
situation in this place. And in consequence, I shall have it in
about a week or ten days, and you will be surprised when I
tell you that I am going to France to fix myself at Paris.
I have procured myself as an American and as such, have
procured a Pass Port from the American Consul, so that I
can go wherever I like without restrictions. The gentleman
I am going with is a Frenchman, but who takes, as his clerk,
and I have every reason to hope that I shall do extremely well.
In fact I look upon my present prospect as rather a pleasing
one, particularly as there is now, I think, no doubt but that
a peace will soon be concluded. I must beg you not to
mention a word of this to any one, you and my father
will be the only persons who will know where I am, or what
I am doing. For fear this letter should miscarry I shall write
to you again before I leave Hamburg and inform you in
what way you are to send your letters to me, but do not write

to me any more until you hear from me on my arrival at Paris
and when you write say St. James instead of Hefker, and then in
case your letter should be opened they can have no suspicion of
my being English, and in speaking of my father and mother
say your friends at Rouen &c &c and be cautious not to
say any thing about St. James but only what concerns the
family &c and in as few lines as possible. I shall write to you
the Rouen regularly every month and desire you to do
the same as soon as I have pointed out the place which
you are to purchase. I am extremely anxious to hear
my father and I am as yet not settled, as my stay is
so short it will be useless for him to write. I shall
give leave to Rouen in this letter, but I shall not say any
about my illness, it will only make my dear Mother uneasy, &
do us good, particularly as I am now so much better.
I have not heard any of my father &c nor have I seen any
expectations of ever seeing them, which is truly a great matter.
I have been obliged to buy a few shirts and other things for my
journey and in consequence, I have this day drawn upon you for
£10 more at 10 day sight which please to borrow. This will
make in all £110 that I have drawn. The remaining part
which by my calculation is 40 quivers say £40 - I shall not

draw for until I arrive at my Journey, and when I expect
will be about the middle or latter end of next Month and
then I shall draw at 21 days after sight. Should it so happen
that I overdraw you 20 or 30 shillings. let me know when you write,
and I will take care that you shall be repaid. I am happy to find
that my Cousin Tom: is so well. remember me kindly to him when you
write. I shall rejoice to hear that he is successful in the way of Prize money

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Wm Longmore
Carpet Warehouse
No. 1 Black Friars Road
Opposite the Regent
London



My stay in Hamburg is so short. I did ^{not} think it worth while to form
any new acquaintance, & therefore have not called on any of those gent.
you ever kind enough to mention. I keep up my spirits tolerably
well: but soon & then they will flag in spite of me. however I shall
endeavour to act for the best, & trust to providence. My best regards to my
Uncle & Cousin Jack: love to Fanny. Adieu my kind friend - may
Heaven guard, guide & protect you. believe me ever truly. Your Affec^d Nephew
J. A.

Dear Madam

Post Office Bromyard Nov^r 10th 24

L 15/4

It may be a presumption in me to offer you any consolation for the irreparable loss you have sustained in losing so good a companion but I cannot refrain sending you a few lines on the melancholy subject ^{of} although I know you do not want for the best spiritual consolation which I hope the Rev^d M^r Hill has not been without seeing and giving you on this trying occasion but hope your mind was prepared for it in seeing so long such a natural decay in the Human frame although when the fatal period arrived I am well aware the shock you had to sustain which I hope to God you will be able to bear with Christian fortitude be as it may I am sure you have nothing to reproach yourself with for the want of every care in your power to preserve so good a Man and you have another consolation which every one has not in parting with an irreproachable character for I sincerely believe he was a Man as universally beloved as he was known always having the character of a Honest Man and hope that character will descend to his latest posterity it must be a consolation to you to have there gone an Honest Man which must be the noblest work of God

now Dear Madam I have had a severe trial
myself in loosing one of the best companions
but thank God I have nothing to reproach
myself with in want of Love and Duty towards
one who is no more whilst with me no one was
happier in a Companion than I was and believe
she was with me but when I consider we are
all mortal and shall never be completely happy
till our Charge come we must resign ourselves
to that all wise being who knows what is best for
us and his time must be best when ever he chooses
to call us home not despairing but we shall
meet our lost Companions in far more happy
regions with the ever blessed where all our sorrows
will be taken from us and be happy for ever more
if you find yourself low and unwell if you can
bear the journey I should be very happy to see
you and one of your sons with you to spend
some time with me this deary season as I am
quite alone I will endeavour to make it as
comfortable as I can for you and it may relieve
your mind a little with Change of air and
would be some little novelty to you if you could
not walk oft much but hope we shall have
more settled weather than we have had
I am now alone in my room where I always
am but not alone with so many good Books
I have for my companions which I am fond of

I have received everything safe sent to me with
many thanks the fish was beautifull and I
parted it as Anne wished I am glad the money
came safe for M^r Treper but it might have
been upon sight as well as a month ago I gave
M^r Phelps the Cash did not know how to send it
so certain as through his Agent please to give
my kind Love to John Anne & all Friends except
- ing the same yourself as I consider myself
and I hope you do as one of the Family

P.S. I am going to Murphys Estate to take
a person with me to look over the Timber
and to value what I think it would be
right for him to fall and sell after
John shall be from me with particulars
and likewise Murphy when they may
consult what is best to be done Murphy
cannot think of letting it if the present
Tenant chooses to hold it if it is but for
one year more as he must have a proper
notice to quit and I think the Person who
applied for it behaved very uncharitable
without he had consulted the present
tenant I have no better opinion of
him for so doing as I think it was
very unjust what ever Murphy may think

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