

J. Dickens  
9 June 1810

Doctor Quincey

No 17 Grenville Street

Matthias Gardner

London

Excuse my Expressing  
the one hour's stay  
that in the office

N. Pitt Rivers, 4<sup>th</sup> June 1810

My Dear Sir

I blush for my self in what  
an grateful manner must I appear to you after  
receiving your kindest attentions while in London  
And aware of the tender interest you took in Alex —  
I do not attempt to excuse myself — because I feel guilty —  
And also I feel lilly — On my return a letter was written  
you (which I did not see nor had I any wish) but I  
have been daily told since it was not necessary for me  
to write as you was informed of our safe return — and  
all about us — This may all be so yet I do not feel  
acquitted to my self — that I have not done your kind  
friendship Justice — and told you how well Alex  
bore the Journey much better than we my Mother's sister  
sister — I believe it was fear of Miss Martine — He is  
now astonishingly well and daily his legs gaining  
strength — Still I make Miss wear the shade he has  
no attacks of inflammation here — Indeed we have  
said that weather that cold he can not suffer  
from

Believe me my dear Sir, Abar and I are both  
most anxious to hear of your health - and if we have  
any hope of seeing you this season - I am glad to  
say your friends by me all seem to enjoy  
as large a share of that first of blessings as  
we can rationally expect - Indeed I see a great  
change of Miss Juggan for the better - I do  
not know what Mr Javis will decide upon  
I have endeavoured to open their eyes to  
London Operations - The similarity of the  
& Cases can bear no comparison - The Age and  
Circumstances of the patient ought to be allowed  
due weight in the Balance - But they have not  
advantage we had not - The latest information from  
Experience - I have received the kindest  
and most respectful Letters from Mr Phipps  
you can conceive - His attention I did not  
expect - Therefore feel grateful - I wish I  
could give you any Damphian news to amaze you  
all seem very quiet - I have had several  
very friendly visits from Mr Stair - He inquired  
very kindly for you spoke with deep regret of  
the Chagrin you met with last season - I quite  
Ignorant of what

I hear Mr. Boi's is very sanguine about a patent  
or premiums for the Chimney's Miss Boi's call'd on  
me one Day when I was out - I have never yet been  
able to return it - I can give you no Indices  
new or more than what we had in Russell Street  
You may believe I am now very anxious  
for the Diet - both on account of my Brother  
Other - God knows what I am to hear  
I could almost say my heart  
is worn out with Delay, I hope  
I have candidly given you my reasons for  
silence - May I hope you will forgive me many  
things would bear a better explanation by  
then Letters I yet hope for that Opportunity of  
mutually unlocking the social Heart -  
May I request you will shew me  
inclas. I into the Indices Hoop - with every  
gratful recollections of your good ness  
I am Dear Sir  
Yours with Intere  
Isa Dickson  
Abar begs Love he visit your friend  
in the vessel to night he is much pleas'd  
with them -

Es. Decker  
2 March 1811

Dr. Dinwiddie at  
Mr. Ponson's Chamberlain  
St. Giles Street  
Cavendish Square  
London

London 2<sup>d</sup> March

My Dear friend

In answer to your letter I come to reply to  
to your last esteemed favour - I asked your opinion  
of my going to India - you replied Consult your own  
mind - your physicians for your health - to the first  
Conscience told me - I must go to Bengal - to the latter  
Dr. Maxwell declared without peace of mind I would  
never know health - that a warm climate would to me  
be new Life as Damp or Cold was Death to me - so for  
in my health my peace of mind my physicians & all  
my friends united that to Bengal I must go -

My passage is taken in the General Stewart  
India man we sail by the 26 Inst - I will not say  
one word more until I have a note saying your  
health is a letter from Mrs. says it is better I pray  
God it may be so - at all events I hope to see you  
I will come to you - or I will stay in to receive you

<sup>to</sup>  
You see I take Liberty of A friend I - you know I  
am an Enthusiast both in Love & friendship so will  
hope you will pardon me when I say I am impatient  
to see you - we will Chat of Dps - but this is my  
weak side - It is so dear to my heart that I have  
scarce fortitude to converse on my Dear My Native  
Spot - nor can I write on it - you will address to  
me - Mrs Shaws Lodgings Robert Street Adelphi

I have not told you one word about being in bed  
all day with a bad cold & sore throat and that  
I only arrived at 7 in the morn last night -  
all when we meet God bless you My Dear Sir  
Yours with Esteem

Isabella Dickson



My Dear Sir

Thankfull to hear your gas in  
Life - As in one year twelve months I have lost  
so many friends I esteem'd in my Exalted  
State of Health and Spirits I was afraid to  
enquire for any friend - I have <sup>not</sup> been able to be  
once at my Mother's and I should have seen  
you - and tomorrow I go with Mrs Hunter and  
Children in a Little Sloop for Winter, hoping  
I will not suffer from travelling so - I am  
Greatly better - I should have rejoic'd to see you,  
but we are so far off - I will in time write you  
why Mr D address you in place of Mr M -  
It was my fate to feel the fatal force of Men -  
Conventions formed previous to my arrival - as  
atone ment and to avoid prosecution - a settlement  
is made upon me for Life - as what Pass  
atone for ruined health of - I feelings