

Pigeons
 In the paper of Harbour
 July 7: 1786.

Dear Brother,

After a three or twenty days passage

we arrived here last week; & as a favourable opportunity now occurs of find-

ing letters home, I shall use every opportunity to write to you,

as I was lately by very means. By the orders I have received,

a copy of which I have enclosed in this, I shall be permitted

seeing you three or four years or more to come. You will I

hope either write your own address in Edinburgh or write

as you will always know where I am to be found. Give thanks

my best compliments & desire him to write often, as I certainly
shall but am now prevented by the number of people I have
been obliged to correspond with: show him my orders that he
may be able to find me out at the different stations.

Pleasuring in England as you do, my dear friend, is by far
a more preferable life to what a soldier or sailor is oblig-
ed to go through. Since I have been here, a most violent
rheumatic complaint has prevented my going on shore,
but the report of the gentlemen is very unfavorable.

I am constant thick fogs that there is no seeing a mile
no inhabitants to associate with: all Irish & Scotch
fishermen: the English bathing places however, they
are with the first company in the kingdom. Hope

when I return to have it in my power to go a little in the great
world. There is so great a want of any thing skimming that I do
not know what to write about, so will, I hope, excuse me
if I now subscribe myself,

Yours sincerely,
William

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Duke of Clarence

July 2^o 1706.