

Sr B. Bloomfield to Sir H. Keighton
A.A. No. 1030

Manusk. 22863 - ~~Letter to Sir H. Keighton~~
June 14th 1822. - I can not convey to you, my dearest
friend, the heartfelt relief which your letter, received
but yesterday, afforded to poor afflicted me. - The
obdurate silence which had been observed by my
correspondents; but above all by yourself, could not
fail to be most painful to me, & to awaken the
most agonizing reflections - However your kindness
& affection have dissipated my gloom and I live
again - Indeed to know that Sir H. Keighton enjoys
improved health would be a balm to my soul.
- I pray for its continuance & every other blessing.

Let me entreat you to dismiss from your
mind the suspicions which you appear to cul-
tivate, that there are persons who endeavour
to disturb our mutual regard - I declare

to my God, that I have not had half a dozen letters
from England, save from my Family, & in none was I
encouraged to the belief that you had forsaken me.
If you could penetrate the mind here you would
there see displayed, naught but faithful respectful
affection. — Your wife, in this, have had
a long letter from me, & I know will make those
generous allowances which, in the aptated state
of my mind, I feel myself entitled to; assisted as
I was by the Hon. Chas. in the bag have done
to me than myself — So many years of
honourable endeavour to put the best colouring
upon every chancery Act, I had hoped would
have saved me from being maligned in
this horrible way; Indeed like a woman

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from deficiency of position, I ought to have been
spared; for though you know every word of the
said paragraph to be untrue, still I dare not say
so. - I have had many horrible anonymous
letters, giving details of conversations said to be
held by the King with Individuals, representing
me in the most frightful light. The King's
generosity of heart is too proverbial for me
to credit these details, & therefore my feelings
of devotedness & attachment have never
been shaken by them. - I however do hold
an original letter, mislaid by the Parter, in
which a conversation is given, & Individuals
named, which leaves me no option, when
the proper time shall come, but making

The writer responsible, Indeed I owe it to the
King to clear away from His Majesty, the stain
of all outrages upon His Majesty's humanity. For the
Sentiments quoted never could ^{have} found utterance
from His generous Heart, Indeed they never
could have been harboured there. You
intimately know my every thought for some
years, & I can appeal to you, if you ever
discovered unworthiness in me, or that my
Wob. Heart's soul were not directed to
His Majesty's service. This proud
reflection I am still more proud to
ever never raised Sentiments more

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subservient to the Chief Kapitele (or Shauger)
and the Independent Gentlemen threaten to
retire from the Corporation, and believe me, it
is upon that description of Person that you must
mainly rely. The stipendiary Kapitele will
keep the Peace as long as he has his Police
in his Train, but it is upon the Gentlemen
proposing Property & Residence, that personal
safety depends. Cripple his Power, and
lower his Influence, & we must remain
a few more

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ardent than file by Boston at the present moment
Oh how the tear trickled down my reddened
cheek, in contemplating this miniature. It is my
unceasing companion and alone can cheer the
solitude of my solitary hours. I will not longer
harrow up your feelings with by-ones, but
assure you that you never can possess a friend
more sincere or affectionately devoted than
your faithful B. Thompson

My further wretchedness must endure
until the new crops come in; a period of
2 months. If H. Johnson's Bill does not
undergo amendments in the committee, &
relieve the established hospitals from a