

H/ Joly will send Mr King
my best respects & the
unexp'dly. — a Storm

Weymouth the 26th 1796
26 Aug^r

My dearest Lady Cha so return you thanks for your
last letter it is my wish to do so but as kind a word
I am afraid I won't words to express half what I felt
at reading it & all the pleasure it gave me, but
believe me when I tell you that no one
loves you better & more than I do & that
any thing that comes from you must
always make me happy. The account you
gave me of Mr. B's & your delight in
reading us of your's I wish to only hope they
both continue going on well. How
my dearest Lady Cha to give you an account
of a long Bothery, we went yesterday which
may I hope amuse you & those at
Bury for a moment & if it does it will
overcome my wishes fully. I must begin
by telling you that long before any of us
were up yesterday morning they came to inform

as that a very large Fleet was seen at
a great distance you may suppose we did
not remain long in Bed after such an
showing intelligence the moment we could
we went to the Window & it looked quite
beautiful for in the off'm we saw ^{about} 30 ships,
as Pope ~~had~~ ^{did} intended to go on Board we
determined to find out what this Fleet was
therefore sent out a little before we
left Weymouth a Frigate to inquire ^{whether} ~~whether~~
they were Friends or not finding they answered
all our signals we ^{made} ~~sent~~ as much ~~side~~ as we
could and in a short time got up so near
that we having hoisted the Standard they
Saluted & then sent a letter to the
Admiral to inform us what Fleet he was
conveying home upon which we found out it
was the Mediterranean Fleet conveyed by
The Prince Royal a 70 gun ship & six
Frigates The Admiral on board was not able

to come on board us as he was under
Quarantine orders, however Admiral Lindsay
could not withstand coming a long side
of us after three years & a half being absent
from home the first thing his Fleet were
~~was~~ as well as himself was the King
I should think no joy could come up
to it & indeed the Parzai proved it as
we passed ^{by} the ships the number of
Merchantmen I believe amounted
to about 30 sail & I must say every thing
is beautiful I never saw before. in
the morning ~~very~~ very early the West India
Fleet came in therefore we are very
happy & have every reason to return
thanks for the safe arrival of them both
After the ships had saluted again
we took leave of them with our
intention of going home as soon as
we could, but the wind now began

to rise & the sea was very rough indeed
we went to dinner & during that time
it was quite dreadful however no
danger whatever & no one was the
least ill except the two children
Lord Hutton & Brounlow Capt. Fair
came on & in about very bad weather
which at last did distress us very
much & for some ~~hours~~ ^{hours} we disposed getting
into Weymouth that night for Harry had
had some thoughts as the wind was
bove of taking us to Portsmouth then
it changed again & we tried to
take us into Sulworth Cove, but at last
I thank God the weather ^{as well as} proved
kind & the wind & we got into our
own station but it rained so fast
that I was thought it better not to
leave the ship till it was over
however we all at last lodged