Sydney 19th November 1846

My dear Sally

This morning I received both your letters, of the 14th and 16th, which gave me great satisfaction and relieved me from much anxiety. But what can have occasioned them to have arrived on the same day I cannot think. But it is not of much consequence now: as I am quite satisfied with hearing how well you got through your voyage and journey, and found Phebe and her children, as well as Emily and William. My chief reason for writing this hastily is to say that I have sent an order for 3 dozen of port and

3 dozen of porter to be forwarded by the
Iron Steamer tonight. They are directed to
Charles Boydell Esq^r, as I thought they
would then be more certain of being sent
on by his boat. Williams must contrive
to fetch them over from Cam-yr-Allyn: and
I hope dear Phebe will not be long without
her glass. We are all going on very well. Green
complains of pains in his head and back
but nothing I believe serious. Mr Leonce
spends part of the day generally here and
sleeps: and looks better than he did; but
he has when he first gets up a sense of
giddiness which shews that all is not quite
right. I do not know whether you had
heard of the death of poor Mrs William
Manning. She was buried this morning at
Newtown. By a London paper which came
by the Packet I see with much regret announ-
ced Died at her brothers in Weymouth Sheet
Catherine only daughter of the late Rev d
William Gregory of Canterbury, aged 54.
A very old friend indeed she was of ours; but
her loss will be most heavily felt by the Dr
to whose children since the death of his wife
she must have been almost as a mother. The
death of Mr Crichton you will find in
today's Herald which I send. The weather
here continues dreadfully hot. Yesterday
was

was not quite so bad: but to day it is again very oppressive, with a fierce hazy sea-breeze. The Governor and Lady Mary Stirling will have had, by this time, enough of their tour. You will see me Stirling some day towards the end of next week: and I shall try to stay two Sundays: in order that if the little boy cannot be baptized on the 29th, it may be on the 6th of December. As to the sponsors and the names, we must settle about them when I come. With my love to all Drummond

My dearest Lilly Your very affectionate

husband W. G. Australia