Dear Sir

I was much obligd by your letter by the Calcutta — & Capt Woodhouse informs me he has the Log at Portsmouth — for which accept my thanks. as likewise the seeds by the Venus whaler the Logs & Dove I was not as fortunate in but am nevertheless obliged — Andrews has been constantly well, & far from what you suppose of a delicate Constitution, & I hope his improvement will meet Yours & his Mothers approbation, he writes to you by this conveyance. he has been several times down with Mr White during the holidays, who informs me he has always made him write to you — I was much pleas'd with the Newspapers you sent me, & may I beg you will send me any Share ones you may have — I have a usual sent the papers under cover to Capt Rowley which are for your perusal as well as his as I have not two sets to send — You will find Capt Arthur has sold his Commission, & goes out

as a settler, Capt Townson has sold his commission & is going out as a settler. Capt Prentice is on half pay & means to return to New South Wales. indeed things are at such a pitch here that it is next to impossible to live here — I wish I was back again I understand numbers of families of from four to five hundred a year are making application to government for encouragment to go to N. S. Wales & only wait some alteration in the mode of the laws to embark. Balmain died about the time I write last, as did Mr Beckwith in a garret without a rag to cover him — I have not heard any thing of Mr Johnston the Clergyman since he died & his Daughter — Mr Thompson the Surgeon is trying to get out again — Capt Hunter commands the Venerable a 74, & I hope soon to get a ship.

The Newspapers will give you an account of this country — I can only say we are in the same state we were a year ago expecting an invasion that England is a perfect garrison, well prepard to meet the Enemy — sanguine as the new Emperor seems to be, it is supposed he will attempt some blow, but that he has delay'd it too long —

I am sorry to hear so bad an account of my farm — as it is all I have to leave my little Girl who is very well — I have lost enough by Mr & — I know I need not say if you can assist Capt Rowley in doing any thing to better my concerns in the Colony I shall feel very much obligd, & will thankfully repay any expences that if you can you will do it —

The Spanish wool, & some of the woods of N. S Wales, I believe will shortly be an object of attention to Government, from which I think you may profit, by keeping your wool &c &c

I hope to hear from you by ships coming to this Country, & be assurd I shall not forget the promise I made you when I received him from you nor will my family should be absent in attending to the welfare of Andrew —

Remember me kindly to Mrs Moore — I am

Dear Sir
Yours truly
H Waterhouse

Oct 20th 1804

Remember me to all my friends