I have never been able to fit up since my coming on shore. I am quite unable to write because I am weak and have to lean on my side which puts me in pain. You must therefore excuse my not replying to your last former letter. I think you should have more confidence in the conduct I have observed towards you than to believe the reports of every malicious ill disposed man that was under the mask of Fraternity. Before I went with some new task, I mean by reflection, should convince you I have done you all the justice in my power. You were the bearer of my dispatch to the Holy Land, and had the advantage of doing yourself all the good in your power in fact telling your own story. What more could you wish? I have attached no blame to you for the proceedings of the unfortunate 22 of June. I know it was unexpected to you as it was to me and the whole notorious infamous officers herein. I say it was to be expected if it lived why were they not prepared and why did they not give some support from those on the other side. I could not even get an answer to a question they are or were on that day the greatest coward of that ever stood on a ship's deck and if they don't corrupt the evidence before the trial they will be proved so. The reason why I sent can't hold down to have the gun for it was I supposed because you were hot on the deck at the time and you must remember that I never suffered you to remain on the quarter deck any time because I knew if it was possible to remove the people from their pannier it would...
only as the Your Presence out of my Sight.

Respectfully I am, Sir

Your most Faithful

James Barron