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Mr Cheston

London Feby 20th 1790 —

My Dear Mr Cheston

I have lately received your two last inclosing the first & second bills & invoice for the things which I shall send you in a very short time. I can only give you a few hasty lines at present — Mr Brooks having just sent me word of an opportunity by which they can be conveyed — & I am in the midst of the serious business of preparing every thing for the departure of my dear Thornhill for India — It will be a hard separation but one must reconcile it as one does all inevitable ills — I have the satisfaction of seeing him far, form out every thing he could wish in every respect head & heart equally good —

Since you last wrote you must have received two letters from me — one by the Packet — The uncommon mildness of the ~~weather~~ Winter has been so favourable to Mr Bewley, he is at present in better health & looks than I have known him for some years — he is by nature a very tender delicate constitution, & ill fitted to the fatigues of the profession he is fated to be in — its very well for youthful spirits & vigour — but hard work when the season is past — However as he cannot change his lot here, he must be content with that that falls to us — I rejoice to hear my dear brothers industry & labours are crowned with success. may it ever be the case — Tell him if I had not a husband as lazy as him