Lima October 27th 1837

My dear Father

We sail this evening after a passage of 5 months as you will see since date — And I embrace the opportunity to send Ship Lima bound across the line to transport to you only that I have arrived safe and now in my life in better health — I shall send to Canton tomorrow morning some thing to write you from Valparaiso — which Ship I am ordered to sail in a few days to the U.S. a full statement of affairs here — The Ship is now settling as I must close with these an ag of Love to all as shown I let My dear Mother write in a long letter of things in general Glyster Valparaiso —

Your Dutiful affectionate

S. C. Lemon