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Keble
At. Spithard.
Sep. 17th 1785.

Sir,

Yesterday morning I received your Majesty's letter of
the 21st instant, by which I am sorry to find my request has not met with appro-
bation. I shall endeavour to exert myself in the execution of my duty to
fit myself for a command whenever your Majesty may think proper to ho-
nour me with it. I hope I must from the time I first was appointed
to this ship, that I have done my duty with all the exactness that lay
in my power. I can only refer your Majesty to Commodore Landon

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who has charged himself with this letter will have the honour to deliver it in
person.

Sam,

Sir,

Your Majesty's most affectionate
and most dutiful son,

J. P.