

H. R. H. The Duke
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Dear Brother,

The whole month of September being
elaps'd and no packet being yet arriv'd from England, I think
I cannot with any propriety remain here any longer, particularly
as I am at present second in command on this station, and as
the Commodore has not met with the success I desire, even
-ward: ever being tedious one at day light, we sail'd thus
to be back here again in three weeks time or as to write by a con-
-fidential person who leaves this place between the 5th of
November: I wish to have heard from you: but my
duty obliges me to quit. My reason for not writing by the last
packet was my not having any thing to say: I am still in that situa-
-tion and so must remain till I hear from you. Every thing

go on with me as usual: I am still very nervous, and am afraid
the West Indies will do me no good: I wish most heartily I was
in England. My friend Charles Foley has advised I must
no doubt you will be useful to him. I am sorry to say my expenses
have been very great: between seven and five hundred pounds. God
knows how things go on in a certain quarter: very few of our
someday or other I must be put winding up. I am ashamed of
troubling you with this nonsense: but for my business I have
nothing else to say: so adieu till I meet again: God bless you
and our Believers,

Your most affectionate Brother,

J. P. Walsh