

My dear Sir

Admiralty 26 Oct^r 1825

In forwarding to you the accompanying packet I have to apologise for not having soon replied to your letter of the 21st which has been occasioned by a continued pressure of public business.

I should have great pleasure in receiving & forwarding your letters for the Royal Sovereign, but the fact is Mr. Croker has a great dislike to letters or packets addressed to the Clerks of the Office being transmitted under his cover & therefore I wish as much as possible to keep clear of his observations;

I
Sir Wm. Arden

I am however inclined to think that if your
your Correspondence with the Yacht was
addressed on H. M. Service, your name
inscribed at the left hand corner of the
envelope & sent under cover on H. M. Service
to Mr Barrow, no objection would be made.
I am

My dear Sir
very faithfully Yours
J. D. Esq

P. S. I shall never have any difficulty
in franking letters to you.