

Sir

Admiralty Office April 6th 1782

The Packet that is immediately to sail for Barbadoes will give you information, that His Majesty has been graciously pleased to place me at the head of the Admiralty, I could not let the conveyance go, without informing you of it myself, and to assure you, that however you may have supposed the change in the Kings servants to affect you unpleasantly, it will not on my part, and it is with the greatest sincerity & solicitude explain myself to you.

You will find every endeavour in me, to render your service in your present situation agreeable, and with honor, & satisfaction to yourself I beg you to rest satisfied that I am in earnest

And am Sir

Your very obedient
and humble servant

A. Keppel

Sir Samuel Hooper Bart.