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Letter from Ebenezer ? to Mr. Lane concerning a debt

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Mr Lane Sir it is with sorrow that I have to convers with you after this manner But Sir I am happy[?] in conversing with you any way but theas lines are to inform you that I am well and in good health thou not in prosperity But I hope that theas lines will find you so & all your connection so Mr Lane sir I would not have you dispeare of having that money which I borrowed of you ___ ___ ___ Don't pay any Body else will pay you Butt I don't expect to ___ it my self but I will I imploy some body for I never determing to rong you above all the rest of mankind But I cant tell how long it will before you get your money for I am a going to sea and expect about th? to imbarck about the 14 or 15 of May But it is with sorrow that I meet with so much difficulty But I must bare with it as well as possable I can but I must ___?nd but I desire to be remembered to all my Relation and all Inquiring friends If any thear be but I expect but few thear bee but I hope provedence will provide for me better then my self can but remember me to Mr John Lane and his family & tell them that I would not have left them. I left as I did had it not bin best as it was and for feare of the sad consequence that might isue But remain your will wisher and loving friend

Ebenezor Johnson

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