

before going on board. The Capt took me to the boat. Lat the pier he met
three gentlemen singing friends of the Capt^s waiting for him to go to the
ship. As we got into the boat it was a lovely moonlight night & songs
were sung all the way to the boat. I sat in which looked beautiful
fresh all so nicely done up for visitors. We had a nice supper I thought
to say just as we were starting. I thought who had left us the day
before returned I came along with us. Poor Hays quite regretted
he was unable to go he is better tonight though he feels shaky. King
also returned. No word yet from Emma. Her hair is all curled
broken turned up. The Capt & George took to the beach but then it was dark.

Wednesday the 17th. In the letters we had written home, sent for you, the
Misses Major, Miss & Miss also a newspaper to look. I was writing one
arrival - George & Mr. Pratt took them ashore & they remained all night.
Night came to his room to day he has got a good shake & begins to feel his
fall more. What a mercy he has been. A letter came to Miss Major
to day from a gentleman who knew her father in person. He says she had
written telling her brother had come to the West Coast but he would
see her carefully sent on & do all he could for her only he could not see
for her himself but would commission a friend with whom he would

commissioned; the letter though a very kind one did not satisfy Capt
White so as he was sitting here he called her into his cabin & told her he would
not let her leave the ship till he heard she could be comfortable & he would
kind about her altogether. I admire his fatherly interest in his wife's case. Poor
girl I am very sorry for her for the world's anxiety. No word of him yet. No Mr. Le
think the globe must keep us from hearing. The Capt has got upon one thing
nothing but his desires to make ourselves as comfortable as we can as we are
not to be a kind soul. He made out a plan of the table in the drawing
room saloon for as all the time will go to trying. Miss Crumville says she
will be in the temporary return again after the 15th as his father had come
down to Lytleton.

Thursday the 18th. George & Mr. Pratt returned. Mr. Simpson says we were off long parking in
the Steamer King at 10 o'clock. George & I looked into account
& settled to day.

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