

Sec. of State  
20 Aug. 1792

Mr. J. Bell  
On board the Hindostan  
Hon. Sec. of State

Lancaster Aug. 20<sup>th</sup> 1792

Dear Sir

The bearer of this (Mr. Charles Bell) being a  
relation of mine & an Officer of the Hindostan on board  
of which ship I am informed you go to China, I shall take  
it as a favor confid on me if you will give him  
any instruction (during the Passage) in Navigation.  
He has already made one Voyage & by this time  
undertants a good deal of Sea faring matters  
& with wishing you all imaginable Success &  
Good Health on your Embassy I remain

Dear Sir very sincerely Yours.  
James S. Ewart