

Sauger Roads Sep. 25 -
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G^d Sir

You must have thought very strange
that I did not stop along side of you. Despite the
day I passed you, I was in a great hurry & did
not understand, that it was you until I came
on board when the pilot that carried your boat
& people back inform'd me who it was
I was extremely sorry that I did not stop
along side, I came out here from London
commander of the *Phyenia* loaded with
Wine, of Madeira & Tenerife, & found such
bad market here for them that the owner was
obliged to sell the ship, & I did not receive but
barely sufficient to pay my Expences, I thought
proper to try the Country service, as I had no certain
prospect by going either to England or America
& not knowing the Language, I could not procure
a Chief Officers berth, I have shipped as

second Officer of the *Hennetta* Grab bound to
Amboyna, & Borneo, after one Voyage as second
Officer I shall meet with no difficulty in
obtaining a Chief Officers berth, and as I find my
health good, shall remain here, some years,
perhaps, however in any event I never will
go to America until I have got a few
thousand Rupees in my pocket. should there
be any prospect of recovering any thing for the
capture of the Governor Rowson, I wish you
would inform me by leaving a letter, directed
to me to the care of Mr. Lam. Greenway
India Gazette Calcutta, I wished to have
seen you, very much indeed, to have made
many enquiries about my friends in Boston
however I will hope you left them all
well. I wish you a safe & prosperous
Voyage, & am with respect Your most Obedt. Servt.

Daniel Oliver



Cap^t. Jon^{as} Chapman
American Ship Indus —
Calcutta,

