B. A. Nov. 30 de 1833

To Capt.n Fitzroy —

My last letters from the Falkland Islands of 20th march, which you had the kindness of bringing with you & to forward to B. A., were handed to me, by Mr Gore, and having been this day informed through the British Consulate that you were going to touch at the Islands again, and had offerd to take letters down for me, I take this opportunity of giving you my best thanks for your civility, and to inform you at same time, that I sent down by the last packet to Mont.d, to the care of Mr George Tornquest, several parcels for the Falklands.

I have also to thank for the good advice which you have given to Mr Matthew Brisbane, by letter of 20th march, which he forwarded to me, regarding the inconveniencies attending the removal of Jean Simon from the employment of Capatar — That advice proves to me that you had a very correct Idea of the case, and I am very glad that the matter has been settled as it has —

I think that his conduct has been a good deal misrepresented, but there is no doubt but that in the manner of

executing his business ~~it~~ he persists in a great error, which is very detrimental to my interest, and may retard greatly the future prosperity of the Islands, but if ~~it~~ he will not be convinced they have no alternative than to put up with his old ways; because of the ~~two~~ evils, his removal if attended ~~thus~~ with the departure of the rest, is by far the greatest evil.— If the Gauchos go away, then the horses are irrecoverably lost.— These horses are the produce of 6 Cargoes, and the expence of transportation exceeds thirty thousand hard dollars, besides with an equal sum of money they could not be replaced, a few years stay on the Island are required to make them accostumed to the climate and soil before they become usefull, so that ~~y~~ new settlers would have to wait a long time before they could be supplied with cows for their dayries & bullocks for tillage — The disappointement of settlers would be very great and many would probably quit the Island again — But on the contrary if they are immediatly after arrival supplied with cattle, they will soon be comfortable and happy & the settlement will flourish again. My great object is that Simon Collets six or seven hundred heads of cattle, and that ~~to~~ he should always save the cows,

and only kill oxen. Then the annual pro-
-duce of those cows, that the has caught,
will furnish a constant supply of meat
for the settlement —

I have written to Simon that
he and all the peons will be greatly
the gainers if they gather such a stock of
cattle.

As you have had the goodness to
interfere ~~so~~ once with your good coun-
-sel, you would confer a particular favor
on me if you would do so again — and
above all things, to bannish from their head
the idea that they can work for themselves
because if we put aside the question of
my right to the wild cattle, the
horses are certainly mine, and without
horses they can do nothing.

In order to become "au fait" you
may peruse my letters to the Falklands
during the passage or after delivery. You
are at liberty to open the letters, excepting
one to Mrs Helsby, which is not from me.

B.s of A.c Nov. 30th/833
to Capt. Fitzroy —