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**Address on envelope**

H.M.S. Latona Spithead Dec 28

1801

Mrs Elizabeth Stevens

Heworth Shore, Near

Newcastle To the Care of

Of One John Dale Low Heworth

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Latona Spithead Dec 28, 180(4?1?)

Dear Mother

Latona

I received your kind

And affectionate Letter addressd to Captn,

Sotheron whereinn i feal the most heart

felt satisfaction and have wrote you

Several Letters and am utterly astonished

They never came to hand i am now informed

Now I remain in Good health and am now

Boatswain of his Majestys Ship

Latona according to your Statement of

The Last Letter i received i desire to

Expresss my Most Earnest prayers for

Your health as also kind Love and Affection

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To all the family and hope you have all

Had a Merry Christmas and wish you a

happy new year i Certainly should have

Sent you something to keep up Christmas  
But only wait your answer and will  
Make it a Gift for the New year i received  
A Letter from My Brother John wherein  
He informs Me of Great Sickness in the  
West Indies but keeps his health and is  
Belonging to his Majestys Ship Le??sop?  
I shall wait your answer with impatience  
And have nothing more particular to add  
But my Constant prayers for your welfare  
With kind Love to all the family and

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Best wishes to all Enquiring friends i  
Remain your Affectionate and Loving  
Son till Death.

Hugh Stevens