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Ramsey in ye [the] Islman [Isle of Man] 21st 5th mo: [month] 82 [1682]

Dear Brother

haveing [having] this oportunity [opportunity] I cold [could] not well omitt [omit] it but send thee [you]

aline [a line] or two by wch [which] you might have ^a little^ [crossed out: illegible] understanding how things

are with us upon the 14th instant in the evening wee [we] left Liverpoole [Liverpool] and fell downe [down] to the blackrock, where wee [we] stayed some few ours [hours] and then set saile [sail] haveing [having] a very faire [fair] gale of winde [wind], but it did not long continue but turned very cross, so that it made the sea very

rough, wch [which] caused the most of us to be very sick, and though wee [we] had got part of the Island on our right hand yet the night following by reason the winde [wind] proved so cross, that wee [we] wear [were] forced to leave the south side & [and] fall to the north, and so came along the Island till [until] wee [we] come to this bay called ramsey bay, where some of us that evening went on

shore it being the first day of the weeke [week], wee [we] mett [met] with [with] some freinds [friends] and were glad to see them, and after wee [we] had refreshed our selves [ourselves], wee [we] went aboard againe [again] haveing [having] got a little milk wee [we] tooke [took] it with [with] us aboard wch [which] was very acceptible [acceptable] to our poore [poor]

weake [weak] women and children, wee [we] stayed there at Anker [anchor] that night and the next day wee [we] came ashore againe [again] and bought some fresh provision and tooke [took] in some fresh water so that evening the wind [presented?] [pyented?] [pointed] very fare [fair] wee [we] set saile [sail] and sailed all night very quietly

and the next morning wee [we] got sight of Ireland and was in hopes to have gained the Ireish [Irish] shore, but the winde [wind] turning weste=
=ly [westward] proved very boysterous [boisterous] and being so cross that it ^made^ the sea very

turbulant [turbulent], that caused us to be many of us very sick, and that night it was very stormy so that it made the sea very turbulant [turbulent] that wee [we] weare [were] forced to go round the Island and come to this bay againe [again] where wee [we] are at anker [anchor] at this [pyent?] [point], Randolph Blackshaw his [crossed out: illegible]

maide [maid] came ashore wth [with] our maide [maid] to wash some linnen [linen] and is stole away and wee [we] are in doubt wee [we] shall loose [lose] her, wee [we] are both of us very weake [weak] in body yet very fervent in minde [mind], for wee [we] looke [look] upon these things to be but accednetall [accidental], although wee [we] are satisfied thee [the] lords [Lord's] ordering hand is wth [with] us, and wee [we] can say that it is good, and wee [we]

hope that in his owne [own] due time hee [he] will bring us safe to our desirable [desirable] place, so with [with] our unchangable [unchangeable] love to thee [you] thy [your] dear wife and
Cousens [cousins] wth [with] the rest of your familys [families] wee [we] rest thy [your] dear brother & [and] sister

Will: [William] & [and] Jane Yardley

our children are aboard and are pretty well and can eat the ships [ship's] fare wonderfully, dear Elnor [Elinor] pownall has a bad stomack [stomach] so have we she and her husbands [husband's] dear love is to you all,

WY: [William Yardley]

Wm [William] and Jane Yardley
Ramsey
on shipboard [added text]
5 mo [month] 21 1682
to
James Harrison