Bristol July 30 1826

Honourd Sir

Being very unhappy in consequence of having a most unfortunate son destined to this strange land. Knowing Mr. Greenay of Bristol had a Brother in South Wales on conquering I Sir was recommend to presume on the liberty of requesting the favour of any information you could give of Jabez Hill he has informed me he superintends the Overseer of repairing roads at Parramatta I have wrote so often and very seldom get an answer. - April 1825 I sent a box with some English Manufactory and directed to be left at Sydney the only direction he sent having no acknowledgement of the receipt of it, I conclude he has not received it or he is no more. Since I sent the box I received a letter dated Dec 31 1824 wherein he also requested me Sir to write to you has you knew where to find him in any part of the Country. If he survives I shall send to him again could I find any safe conveyance but I almost despair has I sent a little cash before & never received it. The box I had regularly insured it. Sir should you condescend to attend to this my most importunate request I hope I shall ever acknowledge with gratitude your most unspeakable kindness & should he survive my very best wishes is for his present & eternal welfare & I hope he'll not be so very remiss in writing to most disconsolate mother that can never forget his misguided youth. Sir you'll pardon my weakness but I might have been well with him but here I am to see him no more & may his last days be his best days.

Sir I conclude your most obedient & respectful servant.

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