*Monarch* off Bologne Augt: 15th: 1801

My Dearest Emma,

 from my heart I wish

you could find me out a good comfortable

house, I should hope to be able to purchase it

at this moment I can only command

3000 £ and asking Sir Wm I could not do

it I would sooner beg, is the house at Chis:

:wick (Chiswick) furnished if not you may fairly

calculate at 2000 £ for furniture but

I & I can pay as you say by little & little

we could accomplish it. be careful how

you trust Mr. Christie all must be settled

by a Lawyer it is better to pay 100 £ than

to be involved in law(.) I am very anxious

for a house and theres nobody to do

any business for me but you my dear

friend(.) If Davis arrives in town I would

get him to look about and settle all the

Law business for me, but as to a house you are

an excellent Indy? only do not have it too large

for the establishment of a large house would be

ruinous. as you may believe my Dear Emma

my mind feels at what is going forward this

night it is one thing to order and arrange an

an attack and another to execute it but

I assure you I have taken much more pre:

:cautions (precautions) for others than if I was to my:

:self (myself), then my mind would be perfectly at

ease for after they have fired their guns if

one half the french do not jump overboard

& swim ashore I will venture to be hanged

and our troops have only to go on never think

of retreating, this will not go away till to

morrow (tomorrow), many poor fellows may exclaim

would it were bad time and all were well,

but if our people behave as I expect our loss

cannot be much(.) my fingers itch to be at

them. what place would you like to come

to, Margate or Deal, Dover I fear would be

inconvenient. Horsly? bay would be also the

same. as for having the pleasure of seeing

you that I am determined upon, I am

begging here and perhaps shall only

get a ?? for my pains? to be half min??

in my little fortune I expect, but rich or

poor believe me Ever for Ever my dear

Emma your most faithful & affectionate

 Nelson & Bronte