John G. Barnwell to Peter Kean, July 31, 1817

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Beaufort 31st of July 1819

Dear Mr. Hearne,

Your friendly favour of the 22d inst., received on the 25th inst. by mail from Charleston, with Mr. Fraser's note on the back of it, "I shall require particular care for the bot", this caused great anxiety in our family as we were apprehensive the packet from a friend might be lost, but was made alleviated by the arrival of Mr. Heathwood who brought us the bot on the 28th. 

Heads of Bay, Ralph, it is difficult to divide the joy freely expressed by your little on this occasion, a hat on each of their heads, brimming about the Hampton mirror to admire, explaining thanks covering Mr. Hearne's sends it over in him to thank us, and one even sees him again, when is he coming back? Yes - Eliza desires her particularly thanks to Mr. H. for the vote of the troubles she must have helped in doing it — it has been much admired for its elegance of style and style.

I am thankful for the Fables you have engaged for me. Your order for them on Mr. Fraser will be paid.

I hope you have received my letter before this

in relation to your order on Mr. Robertson for $350. I hope it was satisfactory. I saw I could not get the care.
The navigation from Charleston to Savannah by the
way of Beaufort is a boat drawing 5 or 6 feet water
would be in my opinion must go from Charleston to the
Bar 8½ of miles — from Charleston to Beaufort Bar
in 30 miles from Beaufort Bar to the Bluff 20
miles from depth of water all through from the Bluff to
Beaufort 8 miles about 6 feet water at low tide,
from Beaufort to salt creek 18 miles, from depth of water
from salt creek down Calibogue sound to the mouth
of Savannah river about 18 miles here its much exposed
from thence to Savannah 18 or 20 miles. Not probable in
my opinion to pass & continue in this country for
the encouragement of steam boats. I would advise
you not to be engaged in such speculation.

I have heard from our going friends that
ACambure the crew to be employed — all our
friends are well — the sea has been several days of the
country
Poor St. Thomas found nearly fit for seven or eight long in
the country he moved his family in — three of the
old men no mind — we have had a very wet
reason of it — very many crops entirely lost — I have a
very fine prospect all round — my respects to Matto
Hill, Hearn, please give my sincere regards,
John J. Barnwell
Bermuda 2
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Elizabeth, Iowa
New Jersey