

My Dear fellow Soldier.

Richmond 16th May 1809.

I had this morning the pleasure of receiving your Letter of the 11th Instant; and hasten to comply with the Request contained in it; I have done so, but am sensible it falls short of the Sentiment which I entertain of your Merit. I had the Misfortune in the last year to get my right arm broken, since which I feel considerably difficultly in using my pen. I feel gratification on the occasion afforded me, of giving you, assurances of the Sentiments of Esteem and friendship, with which I remain

Dear Sir

Yours affectionately
James Wood.