

New York June 19th 1833

Mr William Irving
Canton

Dr Bill

I was not apprized of your intended voyage to Canton until some days succeeding your departure or I should have felt it incumbent upon me to call on you and tender the adieus of an old friend.

Should you be sufficiently well pleased with Canton to propose remaining there I should be glad to hear from you at as early an opportunity as convenient and still better pleased to hear of your being established in business there. In fact I contemplate, should nothing prevent, to enter into business the next spring and as it is more than probable I shall have a partner thoroughly acquainted with the India business will turn a portion at least of Capital into that channel. For the present I would ask of you if you possess the means of obtaining the desired information to send me a list of the prices at which the following articles can be obtained in Canton as I have some idea of sending out for them as a small private adventure

Sacqued Tea Caddies (2 containing) 2 Black Lead Cans
- isters large enough to contain 2 lbs Tea each -

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Lacquered Tea Caddies @ contg 2 B.L. Cans to contain 4th Tea each
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The caddies to be Black & Brown & gilt and Brown & Black
 & gilt lacquered - all the Boxes and caddies to be of good
 quality and a handsome article - and should the prices vary
 very materially for the above articles in different ~~article~~ qualities
 send the highest and lowest prices in order that I may make
 a selection - The prices I should like to have as they would
 stand in on board a vessel and covering all charges up to
 their shipments not forgetting to include your own charges and
 commissions in the estimate -

The result of a small adventure of this kind you know
 very often determines a man upon the business to pursue and
 should I find from your list of prices any chance of a ready
 and profitable sale in this market I will enclose you an
 order immediately upon the receipt of your favour -

You will also please give me information of the manner
 in which it would be best to make a remittance for purchases;

whether in Specie, Bills or Merchandise and if the latter
 - city articles, qualities and prices. You will if convenient give me
 quotations also of the leading articles both of Imports and Ex-
 -ports in your market and a rough estimate of the probable
 demand for the ensuing season - Be kind enough to send
 me a price current - I hope of soon hearing from you

I Remain

Your friend & obdt friend
 J. Hunter-Graham

William Irving Rogers
care of Messrs. Russell & Co.

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John A. ...
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