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Cherbourg, Edward Hoare

Wester Hill  
Gravesend  
Kent

My dear Polly

our boy is gone  
and I ought to have come  
off the morning he went -  
but he is only gone to the  
Ship which is quite three  
miles off Gravesend -  
please God I shall be home  
tomorrow evening - I have  
been parted with one

of my children before. &  
when I am now suffering  
myself tells you how  
devotedly I love you etc

And were off in the  
heaviest squalls. having left  
the only one secret  
which never is to pass my  
lips. It ship sails in the

morning. & the Captain I  
hear from does my boatman  
the boat had aboard her had  
yet arrived - so I resolved  
to stay to see the real  
departure.

Your true dear Mother  
by most affectionate love  
and kisses to the girls

Yr always always  
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