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Mr. Miller -
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My dear Sir, About a fortnight back, a Parcel was left at my House, which appeared to have made the Circuit of London & the suburbs - scarcely a fragment of the paper covering remained - just enough to enable me to decipher the direction; - On opening it I found a letter from you dated the 17th November 1821 - a Number of the North American Review - Bryant's Poems, & Logan's Indian Tales. - From your Letter it should seem that the Parcel came by the London Packet, but as Tracey sent me up the Parcel containing the Gazettes (which Murray refused to take in), I therefore knew that I had changed my residence - perhaps it came by a Liverpool Ship & has been at the Coast Office until they had sufficient curiosity to open your Letter (which was unsealed) & from that learnt its destination. I am sorry it has thus happened because you must have thought it both careful &

& ungrateful, that I should write to you without
acknowledging the receipt of the books & thanking you
for the kind communication you made from
Mr Brown. I have long since made an arrangement
with Mr Oliver Everett on the subject of the North
American Review of fifty copies of which I receive
regularly & hope to increase that number considerably
for it is in very high repute here with the few
persons who are acquainted with it; Lord Holland,
Sir James Mackintosh &c &c are regular subscribers.
You are, I believe, aware that my ^{business} ~~matter~~ in this
Affair turned out very unfortunate. I had the
satisfaction however of getting out of my difficulties
without any loss of reputation, & my affairs were
soon arranged. You will, I am sure feel pleasure
in hearing that I am recovering my lost ground
& am extending my business considerably, particularly
with the United States - As I cannot at present
afford to impart on any books I am not aware
of any immediate advantages to be derived from

an arrangement with Mr Brown. I shall have
the pleasure of writing to him & thanking him
for his friendly offers communicated in your letter.
Boston appears to be taking the lead in
important publications - & all the great literary
men seem to be assembling in that neighbourhood;
I trust some of them will take up the last number
of the Quarterly Review in the way it deserves -
Did you ever read such a black guard attack?
Mr Brown has just left us for the Continent,
he saw his boat fairly launched first
& sailing with a brisk gale. please to make
my very kind & respectful remembrance to
General Boscawen, accept my best thanks for your
friendly interest & believe me
my dear Sir
Yours respectfully & truly

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