

From: M J Vial **At:** Ilchester Prison

Date: 7 June 1799

To: Robert Beadon

Sir

Ilchester Prison June 7 99

[?Hancock] of Taunton has just brought my salvation — It will I fear be impossible for me to sustain my cruel situation much longer; I am so weak as to be scarcely able to cross the room — The poor child has been ill ever since my confinement — M^r Andrews has had the goodness to send me £2 — for gods sake sir repeat my thanks to him — he did it as others do evil duty — privately. My state of mind is s [*sic*] is so I can hardly write & I almost forget that I have no right to trouble you which reminds me that I write to inquire you to let me know if the parcel and letter I sent you went off before your going to London — More than you can imagine depends upon them — They must be the salvation of my poor children if they love me! I have not rec^d a farthing from M^r L. but I am no in want of any thing at present. I ask a thousand pardons Sir for the trouble I am Sir

Your eternally grateful Serv^t

M J V

In consideration I shall write this day to M^r L. for the money due, and as I suppose it will pass through your hands, then the same occasion will serve for the other subject.