

what our destination is, perhaps
it would not be proper in our
power to jump at —

A Poor Soldier of the Artillery was
taken so ill today of a putrid fever
that my Uncle fearful lest it
should spread has sent him on
shore, by the way, I managed to smuggle
a letter to three by the boat that took him
on shore. — — — — —

We were joined
today by a Captain Holmes of the 10th
Reg^t. who is just come from the West
Indies & gave us both a miserable account
of it, and indeed idea of it, from
the poor man's own looks. —

This man's arrival has given rise
to a very handsome pleasant

thing on the part of the Officers
of this ship; in consequence of his
arrival it became necessary for
the ease of the Officers to remove
one of the Capt^s to another ship
but a Lieut of the ship was deputed
by the Ward Room to attend Genl
Dayle to allow him to remain
on board for that they ~~do~~ ^{would} not at all
mind the inconvenience if he was
allowed to remain, they brought
that none of their old friends had
be sent away. I mention this
merely to prove the ^{extreme} cordiality
of the ~~last~~ Services, which is really
the case — we have no hopes of