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24, WELBECK STREET,
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Dear Admiral Ryder,

I have had a hunt among the print shops and have made up my mind that your picture is not of Benbow, as the portrait prints bear no resemblance to the picture. -

I think the 3 prints which I have the pleasure to send will show that the picture ^{is} of Hood, and your picture may be by Northcote, and not by Reynolds, but of this I will try and obtain more accurate information if you will please

to let me know your im-
-pression after comparing this
print from Northcote with the
picture. Whether by Reynolds,
or his pupil Northcote, in
all probability the artist did
more than one portrait of so
distinguished an Admiral.

I find Hoods' name men-
-tioned in Reynolds' life as
having had his house injured
by the mob after Admiral
Keppel's trial, but no men-
-tion of a portrait having
been painted of him by Reynolds.

at least I have not found
it at present.

Pray allow me this op-
-portunity of thanking you
for your great kindness to
me at Portsmouth; I
enjoyed my visit to the
"Glatton" exceedingly; the
Captain did all he could
to make his complicated
and wonderful ship intel-
-ligible and interesting to
us; - and I shall al-
-ways remember my
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wish as one of the
bright days of life. -

Believe me,

Truly Yours

Thomas Woolner