



H. M. S. HERCULES.

Portsmouth

21st July 1882

My dear Admiral Ryder

I shall be arriving
at Spithead with the
Revenge Squadron on Monday
forenoon at about 11 o'clock.

May I wish you to be
so kind as to send the
"Fire Queen" out to take
me to report myself to

H. M. & H. P. 2

you & afterwards to go
to Palermo as the "diving"
has by orders been left
at Gibraltar to return
soon with the "Peregrine".

It would be well for another
steamer also to come
out as there are several
cases for hospital.

I should mention that
I have seen Majesty's

orders to submit in
passing Review

Behave me

Yours very truly

Alfred

W Bowling.