Thomas Pennant to Richard Bull

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Dear Sir

I am condemned to some weeks recumbency, lying like patience on a monument smiling on a broken knee-pan. I had the accident this day ~~s[illegible]~~ sevenight; but am calm, resigned & in most equal & good spirits. The pan, split in two, has been most skilfully reduced; & I have every prospect of a ~~good~~ good ~~cure~~, but from the nature of the case, not a speedy recovery. I retain my ardour for our amusements & ~~[illegible]~~ employ my secretary fully & am swelling the *arctic zoology* to 4 M.S. volumes. may you & the Ladies[2] retain equal spirits in better health. The same wish attends M^{r} Storer.

Be so good as to give my son the sketch of the Lady's head I sent to you.[3] He may get it, ascertaind, ~~at~~ I write on a portfolio on my sane knee. as the attitude is not very pleasing excuse more at present.

Adieu, D^{r} Sir
Y^{rs} most truely

T Pennant
Downing
April 13th 1795

Richard Bull Esq^{r}.

Marginalia

Endorsement in Richard Bull's hand:

about ornamented Quadrupeds & more Birds.[1]

Editorial Notes

[1] Elizabeth and Catherine Bull.

[2] The sketch appears to have been one of the Hampton Court Beauties. See 1182 and 1183.