

Bordeaux Tuesday - 19th ⑥

My dearest Clementina

This letter I fear will
reach you, yesterday Lord Keith received a
letter from Lord Melville to say that I was
to command the expedition now preparing
for America, and that my orders would
be sent to me respecting its destination.
I am disappointed for I had flattered
myself that my labours were at an
end and that I had only to enjoy
myself with you in domestic happiness
now I shall hate the Americans.

I have sent Robert to bring all my
things from the Queen Charlotte