

at all however they vexed me on with them: the loss of entrance was completely  
I was disappointed to lose them. I had  
but myself better before they  
as I was at the time I was at Prosech  
I will not increase.  
to the expected visit of the  
both at school & the  
town. It is not to be a  
demonstration  
magnificent  
at present being not  
in respect of safety  
I wish you  
if you take the  
at any plain remark.  
I was greatly benefited by  
your advice







it for myself, it looks as if the gold was put on artificially.  
I have got my group of waxy flowers nearly completed &  
mother talks of giving me a larger shade for them - if  
she does, she is going to get a maple wood stand for it, to  
correspond with that of the birds.

You express a wish in your letter of May 31<sup>st</sup> that I would  
write you a full & particular account of the marriage, but  
that, I presume, you have already got from Mr. Bell  
likewise the happy tidings of the birth of Mr. Clephorn's  
daughter: a dear little pet is Jessie Ritchie Junr. Her  
nursing & she, have been staying with us for a few days,  
in consequence of Mr. C. being at Glasgow. They went home  
yesterday, & I am now left alone with mother, who is sit-  
ting at her favorite amusement, reading the papers, while  
I am writing to you. Mother is well, & jaunting about as much  
as ever.

The Conks you so kindly offered to send us, are not very valua-  
ble here, I fear the carriage would cost more than their value,  
we are however much obliged by your attention. Mr. Bell  
remarked, that a beautiful grotto could be made of them.  
While staying at Musselburgh, I was taken through the  
grounds of Sir David Milne in the centre of his bleaching  
green there is an artificial pond, with a jet of water spout-  
ing up in the middle, the margin fantastically decorated  
with rocks & conks, water, & creeping plants, grew amongst  
them: it had really a beautiful effect. - Mr. Greer was  
wrecked on his way home, & yet you mention that he talks  
of going again to purchase goods, his courage is surely great



he said he was fond of the sea, but I thought this accident would have frightened him, I think if I was in his situation, no earthly consideration could ever tempt me to enter again upon such a voyage. — You will have seen by the Scotsman, that the Battle Shew was in Edin this Summer, what a bustle there was for a week — Windmill St. hotel.

I have opened things to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated the 14th August. — In Queen's row observing I have not seen you. We have been visiting with you in company several months past. I am going to Newcastle in half an hour I will try to be there by the post office before 10. I have had no way this morning of the two other machines which I had left in the shop I know not. — I have not seen you since the 14th. — I have not seen you since the 14th. — I have not seen you since the 14th.

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As I dare say you have heard us call our house was well employed — nine visitors — shake downs in every corner of the house fourteen on an average sat down to each meal. I was completely worn out. There was a splendid promenade at Warrender's Park near Bruntsfield Links, to which I was forced to go, greatly against both my inclination & ability; I had got the length of the links, when I became so sick, that I could scarcely walk.