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Dismal letter on
Margaret's having left
Scotland

47 Musselburgh June 25th 1847

My dear Margaret

I would have written before this
time but whenever I think of you it is
with feelings of sadness, separated as we
now are for ever, and I think any
thing trifling I could now communicate
would be of very little interest to you
I could tell you of being here & there —
of doing this and the other thing but
without personal communication, and
commingling of feeling, what would
it avail, it would be like the
withered flower you sent in the news-
paper; although fair and beautiful
when with you & before it reached me
was dried skin its color gone, its color
faded, and the mystery of its enchantment
nowhere to be traced, such alas is what
I feel in writing you. and you know
a letter, is but a feeble consolation for absence.

Dear Margaret I wish you well and happy,
and if you really feel what you have
written about the people and place, you
may well be so, may it be of long contin-
-uance. But, I should like to hear your
opinion of things if you had been sent out
against your inclinations. There have been
many changes here since you left, ever in
the short time, Jessie's dear little baby away
Josef's thing his sufferings were very great
for a fortnight before he died. He was
vaccinated, but did not take effect.

Turned into Rose, which spread over all
his body from the points of his fingers,
to the tip of his toes. Jessie is very much
distressed about him. She & Mother have
gone to Glasgow for a short time.

Mrs Bell has been very unwell and con-
-fined to bed for some time, but is now a
good deal better, she was here to day with
Christina whom she has left for change
of air, having been also unwell. She is like
a skeleton all the rest are in their usual
state Mrs Alex Busset is also gone after a short
illness. one week, Mr John Spittal also of a

few days illness I was Robert White -
The weather has been oppressively hot for
some time. The price of provisions rapidly
falling, I fear I will not get any more
written. My babe not being very well,
and not sleeping sound, up every little
while, and this being the last chance of
getting it with this lot, as I have been
from home almost every night of late;
I cannot remember of any thing more to tell
you. Mr. H. desires to be kindly remembered
to you & Mr. Dawson. Give him also
my love, and accept the same for
yourself from your affectionate sister

Marion