

Lyell's travels (his second visit) in the U States, also Miss's Practical Thoughts
on Religious subjects, and the Life of Leigh Richmond. The last I was much
interested in, as giving very valuable hints to every Christian. You may be sure
often think of you and our dear little boy, and I dream of you almost every
night. Commending you and all at home to our Heavenly Father who will do all
that is best for us Love your own William Halifax Wednesday Aug 30

I received on Monday your letter of
Sabbath last, and am well pleased that
you received the watch safe in safety. I think
you can venture to buy pots for the Braz-
civets, it would be a pity to let them spoil
for the sake of a shilling or two. I fear
you will have more difficulty in getting
leath for them. You will however find
a little in or near our coal hole in
the back shop. I am happy that little
boy's cold has been so well got over, but
Dear Margaret do not distress or alarm
yourself about these things, though of
course it is right to take all due pre-
cautions. It is very annoying to hear
of a fire in our New Church! though it
is a mercy that it was subdued. As you
commenced your postscript however with the
alarming announcement that a "Sad Catastrophe"
had occurred, I was almost vexed
when I found that it was nothing worse.
I suppose the evil originated in the Hot
air apparatus, and I hope it will lead
to more care in its management.

Mother should not be disappointed in
absence to the Lecture. The audience is very

respectable and is increasing, and I think
will continue to do so. I have no doubt
that I shall realize all my expenses out
of the clap tickets, and perhaps something
more. If I do it into to very well.

I have been telling all the people
here that you are coming down, so I think
there will be no help for it; But perhaps
it may be as well to postpone it till the
end of July, when the weather will be wild
and there will likely still be sleeping. The
best way would be for Andrew to take you
over to Huron, say on Thursday, and
then go on with the stage on Friday. I can
only pay you a visit, if the weather be
fine without deranging my clap; I must
leave on Saturday morning, arrive on Saturday
night, leave again on Monday morning and
be here in time for Monday's return. This
would be expensive, but it would be a
very pleasant visit, if the weather were fine.

In answer to your three questions.
I have made no inquiry about washing,
my stock of shirts being yet large. I see
however that Mr Robertson gets shirts done
pretty well. Some ladies attend the
clap, and I am told were well when
I get the length of Botany. In order to suit
people with large families, we allow the

Purchasers of tickets to take others for
their own families at 2/6, I may assure
you that the other lecturer you mention, is
a Universalist Minister, ^{Mr. Whitehouse} who is lecturing on his
own account, and has the use of the col-
lege lecture room two nights in the week.
He lectures on "Literature", and has I believe
good audiences. Last Monday there was
a great temperance meeting which somewhat
diminished my audience, still it was respectable.
I have a meeting after each lecture (rather late
you will say, but it suits them) with some young
men who wish further instruction; and I meet
the older boys on Tuesday afternoon, and I
think I will also do so on Saturday afternoon,
if it can be arranged. I eat & talk with
the other lodgers, and there being only a
few of us, it is more pleasant than to
eat alone.

On Sunday last, I went to Mr. Mc
Gregor's church in the forenoon, and heard a
very good sermon indeed, on the death of
Christ. The most of the churches here do not
have service in the afternoon till 7 o'clock; so I
went to Dr. Jigors, who had asked me to
dine with him. Here I met the Hon. Mr. Bone
from Jamaica - and a son of a J. G., apparently
a young navy officer, Mr. Jigors & a Miss Jigors

with the Drs. We had a long discussion
on some points of doctrine regarding the ac-
countability of Man, Gods justice & our own in
which I endeavored to resolve some difficulties
with which some of the company were troubled.
Mrs. Fyfe appears to be a serious woman. After
dinner I went with her to hear an in-
dependent preacher (Mr. Heudebun) who is endeavor-
ing to raise up a church here on that
principle. He lectured very well on the duty of
the church towards spending members, ex-
pounding the views on that subject held
by the congregationalists.

I think I mentioned already that
my lodgings are at Mrs. Langford, 145-Prin-
cess St; however as Mr. McKinlay's shop is just opposite,
I direct your letters to his care as more very
well. His name however is McKinlay not McLay
as you wrote it. Last evening I was at Mrs. Thomson, and
she proposed and seemed very urgent that I should take up
my abode with her. There are however two difficulties in the
way of accepting this kind offer. Her house is a long way
from the college, and I should have to sleep in another house
near at hand. Both of these are inconveniences, so I have not
promised till I can think about it. When I came to this
house, I did not intend to stay long; on looking for lodgings however
I found one house to which I was recommended not at all was con-
fortable, another had two small fox-patients in it, a third was too
far away &c. In this house I have a clean bed, and the ladies
being only in at their meals, I have the parlour all to myself for
writing &c. We had a snow storm yesterday, it is now fine, I am quite
well & have had no cold. I have at leisure moments been reading

