

Kinghorn.

Kirkcaldy

Seaforth Tower

Barnes Land Aug 18

1870

fishing trip at
3 A.M.

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My Dear Anna,

I am going to address this letter to Montreal as by the time it reaches you will be about returning home.

Mr Kemp Ellens husband lent me a very good fishing rod, & so to make some use of it. I rose last Monday morning about 3 O'clock awakened Maria & Amelia, who are staying here now & we together set out for Kinghorn Loch which is about 3 miles from here. We had of course made the plan to do so the night before. We got to the loch just as it got light enough to fish & set to work. But fortune did not favour, & after whipping the water round & round the loch, with no better success

than one small Pike about 9 inches long; we gathered some boquets & set out for home again, getting back in time to enjoy an early breakfast at a little before eight.

It was however a very pleasant excursion & quite worth the trouble.

We made another excursion lately by train to Kirkcaldy & from there walked along the shore geologising &c to Kinghorn which is about 3 miles nearer home. From there we took the train again & returned to Burntisland. There is a very pretty ruin on the way which we visited & I sketched, called Seafort tower. I tried the sketch in a new way which I find very quick & not bad looking, namely tinting in over the outline & then shading in with pencil over the first tints. There is also a cave near the ruin, it has evidently been

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Believe me yours very affectionately
George.