

33 Lock Street

Dundee 8th Aug^r 1840.

Dear George,

I duly received your welcome letter enclosing carte, for which I am obliged, & beg herewith to hand you mine in return. -

I note you prefer staying at Burntisland all this month and intend paying your promised visit to Dundee some time in September, we will probably meet at the marriage (Jane Bell's I mean) on the 4th when we can arrange matters. -

You seem to think Burntisland rather a lazy place, from my experience of country lodgings they generally incline in that direction, although

if you were taking a bathe every
morning it would refresh you
very much, & might make you
more active in your duties, you
may wish to perform. —

I have been in London for about
10 days & only returned here on
Friday last, had fine weather &
enjoyed myself very much, you
would perhaps notice in the papers
the Dundee steamer S.S. "Cumbria" from
London was run into by the S.S. "Stork"
of Hull, I was on board the former
vessel at the time, the accident caused
no small excitement among the
passengers which numbered nearly
120. —

My more large frigouzes turned
up. —
I trust this will find you and
all friends at B. Whitehead
enjoying the fine weather, which I
presume you have had for the
last fortnight. —

With best wishes to all. —

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London 25th Aug 1840

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