

to Cashier
 I have not, as I requested, received any acknowledgment of it. It included a sum of £6. 2. 6 1/2 for you, being the amount of the following bills.

Dec. 27	E. Smith	£6. 6	(10 dose)
Oct. 1	W. W. Ellis	1	
	W. Arnold	8. 8 1/2	
Dec. 12	W. W. Ellis	10. 4	
Nov. 4	W. W. Ellis	2. 16	£6. 2. 6 1/2

I had only a days notice of the opportunity of sending a parcel or possibly I should have been able to send the two bills which I rec^d on the following day (Jan. 22) Ross & Nightingale of Wm. W. Ellis & Co. £1. 10. 4. The latter part in view of the firm "Norman & Wybergh." I had called several times without finding anyone in the office. He enquired if shareholders of the paper paid the bills but however settled the account immediately. The bill for the Exchange News Room will be settled by Messrs. William Smith. It is desired that it may be directed in future simply "The Exchange News Room, Liverpool" as at present they have the habit of sending it there. I waited on them, with the inclusion (almo^t) of all others during six or eight weeks, and was put off from day to day on the most frivolous and evidently false excuses. During that time

P.S. It is well to know that Richard with all the world...

I saw W. Smith only. The last time I saw him I observed that I hoped I had not called at an inconvenient time. No, he said, you shall be paid now. He left the shop & W. Williams (as I found) came to me, and enquired if I knew what the papers were charged in the bill. I did not - presumed 6 1/2. What was the amount of the bill. £1. 10. 4. Well, he said, we cannot find the bill but we never pay more than 6 for country papers & would immediately stop on charged more - if I pay you the amount you mention, will you enjoy ^{on our finding} the bill to return all that it is charged above 6 each. I could not agree to this and thought it better to wait till I heard from you. He wishes you to state the account (with additions which may be due - you need not send a bill) when you write to me and said he would pay it.

I was totally unsuccessful in my first attempt to find W. Denton Sewell. I have since heard that he is in the Permit Office but have not had time to find him out. His bill and W. W. Harrison's are all that remain on my hands. I can find no W. Smith in Pool Lane.

W. Thompson is very much obliged by the franks you sent. In consequence of your saying you thought you could procure him almost any franks he wished from the H. of Commons

to the principles of a "Netto Theravada of the Sabbath"
bill.

By a new arrangement in our shop my plan is
changed - I give up the "Dinner Room" and come
more immediately behind the counter.

The lecture on Geology I have mentioned is the
third of an intended series. & W. Thompson is
a sister of the late Wm Phillips a Mineralogist
of considerable celebrity and also of Rich^d Phillips
F.R.S. L. & C. & Co. the Chemist. George Thompson
is prosecuting the study of Geology at consid-
erable expense of time & money.

I don't know that I have much more to say
but shall remain,

Your Affectionate Brother

John Abraham

Now forwarded to the printer
by sending an old newspaper

W. Robt. Abraham

Whitehaven

Saturday Morning May 3, 1834

Dear Brother,

I have not much time to acknowledge
two panels & a franked letter of yours. Last night and
this morning at six George Thompson delivered
a lecture on Geology, on the subject of your letter
franked by Mr. Howard I presume you have by
this time received a message through Mary -
which would inform you that though most
(not all) the newspapers were misdirected I had
received them with the exception of one for Feb. 18
The latter I have since got also - I presume you
sent it. With respect to the direction "75 Church St."
it will do very well for any thing by post but it is
worth mentioning that it is not our true number
(which is 80) but an old one, by which, however we are better
known. Almost every house in Liverpool goes by two
or three numbers, which occasions much trouble.

I don't say you have seen Mr. Rodger. He told me
he was going to Whitehaven and I endeavoured to collect
your bills in time to send by him but could not.
I have called as often as I could at Mr. Wybergh's but
have not yet found any one in the office. Denton
will say he did not get over of the papers & will not
pay unless the charge for them is disturbed

It is in the Excise Office Harcour St. George Kensing
bill against you is but 19/6 but he has a bill of £ 2.. 9.
against your Clerk which he says the latter promised
to pay ~~to~~ you on his account. The latter I mention
both bills - Johnstones is made payable to you
which will leave a balance in Kensing's favour
to be carried to next half years account.

Mr. Thompson & I are both much obliged
to you for the franks. I read Mr. S. all that
related to him in your letter of ~~Sept~~ 29. I thought
it the best way to prevent amissakes. I told him
yesterday that I was about writing to you & he will
give me to day a list of the franks he most
particularly wants.

I am obliged by your offer of the paper at 4 &
the trouble you have taken respecting it. Mr. Thompson
did not find so much as he expected about
"Apply" in the paper so said he did not wish
it to be continued on his account. This falling
off of subscribers induces me to accept the offer.

My Aunt Forrest appears to me to be better
than I ever knew her since I came to Liverpool.
I think her own opinion is similar.
Mr. Forrest, however, has been extremely ill & for
a few days was in great danger.

5 1/2 P.M. Mr. S. had been ill a few days when, on the
night before Good Friday he had a severe attack
that my Aunt suspected his death momentarily.

The next day all his relations were sent for but
on Sunday when I went I was informed that
no one was admitted to see either him or my
Aunt. I however saw the latter, & found her very
unwell, & so Mr. S. continued in a low way for
several days, but the week before last he commen-
ced coming occasionally to the office. I have not
seen him yet - he generally goes to bed by four
or five o'clock.

By Act. enclosed you will perceive that I owe you
£ 6.. 10.. 8. I now send £ 10.. 10.. 8 - four pounds
of which I will thank you to forward as soon as
you have opportunity to & may with my love and
I am sorry I had no good way of sending it sooner
I am glad to hear by all accounts that they are
very comfortable.

Mr. Ellis complained that he had not rec^d
two of the papers. I will take the liberty of giving
you an opinion of mine which you will please to
take quantum valent - put your own price
upon it and don't be afraid of making it too
cheap - that the signature to certain of the
"The Four Lovers" is unmeaning and vulgar.
Another thing I have some reason to suspect
that there are more persons than you ^{suppose} ~~think~~ of,
whom I should be loth to think I still stover
to call either byots or hypocrites, who are friends

Liverpool May 1th 1834

Dear Brother,

I have nothing particularly im-
portant to write about but meeting accidentally
Miss Richardson yesterday I avail myself
of the opportunity of her return by the steamer
on Wednesday ^{by} enclosing a letter for you
which I will thank you to forward as soon as
you have opportunity, and if that does not
happen within a week please to post it.
I sent a parcel by Mr. Barker, with some
money - I presume a newspaper I received
shortly after was intended as an acknowledgment.
I received a Carlin's Journal yesterday
for which I am obliged to you. I have called at
Mr. Wyberghs again but found no one in the
office.

When I wrote last I gave you a favourable
account of my Aunt's health - the next day
I found her extremely ill - suffering severe
pain by an attack of gout in the right foot -
- she was attended by a Physician (Dr. Butler)

Miss Richardson
13 Leinster St
To Mr. Barker
Miss Richardson

and an Apothecary — yesterday I found her
down stairs, greatly recovered, and able to
walk about & in good spirits. — Mr. Foster is
quite recovered.

You probably know that a Miss Aborn
here about Middlebury — I hope it
will do her good — I don't know the precise
time of her visit.

Mr. Thompson promised to bring the
view of Washburn Hall for you to morrow
so you will most likely receive it with this

Your Affect. Brother

John Abraham

I forgot in my last to give you the list of
franks which Mr. Thompson most par-
ticularly wants & did not recollect it
till I got to Mr. Down's office with the parcel
I wrote a note for you in pencil, with the list
of names — but you should not have re-
ceived it I repeat them

Reuben E. L. Codrington Edw. A.
Stewart James Jefferys Francis
Shiel R. L.

Tuesday.

Mr. Thompson has brought the Engraving
(a Lithograph) of Washburn & I have folded
it on a roller for safety but I am afraid it
is doubtful whether Miss R. will be able
to take it — if not I shall keep it for
another opportunity.

S. A.

Liverpool Aug 4 1835

My Dear Brother,

I am much obliged to you for your letter of June 13 & July 13. I had fully made up my mind to take your advice of coming direct to Whitehaven, especially when I found that I could only have a fortnight's holiday, but since that time a new Packet "The Windermere" has commenced running between this place and Ulverston and I think offers great advantages over the plan previously proposed. I intend sailing by her next Saturday morning at three o'clock and they say that she makes the trip in 7 1/2 hours so that I shall be able (I hope) to visit Swarthmoor, Furness & Conishead on the same day — proceed return to Ulverston and on Sunday afternoon perhaps proceed to Conishead Waterhead — Monday to Cumbleside, by way of Hawkeshead & Bow-

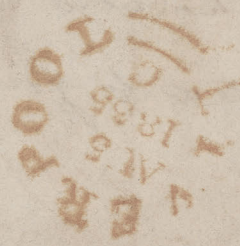


Liverpool Aug 4 1835

Wm Ross

13 Lovell St

Whitehaven



rep. Here perhaps you can meet me and
I need not say how much the pleasure of
my next day's walk to Keswick by Thilmen
will be enhanced by your company. Perhaps
however you cannot meet me until I arrive
at Keswick, ^{and in that case,} but I think we may spend two
days very pleasantly between that place &
Whithaven — ascending Skiddaw if possible,
and going by way of Borrowdale, ^{Buttermere} Crummock
and Lowerwater or Emeralds. Ulswater,
I fear, is entirely out of the question on this
occasion and perhaps also Wart Water. I
should like much to make an excursion up
Laydale but fear I have not time — I can
not expect to see every thing during so
limited a space of time.

I am much obliged to you for Baines's
Companion but, unfortunately, I had
previously bought one. I shall return yours
as it may be useful.

I shall be much obliged to you to
write to fix ^{the} time, place, and circumstances
of meeting me. If I do not hear from you
before I sail I shall enquire for a letter
at the Ulverston Post Office. It should
be recollected that I cannot expect to be

at the places mentioned precisely at the
time spoken of for I do not ^{exactly} precisely know
my own strength and it may very easily
be overrated. One thing I shall take care of
— not to hurry myself — for if I were
I might probably be knocked up at the
beginning of my journey. The ^{days' journey} distances I
have mentioned are moderate. The route
I have mentioned on Saturday is about 18
miles. Ulverston to Conistone Waterhead
16 miles. From latter place to Ambleside by the
route mentioned abt 13 miles. Ambleside to
Keswick 16 1/4 m.

I should be glad if you could tell me the
most suitable ^{time} ~~days~~ to stay at — seeing
being kept in view. I shall either send, or get
sent after me, by one of the Whithaven
Steamers a trunk or box directed to your
house.

Please to give directions not to send my
Herald news-week. I shall get it when I
come. I expect to bring you the report of your
acts.

Trusting that I shall hear from you either here
or at Ulverston I remain

Your affectionate Brother
John Abrattian