

Dear Robert,

We have duly received your letter with the order for twenty
Shilling on J. Cockburn, for which we are much obliged. As also for your
kind intentions if needful, & which will ~~doubtful~~ doubtless (or even less)
make us sufficiently comfortable. No skates are to be found, neither
in the house, nor on inquiry amongst your father's acquaintance. We have
likewise received your letter & two fine soles, for which we thank you. —

I have communicated the result of your inquiries to Mrs Stoddart. She
is much obliged to you. — I should like to know who the young man is,
who rode up to me on Christmas day, in Castle Street, & asked if I had any
recommendations to you. He said, that he should see you next day. — I do not
hear who was intended to publish the projected paper. It is said that the project
is abandoned. — The reformers in Carlisle consider themselves under deep
obligations to John James, Apothecary, for his speech at the late celebration of
Lord Lansdale's birth day. — Your mother seems progressing towards recovery.
I have to thank you for two parcels of newspapers along with the soles.

I am, Dear Robert,

Yours affectionately
Thomas Abel Lam.

Carlisle & Church St. Jan. 7 1833.

Mr Robert Abraham
Herald Office
13 South Street
Whitehaven.

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Dear Robert,

I did not write last week, there being no alterations in the market.
As enclosed your sister Mary sent to the Citizen a letter to you for your brother. If
you saw the Citizen of 1st Inst. you would see Gwin's declaration of war against the Journal.
It is reported that the subscription for the new paper amounts to £1200, & it seems
from a hint in the Citizen of the above date, that Gwin expects it soon to appear.
Could this circumstance prompt Sterling's generosity to the Herald in the last Journal?
Your mother has had a relapse; I think from indiscretion. She is much weaker than
she has been before, & the drooping has returned. Dr. Jackson says, that he expects she will
recover again, & indeed I think that there are symptoms of it. Your mother charges
me to tell you not to forget to write on Tuesday. — It is now certain that the Report
of the death of your Uncle Nicholas Redhead ^{at Montreal,} is true; your Aunt Forest had had a
letter from the administrator. You will insert it in your obituary in your own way.
I would seem that he died in August. — We are casting about & about for a
house. I wish that we could meet with 3 rooms, convenient for your mother. I think
that we might make two do, but your mother thinks that she would be inconveniently
situated in two, & perhaps she might. — I often look at a three-room house, at the head
of Rowland's Eden St., a house in which a store salesman, a quondam customer of yours,
lives; but I see no signs of its being likely to want a tenant.

8 Church St. Carlisle, Jan. 7 6/33.

I am,
Dear Robert,
your affectionate
Thomas Abraham.

Mr. Robert Shahan

J. Herald Office
13 Cowther Street
Whitehaven.

W. H. & C.
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Carlisle, March 9 - Wheat 22/- to 24/- - Barley 9/- to 10/-
Potatoe Oats 6/6 to 7/6 - Common Oats 6/- Rye 16/- Peas & Beans as
last week.

Dear Robert,

Your Sister Mary received a letter from you last
Tuesday, & I understood her that she wished to write something to you in
my letter of to-day respecting it, but she has gone out to tea somewhere with-
out saying any thing, & I am forced to close my letter. - Mary called on
Thomas Carrick respecting the house & D^r Jackson's bill - She saw Mr
C. who she said could give her no further information respecting the house,
than that Mr C. was determined to eject the tenant, if he held possession
after Whitsuntide. - Mr C. your Sister's thought seemed averse to Mr C.
communicating with the doctor, & advised ^{that} you ~~to~~ should write to him.

March 10/33.

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1855

Mr Robert Abraham

Herald Office
13 Bowther Street
Whitehaven.

Dear Robert,

No variation taking place in the corn market, I did not write yesterday. — I received your note on Tuesday last. As we have declined the thought of A. Cockburn's house, (the rent of which is more than we expected) I need not dwell on that subject; but I thought that I explained it very clearly. — After I had posted my last letter, I had some conversation with L. T. Carrick, from which it appears, that the notice he has given his tenant, requires him to give up possession either at Whitthorpe or at Martinus next, T. C. being ignorant at which of the terms the tenant entered. T. C. appears to have formed a rather singular opinion of the wisdom of putting a tenant out of possession. — Mrs. Stark was so civil as to send us word, (to avoid disappointment,) that she was unable to find another house against Whitthorpe. Mrs. C. told your Sister Mary, some time since, that we had better not depend upon the house. — We are now in treaty for the house which Sally Gibbons built for herself near the west End of the Devonshire Walk. The present Rent is Twelve Pounds. Our offer is Ten Guineas. — It will include Mary's School. — A. W. Ismay of Ayleston, I suppose the Bookeller, has the letting of it. — I rec^d the package of letters, (one each, for G. S. Mann-roy, Jas. Ross, & T. Carrick); & likewise on the 23rd ult. the Sum containing the Budget for which I am obliged. To prevent any unintentional omission of acknowledgments of Receipts, I shall adopt a plan of Remembrance. I have just received the Atlas of 28. April.

Your affectionate Father
Thomas Ashham.

May 6, 1833.

M^r. Robert Abraham

13. Lower Street

Whitehaven.

1833.

Nov. 12. Recd. by John Cockburn from John Muddart, Carlisle 1. 2. 0

Dear Robert,

I have called again on T. Carrick, and I find that he has not searched for his memorandum of the statement between you, & that he is disinclined to do so. He says that you have the statement. I gave him your letter, recd. last week, but have not heard from him since. - you will see that Mary has received five Pounds from her Aunt Forrest - I have paid the rent. - I have recd. £1. 9. 3 from Mary & paid to your account, to J. Kops. Nov. 12 - 2 - 12 - 0. - One of J. Cockburn's young men tells me that an account has been sent in to W. Gate, & that he said he had paid the bill to me. - I do not know how this has happened - If you will look back to the statement which I sent you, I think in March last, you will find, that I made up Gate's bill from the end of the ¹⁸³² year to the last paper of 1833, that I received the money, ordered the paper to be discontinued, & accounted to you for the money. - John Cockburn's son, tells me that the balance due to you is a few shillings, I think 8/11. He promised to have the account made out to transmit to you, but when I called for it, on Saturday last, it was not ready, & he was at home, ^{or} poorly. I called again to-day, & was told by his Father, that he is confined by a rheumatic fever, so I did not get it. His father looks very ill, he is much altered for the worse lately. - I understand that Wilfrid Wilson is in Carlisle, but I cannot make him out. Courtland of the Custom house told me lately, that he would make inquiries respecting him. I have not seen Courtland since. - Either professional ignorance, or else over confidence, has brought Mrs. Gillie, into an awkward scrape I doubt. Yours affectionate Father
Thomas Abraham.

Carlisle, Nov. 18, 1833.