

pus of my being able to make any
 manage in her, there must be great
 allowance made for her disposition it
 is one very hard to work upon, naturally
 very stiff and on ~~very~~ great propensity to
 contradiction; I have not made the above
 remarks with any wish for them to be
 communicated to her Parents I do not see
 any good that would arise from it.

Mary sends her love and thinks it ^a long
 time since her father or Mother have written
 to her.

Fiddler 1-10
 Roberts 2-6
 Johnston 3-
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 Macpherson 1-10
 Hume 1-10
 Johnston 2-
 Blacklock 4-6
 Davidson 15-
 Murray 2-6

Pratt St.
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I have enclosed a Bill forward full which
 hope them will amount.

and furnishing with proper articles
require all that thou can make the first
year; had I though done without a shop one
year though thou might have sustain-
ed some loss, it would have involved thee
in less difficulty, it has been with using
economy that I have saved what I have,
since thy determination of returning to
Carlisle, and I must endeavour to use
the same means to assist thee a little more.

Doncaster ^{no} 4 th 1823

Dear Robert it was pleas-
-ant to be informed by mine of ^{no} 29 th
that thou think's thou art likely to suc-
-ceed in obtaining a livelihood, but must
say the expenses attending it appear to
me to be rather alarming. Thou know's
I told thee I thought I should be able to
advance thee about forty pounds, twenty
of which thou has already had, and
tho I cannot make it convenient to send
thee the remainder all at once hope to
be able send it by the time thou will have
occasion for it; but what thou will do after
wards is what I am thoughtful about,
because the erect of thy Shop, the fitting up

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Dorchester 16th Dec 1825

Dear Robert we had expected
presents though it would write me a
few lines, I understand by thy former
letter thou write'st on rather poor spirit
about thy affairs, and that thou expect'st
some anxiety about thy want for the
shop, I thought the ten pounds I was
to send thee the month after next was
for that purpose, but if thou don't
get on thy bills as well as thou expect
ed I think thou has no cause or that
warrant to be discouraged if thy practice
don't not improve, I will send thee twenty
pounds which will help to make up
some deficiency, I think it is a pity
to give up the shop if it is on a good
situation, thou know thou always is
a future attending necessary, it is
an old saying that a thin thing
gather's no mops.

I think thou know thy
name & Robert has been in a poor state
of health this winter, who was got a little
better, and was called from home to attend
the funeral of his friend and indeed think
every way better for such indeed before we

felt him to her / Sunday Murray writes
that no doubt you have heard of, so on
the 16th of last month, she went the day
after she stoped to her J. Murray company
until last first day, when she returned
being much indisposed, her speech being affe-
cted having had something of a paralytic
stroke. Thy cousin Hannah is expected in
a day or two. I wish Dr Robert, the mid-
dle many endeavors to look to that in our
own minds that would support when
every outward comfort fails.

as I have a good an opportunity think
I might as well send the ten pounds or
if thou has not occasion for it thou
may it by. Please write and say wh-
them occurs this week, thy Aunt M is quite
as well as usual, remember me to thy
father & Mother, Mary has written

I must bid thee Adieu and
remain with love thy Affec-

tioned J. H. Graham,

Doncaster ^{and} 12th 14 7830

My Dear Nephew I writ to
thee on the 11th inclosing a Draft for
£20 which I hope thou received. I have
now to request thee not to come by way
of Doncaster believe it will be better for thee
to go by Manchester. Am very sorry I did not
know thy Uncle and Aunts minds sooner
t if it as put thee to any inconvenience
or expence I will repay thee. Do write and
inform us as soon as thou can what success
thy engine meets with. With Dr love remain
thy Affect Aunt
A Abraham

December 12 1830

[Faint, mostly illegible cursive handwriting covering the upper portion of the page]

Miss Ann Johnson

Brooklyn

Connecticut

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Doncaster th 10 th mo 24 1842

Dear Robert

Tho it is some what of a task
to reply to thy letter my sight being so very de-
fective I feel desirous of doing it and ^{also} of apologizing
for not replying to the one thou alludes to which
perhapes I may say I have reproached my self when
I have thought of it for not answering ^{it} but when I
received it I was at Edinburgh on the sorrowful
occasion of which I think thou can hardly be a
stranger to that of the death of thy dear Cousin
Ellen Miller I stopt all the winter with the dear
Children and until their father met with a suitable
person to intrus the care of them to I have frequent
good accounts of them. Thy letter of the 12th I duly
received but can give ~~give~~ no information on the
subject thou writes upon, neither can I see why persons
must give them selves so much trouble to serch into
things that I think need not concern them.

Thy Cousin H. Thorpe has ^{had} a

severe trial in the loss of a fine boy she has only a
little girl left.

I feel rather disappointed that thou
could give me no information about thy Sister
I am doubtful whether she ~~doth~~ doth not meet
with many trials. I was glad thou has Mary with
thee and that John continues his situation I hope thine
affords thee a pretty comfortable ^{on} maintenance. Thy Uncle
Cockin is putting ^{on} comfortably tho a great age & thou
will I hope excuse the shortness of this for the reason above
named please give my love to thy Brother and Sister and my
accept the same thy self from thy Aunt
Ann Abraham

Dear Nephew
John Abraham

Doncaster ^{ms} 3^{me} 27 1845

In answer to a letter I received from thy father a few days ago I set down to reply to part of it that part which refers to thy brothers wishing or advising thee to apply for money to assist me to me saying he had no doubt but I would, which I think I may say a little surprised me had he paid me or even the interest for the money which I lent him from ^{the 18} 3^{me} 24 to ^{the} 12^{me} 1830 I might have had a little to spare and had that that been the case I hope I should not ^{have} objected assisting thee in any thing that was likely to do thee good so far as I had it in my power. what I advanced for thy brother to enable him to go to Edinburgh I never wished him ^{to} repay me but the money I lent him afterwards I told him I did expect him to pay me and at the same time informed him a little what my circumstances were, my sight being very poor it is attended with some

Aun Abraham
1845
March