

Genl. Paul Murray

Edinburgh 10 January
1811

John Johnston Esq

Sir

In answer to your application for the advance of £1000 upon your bill of next season according to usual practice I beg to inform you that I have lodged the sum required for such advances in the name of Mr Smith my agent in Orkney who draws upon it as he sees proper. I must therefore wait the return of Post from Orkney and if Mr Smith approves will advance the money for

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your convenience here, as soon
as I receive instructions from
him to do so. In about 14 days
I may receive his answer
and in the mean time I remain

Sir

Your obedient Servant

Samuel Johnson

Samuel Living Esq^r
Edinburgh 10th Jan 1764

John Galt Esq^r