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My Dear M<sup>rs</sup> Johnston

The last time I did  
myself the pleasure to write you it was from  
Dunbar which place I left on the twenty eight of  
August where all friends were then well and have  
now the pleasure to inform you of my safe arrival  
in Scotland in Company with my Brother John his  
Dearest Daughter who is a very fine little Girl of only  
six years of age and my dear little Nancy; my dear  
John I have left with our good friend M<sup>r</sup> Purph  
I have had the pleasure to receive several letters  
from him since my arrival here all which have  
afforded me the greatest pleasure and Comfort  
we had a very short passage of only seven and  
twenty days; your Cousin my dear Nancy made  
a very good sailor and I myself have received great  
benefit from the voyage with regard to my health  
no doubt you will wonder that I have not wrote

you sooner. But the scene of troubles which I have  
gone through since my arrival here will I hope be  
a sufficient apology; upon my arrival here  
I found my dear father no more whose loss  
I much regret and my beloved mother in a  
very weak state who you may be sure occupied my  
whole time and attention but thank God our  
presence has greatly revived her and she is  
now much better though still but very weak -  
I shall be happy to have a few lines from you  
soon; you will please remember me kindly  
to Mr<sup>rs</sup> Maggy to Mr<sup>rs</sup> Waghunt and their  
families and all other inquiring friends in  
strumness my dear Nancy joins me in best  
Compliments to you and Mr<sup>r</sup> Johnston not  
forgetting your dear little ones; hoping to hear  
from you soon believe me to be truly

your affectionate Aunt  
Margaret Johnston

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