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Hilmarney 9th March 1801

My Dear M^{rs} Johnston

I received your much
esteemed favor of the 4th January and was sorry to
learn that your young ones were in the Chien Cough
I hope by this time they are greatly better which I will
long to hear of but cannot expect to have that
pleasure before (please God) we arrive at Quebec as
the vessel we go in will sail about the 20th of this
month, I hope you will continue to write me as
usual there. the vessels name we go in is the Countess
of Darlington from Ayr.

Gladly my dear friend would I have payed
you and the rest of our good friends, in the Orfneys
a visit without entertaining the least fears of
crossing the jettland firth had my dear mother
been either in a state that I could have left
or that she could have accompanied me on the

visit; but neither being the case I must submit
though I assure you that I will not leave Scotland
without regretting my not having had that pleasure
how happy should I have been to have seen you
and your dear little family; I am pleased to
hear that your little James so much resembles
your much regretted uncle I may be be spared
to be a comfort to you and a blessing to society

I am happy to learn that you correspond
with your sister in law; that your Brother is
doing so well and that he has made such a ~~prudent~~
prudent choice in a wife I wish them all happy-
ness. The news of the return of M^r Wingham to
his family is pleasing news indeed; I congratulate
M^{rs} Wingham with all my heart and I hope they
will live happy; for poor women she has had
her own troubles which I hope are now all over.
my dear Nancy is very well she sends her love

to you and says she will write you from Quebec
you will please to give my Compliments to M^r
Johnston I have not had the pleasure to receive
the letter you mentioned his intention of writing
me in your last though I have long waited with
expectation for it; pray remember me to all
our good friends in the Orkneys; and now my Dear
I must take my leave of you on this side the
great Ocean without even having ^{had} the pleasure
of seeing you but no more of that let us still
hope to have that happiness; my Dear Nancy
my mother & Brother joins me in best wishes for
your M^r Johnston and family's happiness and
believe me to be my Dear

M^{rs} Johnston your
Loving aunt
Margaret Johnston

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