

Dear Sir

Luebe 9<sup>th</sup> Novem<sup>r</sup>. 1737 D15/3/11

We have the pleasure to learn by your much  
esteemed favour of 16<sup>th</sup> February last that your family and  
all friends in the Orkinies then enjoyed one of the greatest blessings  
in Life good health, we have also the satisfaction to inform  
you that all your friends here at present, thank God are well.  
your Sister in Law much recovered from a sensible affliction she  
for sometime <sup>felt</sup> from the Loss of their young Son James who was  
suddenly cut off, after he was thought out of danger in the small  
Pox for which he was innoculated, & had a heavy Load, being as  
promising a Boy as ever was born, the first that Mr Johnston  
was able to suckle, & then at the Breast, no wonder that it occasioned  
her much Concern.

We have desired Mr Brymer to remit you when he hath  
for us Fifty pounds on your Son's Acct. and twelve pounds for  
Interest of your Daughters money

Wishing you long continuance of good health & every earthly  
Blessing we remain sincerely

Mr Joshua Johnston  
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