Addressed to: Mr John Johnston, Stromness

From: Mr John Urquhart, Thurso 11 Sept 1779

Thurso 11<sup>th</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 1779

Dear Broy<sup>r</sup>,

Inclosed you have a letter that was wrote this four days past still waiting Mr Falconer but this morning I am made to understand by calling at Colnol MacKay that he set off and likewise Miss Nancy whom I blame more than Mr Falconer whom I really thought would have not used me such. For I being torn (?) what engaged in this way of my business would have lead my attention of knowing minutely what time they would have sett off. But I am hopefull I shall be forgiven as this was no negligence of mine. I am hopefull you will write me a long letter to Tain at xx cover about Mrs Urquart's letter and you may depend on a handsom return on receipt of the same, with all the confessions (?) you possibly can send. You will be so good as give my best respects to Mrs Urq<sup>t</sup>, father, mother & family &

Remain with reciprocal xxxxxx (?)

Your dear broy<sup>r</sup> .....

NB Excuse haste but do not forget me to Mrs Halcrow