

Addressed to: Mr Joshua Johnston, Writer in Stromness, Orkney

From: Mrs Capt. Halcro

Quebec Nov^r 16th 1783

Honor'd Parents,

I have the pleasure to acquaint you of my safe arrival the 15 Joun and injoyed the happy meeting with my dear husband & all other friends. Mr Halcro continues in the same employ & I hope we will doo very well but this is a very extravagant place. The magar part of the inhabitants is French and all very lazy (?)

The first nous that I heard on my arrival in Quibec was that Uncle James was joust to be married which my brother is wrot you the whole histry of. All ants and famallys & us dind with Uncle last Sunday being the day he was Church'd with his young wife.

My little Betsy is allways talking of her Grandpapa and tells her friends that his howse and garden is prettier than any she sees hear and often wishes to see you. My brother stays at Uncl's & is better pleas'd with his lodgings than he was last winter. And I have the pleasure to aquaint you that he is on a very good footing with Uncle and Mr Purse. Please to give my love to Ant John..... and all friends and shall write to her. I shall add no more at present but joins with my husband in wishing you a happy new year and am dear father & mother

your ever affectionate and dutyfull daughter

Margrat Halcro