

Addressed to: Mr Joshua Johnston in Stromness

From: Mr Samuel Murray, Kirkwall 30 July 1788
Favour Mr Allan, concerning kelp acco^t

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Mr Jo: Johnston,

Sir

I was duly favoured with yours of the 26th curr^t. The want of cash prevented me from complying with your request. I have now lent you by Mr Peter Allan six guineas at your debit.

You may depend upon my lending you the bill in Edin^h soon that you want & even if an xxxxxxx should be put into my hands as you suspect, I will fullfill my engagements with you so that you may rest satisfied.

I am for Mr Laing

Sir

Your most Ob^t Serv

Sam^l Murray

Kirkwall 30 July 1788

Sir

When in Edinburgh I received a letter from Mr G Laing for you which I now send you inclosed. The attention you paid him & the readiness with which you obliged him in showing him your curious stones etc is the cause of his writing you & from a desire of being further acquainted with you.

I beg leave to make offer of my best respects to Mrs Johnston & all your family. I am

Sir

Your most ob & h serv

Sam^l Murray