Addressed to: Mr Joshua Johnston in Stromness

From: Mr Samuel Murray, Kirk<sup>1</sup> 28 Nov<sup>r</sup> 1788, concerning kelp acc<sup>ts</sup>

Kirkwall 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1788

Mr Joshua Johnston,

Sir

I was favourd with yours of  $24^{th}$  curr<sup>t</sup> advising of the balance £16.11.8½ on your acc<sup>t</sup> with me in my fav<sup>r</sup> being right. Inclosed I send you abstract of said acc<sup>t</sup> & by next post shall send you the rect<sup>s</sup> I have on your acc<sup>t</sup>.

How soon I have cash, which may be in a few days, I shall let you have the £5 or £6 you want and as you need a bill on  $Edin^{r}$  for 10 or £12 you shall have it also.

I remain with respect for Mr Laing

Sir

Your most  $ob^t h^l serv^t$ 

Sam<sup>1</sup> Murray

I have sent you inclosed Mr Lindsay's rec<sup>t</sup> for the £25 & Mr Frazer's discharge for cess etc.

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	£70 7 6	11					19
	£70	9					£76
	By 1110 <sup>3</sup> ⁄4 or 13 tons 8 cwt 2 st of Kelp shipped on my acc <sup>t</sup> p <sup>r</sup> the Thomas @ £5.5 p <sup>r</sup> ton	By balance at $M^{\hat{t}}$ Joshua Johnston's debit – new $acc^{\hat{t}}$					
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	1788 June	33	July "	Aug.	Oct <sup>o</sup>	Nov.	

D<sup>r</sup> M<sup>r</sup> Joshua Johnston in Acc<sup>t</sup> Curr<sup>t</sup> with Rob<sup>t</sup> Laing Co<sup>y</sup>

Kirkwall 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1788

Errors excepted Sam<sup>1</sup> Murray for Mr Laing