

**Addressed to:** Mr John Johnston, att Mr Morrison's at Four Tree Hill, Enfield

**From:** Mr Crafts Mackay, London

D<sup>r</sup> Cousin John,

I have just rec<sup>d</sup> your letter inclosed in mine from your father (w<sup>t</sup> one for Mr Brymer) inform<sup>g</sup> me of your sister Halcro being ordered out for Quebec by any transports that my touch at the Orkneys. This will no doubt be very agreeable news to you, therefore am happy to communicate the same, but the uncertainty of transports stopp<sup>g</sup> at the Orkneys is much to be feared. I shall not fail to make the most diligent enquirey & give your father the earliest intelligence. Compose yourself at school as well as you can for the little time you have to stay. If any particular occurrences of any kind, you may depend upon hearing from me. I intend seeing Mr Brymer to morrow morn<sup>g</sup> and also if I find it convenient my probably see you some Sunday when at leisure. I hope you got safe down. I have not seen you your aunt since I parted w<sup>t</sup> you. I conclude w<sup>t</sup> love to you & Cousin Irvin. If you think he is deserving, his watch is done shall deliver it to his aunt tomorrow or Sunday. If any particular news w<sup>l</sup> you let me heare at least in a few days.

I remain your affec<sup>t</sup> cousin

C Mackay

Minories

Friday eve<sup>g</sup> 6 O'Clock