

Addressed to: Mr John Johnston to the care of Mr Joshua Johnston, Stromness, Orkney

From: Henry Taylor, London 28th Novem^r 1789, rec^d 24th Dec^r

Dear Brother,

I am extremely happy I have leisure at last to write you a few lines. I was very much afraid you would think I had forgotten you but the hurry of our business at this time of the year quite debarred me of the pleasure of enquiring after all your healths.

I have rece'd a letter from Scott 28 August dated 14th July 1789 which is not worth transcribing here as you may guess what it contains. I hope you & my sister still continue to enjoy the felicity you mentioned in your letter to my brother & wish it was possible for me to spend a short time with you & my other friends in Scotland who I hope to hear are all well. But as that cannot be I hope you will at least favour me from time to time with a few lines ~~with~~ & an account of the amusements you pursue. If you have heard anything from Cousin Mackay lately let me know how he is & whether he intends returning to England soon.

My brother John has left Doct^r Higgins lately & expects to return to America next March.

With my duty to all my friends & relations & sincere love to my dear Jenny

I remain dear Brother

Yours most sincerely

Henry Taylor

Nov^r 28th 1789
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