

**Addressed to:** Mrs Jane Harris Johnston, Stromness,

**From:** Mr Henry Taylor, London 28 April, rec<sup>d</sup> 13<sup>th</sup> May 1797

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Dear Sister,

I have this day enclosed a note in a case which will convey you my portrait, & account for having it taken which I should not have thought of had the proposal not been made me by an acquaintance, a young man of promising talents in that line.

I have to inform you that my last letters from Quebec convey the same accounts as those of last year. Though I believe there is much likelihood of its being settled finally before now, I have also to inform you that I am shortly to leave this country for Halifax on a concern with M<sup>r</sup> Ja<sup>s</sup> Brymer of this city which I flatter myself & I believe with reason will be productive to both parties. Your letters you will address to me at his house N<sup>o</sup> 11 Garlick Hill, London & he will forward them p<sup>r</sup> first vessel for Halifax.

My brother is appointed purser to a 40 gun ship of which I believe I informed you in my last. I expect to see him in town every day.

M<sup>r</sup> MacNider of Quebec arrived here p<sup>r</sup> last vessel & has been gone to Scotland some months. He expressed some intentions of paying you a visit. Should you see him present my compliments.

If you will favour me with a line directly I may receive it before I sail. With kind remembrance to your husband & all friends & love to your young family & self. Believe me

Dear Sister

Your affectionate brother

H Taylor