

Addressed to: Mr Joshua Johnston, Writer, Stromness

From: Mr Robert Laing, Kirkwall, 8th March 1783

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Sir

I am fav^d with yours of the 5th curr^t. Hugh Yoarston sent me in the bill £17.6.3 which is at the credit of Graemsays acc^t with me. I think myself obliged to you for it.

I would much rather pay your daughter the money here and at any rate it will be more regular and proper for me to take up the rec^t & give her a bill on Mr Innes for it or any part that she does not choise to have in cash with her. Of this please acquaint me and I shall comply with any thing that's most agreeable to her. My sister in Shapinsky certainly expects to see her before she leaves the country or at least to be advised when she intends to leave it so as she may write by her. I am

Sir

Your most obed^t serv^t

Robert Laing