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Dear Father and Mother

I received your kind letters shortly after my arrival in Liverpool. If you only knew how sorry I am for not having answered you would forgive me. The Gamma arrived in Liverpool about a month ago. After a long and rough passage of 10 days. I remained in Liverpool 4 days and then went to Swansea there I spent a very pleasant time. I returned to Liverpool on the 19th. and rowed out into the River yesterday, where we are now waiting for favourable winds. You will be sorry to hear that Captain Rosser is not going in the Gamma this voyage. He is a man that dislikes very much a sea fareing life and is going to try to get a situation on shore. I am going to sea in very low spirits on that account. He was always so very kind to me and ever since I have been with him we never had a quarrel. The Captain of the Gamma now is a young man about 27, this is his second voyage as Captain. I think we will get on very well together as I am still going to live in the after Cabin I am living in hope that this will be my last voyage. I would rather do anything almost than follow the sea. Its such a rough and comfortless life I feel quite shure that if I had the opportunity of remaining home again I would lead a life altogether different to my past life. Please to tell Chatty and Wellie that I have delayed writing so long that I have not time now to write, but will write them from the coast. Tell Ellin Mary to write me as I should like a letter from her very much. Love to Carry Ann, Marion and the girls. Believe me dear Mother and Father to be your

Affectionate sone
Francis Osler

P. S. Please to send me a Dundas paper when you write
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