

Handwritten signature or initials, possibly 'W.P. Graham'.

W. P. Graham

13 South St.

Waltham

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Main body of handwritten text in cursive script, containing the letter's content. The text is dense and covers most of the right page.

Mr. P. Abraham
13 South St.
Baltimore.

Liverpool 18th Aug 1833
S.W.

Dear Brother,

A card with John Carrick's name attached has been left for me this morning saying (as I understand it) that a Mr Robson will call in the course of the morning and would take any thing for you so I embrace the opportunity to write a few lines. Mr Thompson very frequently inquires respecting my Father's Relations &c. and if my Father had any old papers. I mentioned the existence of the certificate of marriage between Daniel Abraham & Rachel Fell (which I have recd) and that there were other old letters. He desired me when I wrote to my Father to say that if he would be kind enough to send them he would be glad to pay the carriage. I told him I believed you had them all & I said you would lend him them. If you will do so you will much oblige both him & myself. He has a very large collection (many volumes I understand) of Manuscripts

which he has collected at a great expense
He is almost childishly curious in such
matters.

Can you tell me if I have any cousins
of the name of Abraham & what of
my Father's Brothers are living. I really
know scarcely any thing about my
family. He knew my Aunt Maria very
well - & said that she was one of the finest
women he ever knew. He has been acquainted
with my Aunt Mary & calls her "Dee".

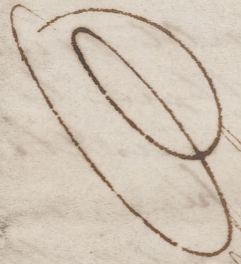
My Aunt Forest returned from Brighton
on Saturday week & looks very much better.
I had a commission from Mr. Thompson
to ask him for an autograph of Mr.
Boylan.

I have not time to write any more. I
shall be glad to hear from you when you
have leisure to write.

Your affectionate Brother
John Abraham

My very old will suit W. J. Do not
omit sending all the old letters you have.
He is also a collector of franks.

with her to be visited & that she did not invite Mary to Edinburgh.
I have no doubt however that something else mortified her
pride & folly. She (Mary) said that she never intended
writing to her cousin again. W. Thompson mentioned
to me one day that a young man of the name of
Zachary had dine with him when Father was former
his partner in partnership. He said that my
Uncle was a very extensive tanner at Tottenham but



Mr. Robert Graham

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that not answering he opened a ready made linen
shop in Bounds ditch which had a very high name - that
he died very suddenly of apoplexy 25 or 30 years ago
& that there was an account of ^{him} in the Gentleman's
Magazine of that time.

Yours

Your affectionate Brother
John Graham

Liverpool Oct 1, 1833

Dear Brother,

I am sorry to put you to expense
through but am obliged to write owing to the absence
from your letter of all instructions for my
guidance. I shall commence by giving a regular
account of my proceedings. I rec^d your parcel
of a Saturday & intended to have commenced
collecting yesterday (Monday) but was prevented
by circumstances. The only time I have at my
own disposal consists of a little in the morning
^{before 10 o'clock}
as circumstances may happen & I am here
from 5 to 6 - allowed for tea but which of
course we are at liberty to employ as we think
proper. First, in the morning, I called on W.
Arnold, who was not in but would be in a few
minutes, went to E. Smith's - W. Langley
was not in but would be at nine - proceeded
to the Chronicle off. where I saw Mr. Pop.
The bill is Adv^{ts} 7/6 Post 10 = 1/4. Mr. R. showed me
^{with a receipt}
a bill for the same Adv^{ts} in the Hull Advertiser charged
Adv^{ts} 7/1 Post 10 = 7/10 Discount 10 which brought it
to 7/1 which sum was all that Mr. Pop would pay
me. Now I had no authority either to allow Disc^t

in to secure charges & consequently I declined
receiving payment till I had further instructions
Then Mr R said that he had only seen at the rate
of 7/11 & that they would not have charged more
for its insertion in their paper. I then called
again at E Smith's & was told that Mr Langley
would not be in till afternoon. Then proceeded
to Mr Arnold's Paper Agent. Paid 9/3 13 papers.
He asked if there was not an indenture to him.
I enquired what was usual - He said 1/2 a lead
paper. I believed this was right & consequently
accepted of 9/4. In the afternoon I called at
E Smith's. Mr Langley had not been there
to day but would be to morrow. During tea hour
I went to Rochester's Mr Gair's for a visit from
Mr & Mrs James's P. Saw Mr M'Gair who
spoke of examining the acct & sending the
amount to me. I replied I would call again
- he spoke of my calling again in the course
of the month. I said in the course of the
week not appearing to notice his month.
I then called on Mr W. W. Ellis who paid me
£ 1.1 - I shall not make any further calls
till I hear from you & shall thank you also
to say when I shall find Mrs & Miss Hamson.

I also if you know the address of John Wybert Esq
There is a person of that name in the Directory
but here represented as a Gentleman. Mr Forest
is in Wales. Please also to say how you will attend to
money. I am much obliged to you for our family his-
tory & glad to hear you to speak so cheerfully of that at
the time in Cashew. I have not had an opportunity
of delivering your message to our Aunt though I
was with her at Chapel of Sunday. It is a pity
quod non see the Mr Robinson who told my father to en-
quire as he was ill & wished to consult you. Mr Thompson
expressed himself much obliged by the parcels
I was very glad you sent them as they atones
for the absence of the old letters & registers. Mr J. is
in correspondence with several Statutes of France
in different parts of the Kingdom & consequently
if he receives more than one of a kind he comes
change them with others who are deficient. I cannot
help saying that I was considerably disappointed
by your not sending the old papers. It is most likely
that Mr J. felt some delicacy in making them
sent to be repaid what is asked and under such a
feeling is necessarily painful. There was not the least
danger - I cannot suppose you perceived there was
of their being either lost or injured & they might if dan-
ger had been returned in a few days. Even if they
had proved no interest in themselves Mr J. would
doubtless have been pleased by the attention to his request
I do not remember left for supposing that other circum-
stances than their want of interest caused their
being withheld. The only reason Mary assigned for quarrelling
with her cousin was that the latter did not love his husband.