

Dec. 13. - Carle - New Red Wheat 15/ to 16/ - New White Wheat 16/ to 18/ -  
Old Red Wheat 16/ to 17/ - Old White Wheat 17/ to 19/ -  
New Potatoe Oats 6/6 to 7/6 - New Common Oats 5/6 to 7/ -  
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Barley 9/ to 11/ - Rye 11/ to 13/ -

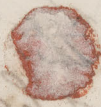
Dear Robert,

Your sister Mary would tell you that I received by Jefferson's parcel the papers to copy - I suppose, that you are in no hurry, so that I may leave them for the wet days, which are sure, almost, to follow this summer-like weather. - Yesterday I received by post a N.W.D. and 2 weeks ago, by parcel, <sup>another</sup> Newspaper; for which I thank you - I did not think of John making the communication which you mention, but it does not surprise me. - you do not seem to know that Bishop Gibson in his edition of Camden's Britannia says that that Hot-bed of Quakerism, Swarthmore Hall, was built by the German General, Swartz, after his defeat in the reign of Henry 7<sup>th</sup>. - But I have read in some History of England, that Swartz was ~~not~~ killed in the engagement. And it seems odd that a defeated German General, especially under the circumstances, should take up his residence in England. - As far as I can gather, <sup>there</sup> ~~there~~ is a pretty general wish here, that John Dixon should supersede James for this place. If ~~the~~ such a proposition were made, I believe that James would be ousted. A change I think much for the worse. James Kipp thinks that Howard would be put out; but he is singular in that opinion so far as I have any communication with ~~the~~ the electors. - It is said, & I believe

that it is so, that John Dixon, on the subject being mentioned to  
him, gives it as his opinion, that no change should be attempted in  
the representation at this time. This is much to his credit. We  
have that little doubt is entertained of his being returned if  
he stood.

Your affectionate Father  
Thomas Abraham.

12, 14, 34-



Record Office  
Mr Robert Abraham

Dear

I received from you on Tuesday a Sun. a letter for Mrs Topping, one for B. S. & a very small parcel for him; and yesterday I rec. by Miss, Dommison's parcel, a bundle of papers & a water proof cloak. I hope that you did not buy the cloak purposely for me. It will be useful, but I could have done without it; I thank you for it & the other things. Mary says, that she received by the parcel Three Pounds Ten Shillings.

I expected to see a hand-bill puff in the Journal of yesterday; but I think that it is not there. - A petition is announced for the repeal of the Stamp on Newspapers, one reason assigned in the petition is the paucity of Newspapers in Cumberland; & it is stated, that from parliamentary returns it appears, that the weekly circulation of the C. Journal is 1269; of the W. Herald 404. The Patriot & packet are likewise mentioned. All this is given as authentic & recent. - The weather continues cold. The black frost, I hear, is making extensive ravages amongst the oats.

Your affectionate Father,

Thomas Abraham - *(ill. conducted)*

5/31/35.

I think that the Journal Office is afraid of the intemperate & unjust attack, in the last Journal but one, on Fletcher. - I think there is little danger. -

1815  
R.L.S.

Mr Robert Abraham  
Herald Office  
Whitehall.

Dear Robert,

B.S. arrived at home about 3 o'clock on Friday. He seems much pleased with his jaunt. - We have heard nothing from your brother later than what I last mentioned. - My pleasure generally a bad crop, eaten to the ground by the birds. Which is generally the case, I understand, & in many instances <sup>they</sup> are re-sown. The row of Stodart's white pea, looks as well as any that I have. - My potatoes look uncommonly well, but the early kind will be rather back, seemingly. - Mary says that she will write to-morrow by W. D's parcel. - I have received two papers which I have not acknowledged, one by post & one by M. J's parcel. I would be obliged if you could conveniently send me a paper or papers reporting pretty fully Lord Russell's speech at Stroud (after his return) & the speeches at Exeter-hall, at the meeting for the protection of religious liberty. - The weather, here, is very fine & vegetation is rapidly advancing. - From your note received <sup>on</sup> Tuesday gone a-week, I conjecture that the weather with you had been much warmer, than with us. - I often wonder, that you use that ugly "Hibernicism," "Is being", in place of the present participle. It is the expedient of a foreigner to avoid using the present active participle, passively. An English Idiom. And the expedient fails.

I am, Dear Robert,

Your affectionate Father,  
Thomas Abraham.

5/24/35.

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Mr Robert Graham

Herald Office

Whitehaven

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(Dear mother,

The last Herald was wrong dated. - I like Steel Pens well, - they make writing easy, but they have a fault in requiring to too often dip into the sack ink as can be bought. I suppose the very thin ink which I used to make would suit them, or if they were constructed with more of the circle, the inconvenience would be less. - I expect to send you the abridgement of the act, by W. D.'s first parcel. - The way that I am writing it, I think that I could send it as a double letter. - I do not remember more of the agreement, than that it was to cease with the ~~majority~~ majority. When that will take place I do not know, & could hardly obtain the knowledge of properly. - If W. D.'s parcel does not leave here on Monday the 14<sup>th</sup>, I shall probably send the abridgement by post this day week. If I so send it, I shall, I suppose, have to write on both side of one or more of the leaves, but that, with numbered pages, can produce little inconvenience, when you have it in good time.

B. Simpson has been dangerously ill. - a blood vessel broke about the entrance of the Windpipe. - that I suppose was but a symptom. He is getting better, & with care may perhaps keep so. - J. Ripant yesterday evening to his wife at Bowness, where she is staying about a fortnight. J. R. looks very well, Mr. R. looks very ill. - worse - I should suppose is ill, & likely to be so. - The qualifications of our givers great dissatisfaction here - but it has unmasked the Tories in capital style - and it will not answer their purpose here. Lord John Russell seems quite to have <sup>over</sup>valued Sir R. Peet's rate qualification. The best highest Rate was less objectionable. - you would see, I suppose, that D. O'Connell will receive a public dinner at Manchester to morrow, & in Edinburgh probably on Wednesday. It is wonderful how he has increased in favour here, & I expect will be warmly received as he passes through.

Your affectionate Father,  
Thomas Abrahams

9/6/35.

Mr Robert Graham

Post Office  
Whitehaven

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Dear Sir

I have to thank you for a Sum since I was

J. Lowrie says, that his mother will pay you Aft this week. I  
rather wonder, that none of the families either at Evening Hill, or at  
Cumbusham, called to tell us of T. Rumney's death; we did not  
know until we saw it mentioned in the Journal. - I conjecture, that  
J. Pollock will get the whole of his property. Money I should think  
there will be none.

your affectionate Father  
Thomas Abraham.

12/30/35.

My dear Brother

I received the letter and portfolio  
which you sent about a fortnight ago, and  
for which I am much obliged to you.

We received a parcel from Liverpool  
on Friday, containing letters from Aunt F  
and John: also a letter which John had  
got from R. Sheppard, and from which  
it appears that he had been ill for some  
time, but that he was <sup>then</sup> ~~now~~ in a fair  
way of recovering. My Aunt and Mr. F.  
are as well as usual. I am entirely  
without money, and I owe something for  
rates and other ~~and~~ and I have both

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Mr Robert Graham  
Gerald Office  
Whitehaven

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Dear Sir,  
I have the pleasure to inform you that  
the same has been forwarded to you  
by the same conveyance as the  
other papers which I have the  
honor to acknowledge the receipt  
of from your office for the  
purpose of being forwarded to  
the same.