

41, Gilmore Place  
Edinburgh

7<sup>th</sup> April  
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My dear Principal Dawson

I duly received your  
kind letter of 6<sup>th</sup> ulto enclosing  
P.O. Order 29/4, which sum I regard  
your account to the end of 1882, &  
I thank you for it.

After posting my letter of 16<sup>th</sup>  
July, my head awoke me on ac-  
count of concluding sentences of it;  
not that it was stranger than fact, yet  
I thought on reflection that it w<sup>d</sup>

have been more fitting if I  
had simply reciprocated the kind  
Dear words with which you wrote,  
and desired that the same blessings  
which you had wished me to enjoy  
might be fully realized by you  
and your family, and further, ex-  
pressed a hope that we  
all might be enabled to hold fast  
the faith unto the end, that is which  
I desire for us all.

As I have now passed my  
80<sup>th</sup> birth day, I sent you a photograph  
taken recently, and the Pellegrini

very properly addressed it to  
Mr. Lawson - I hope you will  
receive it safely.

I have nothing else particular  
to write - we are all in the goodness  
of God, in health at present.

With kindest regards to you  
all from all here

Yours sincerely  
Peter Bell

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