

Woodburne St.
July, Dec 22^{1/2}

Dear Dr. Owen,

Egasa is a name not to
be met than I imagined. The Scotch
historians and English chroniclers give
variously long accounts of the battle
but not one hints the origin of the name.
Their spelling is very different: I find two A.S.
MSS. writing Egesanstan (a manifest error
but one that carries meaning as Egasa
is the A.S. poeth word for fear.) O.
will possibly show himself in some
archaeological or geographical work.

Very sincerely,
Chas. Lyell

Morse
Dec 22



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