

Dunder 10th August 1842

Dear Miss Mear

I know not whether Eliza has yet
written you since her return, but
this will inform of their safe arrival
after a fine passage of 6 hours. We
were much disappointed at your not
accompanying them, but hope shortly
to have the pleasure of a visit from
you & Mr Mear. I shall do every
thing in our power that can contribute
to make your stay lengthened & agreeable.

Father & I are quite delighted
with this jaunt & wish to be
kindly remembered to you all

May you will accept my best thanks
for the favour you were kind enough
to send me it is the Landowner's article
of the kind I ever saw, & must have
cost you a deal of labour

I would feel much obliged if you would
take the trouble to buy for me from
J. Stille Edinburgh a copy of the
New Tariff & Income Tax Act
& send it per Mail I will send the
price when I know it, I am ashamed
to trouble you about such a matter
but I cannot procure a copy here &
therefore hope you will pardon the freedom
I thus take in asking you to send it -
With best regards to Mrs. W. Mercer
& all friends I am

Yours sincerely
Alex. Hood

I fear you will scarcely
be able to read this Journal
I have much need to go to
School again
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