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all night, when I was reading your yesterday morning
they happened all to march into the room, so I said,
here is a letter from aunt Mary, all pushed for
part in a moment, with what does she say, I said,
she sends her love to all of you, what have you today
in return, George said "Thank you", Alfred & Thomas
the same. Jessie, tells her to come & stay all night, and
she will see me, for it is a long time since we have
seen her; this is G. R. second year at school he is
a very good reader & speller, he had begun writing
gets singing along with the chaps; & Jessie, I have
gone to the dancing about a fortnight ago, I have
also sent Jessie to Miss Shields where she learns
reading, sewing & knitting, Alfred still speaks badly
but is a very affectionate noble & pretty boy, he is the
best looking & obedient to the very letter, to sum up
when they came in to the room two nights ago, with
their faces newly pruned, their hair combed. The tears
came down my face when I saw them, for I thought I never
had seen 3 more beautiful children in one family
you will be saying what had come over Marion now?
when she can talk so of her own children, very unlike

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her, but you have this ^{time} got my private opinion.

We have at length got comfortably settled in our new house, with painting & papering we did not get move till the end of July, and after we came, had still a great deal to do, we have a fine garden behind, about twice as large as the last, which looks into a large park behind, behind that again, Arthur seat, which I often think if it was not for it, I could see Mother sitting at her window, She & Papa dined with me yesterday, along with Mrs Henderson, Miss Lorie & Mr Gordon, Miss V. desires to be kindly remembered to you she is to be at Armistone Place, for a few days next week they came from Dundee to Miss Jane Munro's marriage who has gone to reside in Glasgow, Mr A. Pirie has furnished his cottage in a most splendid manner, and is now going to reside in it. his Grand cost a hundred guinea you will have seen by the papers that Miss Frances Walker is married & gone to Bruce Edwards Island.

Mr Belle's family are all well at present, also Mrs Jeffrey's & also Mrs Walters, I have not had the washing receipt from her, indeed, I hear nothing of you except from your self, perhaps I may hear by chance that such a one