

Marion Premise
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40 Queens Road
Grousewood Park
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My dear Sister Margaret

Your of 17th Sep came
duly to hand, many thanks
for the prompt manner
in which you answered
mine, and all the good
news it contained, was
glad to hear you were
all well, and delighted
to hear that Anna was
engaged to a gentleman

with whom you were all
so much pleased, I trust
her married life will be
a very happy one, give her
my love & congratulations,
the preparations for the
event will keep you busy
all winter.

I was very much disappointed
I did not see your son
William when in London,
had a letter from Helen Kemp
the day after I wrote you

Telling me he was in Edin:
but when George saw it, he
said, Oh, there was a Mr.
Dawson left his card at
our office on Saturday, when
I was out; I asked if there
was a direction on it, but
he said no, so I sat in the
house for a few days, think-
ing he would call but I
suppose he had not time.
I am glad to hear he will
have some companions in
Paris it will not make it so

dull for him, being the first
time he has been from home.
I hope you have had good
accounts from George, was
glad to hear he had succeeded
so well with his first discov-
eries, and hope he will be
even more successful this
time, but I would think the
journey would be attended
with much danger,
next time you write tell
me of the two youngest.

Now I am happy to inform
you that Marion gave birth
to a daughter on Saturday
last the 30th inst. although
it was very unexpected, she
was not looking for it for three
weeks (she is a very pretty
little healthy baby,) both
are doing well, about a
month ago Marion took
a bad cold and the cough
racked her so it caused such
a pain in her side that
some days she had to keep

in bed all day, but last
week feeling a good deal
better she thought she
would pay me a last visit
before the expected event, so
came up on Thursday, staid
all night, and went home
on Friday evening, you may
judge of my surprise on
receiving a telegram the next
night saying she had got
a daughter and how
glad I was she was home.

of course, I went down at
once and saw her, staid
till Monday, and going down
again tomorrow to stay
some time with her,

Mr Gray is a cigar importer
& tobaccoist, he comes
from Ayr, his father is
Manager of the Bank of Scotland
there, and also practices as
an lawyer. Mr G. is very tall
and fair, Marion and he
seem to be very happy together
they have a very handsome home
and very thing comfortable.

I will enclose a carte, which
will give you a little idea
what he is like, although
it is not a very good one,
you will likely have heard
that Maria Lemmi had a
daughter on the 24th of Augt
Jane Lemmi has two sons,
all Mr Pelli's family are well
just now: what a number
of changes have taken place
in our family this last
year.

Mr Pleghorn has sold his
business in Solkith they

and they are going to leave
the place, but it is not
yet decided where they will
now settle down.

I am now getting a little
more reconciled to London
although it is still very
dull. I feel the want of the
Church so much, there is
not a nice one near here
and the English service is
so different from ours.
Had a letter from Uncle Marcus
the other day, he says Aunt is

very much improved now,
in her health.

I expect Alfred, Charles, and
Alice up at Xmas, had
a long letter from Alfred
this morning, what a transport
he is to me!

The weather here has been
very unsettled for a long time,
it is very cold & changeable,
it is expected to be a very
severe winter, but I hope
the weather prophet will
be outwitted. your ever
loving sister MARRIOTT