

Alex. Scott

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My dear Mrs Dawson,

My letter
half would have written you
a note this morning, but seeing
so many visitors & old friends she
is in consequence somewhat tired -
you were so kind to me when
under your hospitable roof that
I will do the least I can do, to
write & thank you for all your
kindness - which I shall never forget -
I hope before very long to have the
pleasure of welcoming some of yours
to our home in Scotland when I
will try to reciprocate - we all
spent a very happy week with
you & yours - and will with warm

heads, think of our happy visit
to our friends at Little Meton -
notwithstanding that I was not
very well - Indeed thoroughly enjoyed
my stay - I hope the married
bees are still holding up their
heads - I also that our cow
is continuing to improve & give great
satisfaction - I see one pass here
every morning - similar in colour -
but with horns - ^{and} of course not
nearly so handsome as Doctor
Hartington's bonnie cow -

I had letters from home yesterday,
the weather still continues unpardonable
in the North of Scotland & the crops
suffering - particularly the turnips -
which will be a great loss to
Aberdeenshire -

All our friends here are well - we
are going a picnicing today to
dear old Castro - Maggie's son
is also in Victoria - she had letters

from home on Saturday last -
poor little Carrie's health is now
improving much -

Aggie & Minnie join me in
kindest regards to all your family
circle, and kisses to dear little
Edith & mother Eric -

Ever yours truly
A. Beck

Got here on Saturday night -
when at Miramichi I had a
relapse of my complaint, & took
a strong dose from a doctor which
made me a sort of stupid all
day after - I am, however, all right
thill now, but expect shall have
to exercise care for some time.



*Large
house*

