

Mr S. Atkin

Rich Perry

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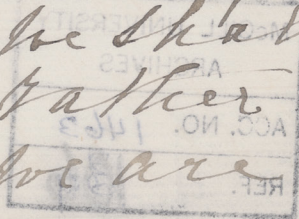
My dear Lady Dawson

I hoped to have
written to you long ere this
and am ashamed to think
how the time has passed
without my having sent
anything on its wings to
assure you and Sir William
of our happiness in the
prospect of our families
becoming somewhat at
least united, in the con-
sumation of Hope's long
desire to let you of your
daughter, we know of course
what a loss and trial
this will be to you, we
must however you will
be drawn all the closer
to the old country by
having a child settled
here where you have

so many friends, we are
very glad to think you
will not feel herself in
a land of strangers, on
the contrary she has so
many warm admirers
that I am constantly
being congratulated that
she is coming to us, we
shall do what lies in
our power to forward her
happiness. I assure you,
we do not at yet meet with
a house perfect in all
respects, so I fear may
have to take one that
will come short of our
desires but in these days
of locomotion that is
not so very serious,
we feel it to be desirable
that Hope should not be
too far away from us

on his father's account or
from Brook Jerry where he
has many interests, es-
pecially in connection
with the Cong. Church
which as you may per-
haps know is very dear
to Mr. Atkins's heart, as
I write he is busy with
the auditing of the
financial accounts for
the Annual Meeting as
he is the Treasurer.

Hope will I think have
mentioned in one or two
of his long epistles how
recessed we have been
entertaining friends to a
ball, dinner and mu-
sical parties, but after
the 10th I hope we shall
be able to live rather
more quietly, we are



only just recovering from an
Influenza, & Mamma has been
very prostrate & Mr. Atkin
from that & other causes had
to keep his rooms for a few
days, but happily all are
better today. Hope and
Susan are gone to the day
of our Subscription (went
tonight in Wickhead.
And now dear Lady, I close
with our kindest regards
and an earnest hope
that ere very long we
may have the joy of wel-
coming you all in
Garden Park. Believe me
Yours most truly
Emily Atkin

