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My Dear Anna,

Mamma yesterday left here for Edinburgh, where she has several things to finish up before her departure. She leaves next Saturday morning at 10 o'clock for Liverpool, & I am going over then, of course to say good bye to her. So you see I am now again to all intents & purposes left here alone. Papa's & Mamma's visit here seems to have passed so very quickly now that it is over, & though it could not be called short, still it seems so when one thinks of how long it was looked forward to. My time of stay at Burtonland is

also drawing to a close. We  
leave next Wednesday, & from here  
I go to stay with Aunt Primrose  
for the next fortnight or so. Then  
a fortnight at Selmore Place, &  
then London again for the  
winter. I have wasted a  
great deal of time here, & feel  
quite ashamed when I think  
of all I might have done, &  
meant to do. I have really  
done so little in the way of  
sketching, reading or anything  
else.

We were very sorry to hear that  
no letter arrived by one of the mails  
lately. We have written quite  
regularly every week, & I can  
only suppose that the fault was  
with the Burntisland postal  
arrangements. Failing to connect  
with the steamer or something  
of that kind.

We have been doing nothing worthy  
of record here lately. We seem to  
take some long walk or excursion  
once in a while & then for a long  
time content ourselves with going  
very short ones. Last week  
we started about 3 in the afternoon  
& went for quite a long walk.

Right away up the coast to about  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile from Kiskaldy to  
the ruin called seafort tower which  
I think I have already mentioned.

We visited that ruin & also the  
Kingshorn Cave & I did a little  
geology on the way back. Altogether  
we walked before we got back  
again to tea, (about 8) 10 miles or  
nearly as we could guess.

Coming home I thought I saw a  
shorter route but none of them  
would chance it - but Maria. By  
taking it - we saved about half  
a mile & they got home some

time before the others.

With mamma I am sending you  
a little book some things in which  
are rather clever, but on the whole  
I do not recommend it. I had  
only seen some things from it - when  
I bought it. Try the "Jackday of  
Abims" "Adventure at Maryate" &c  
Some of the ~~strange~~ versification is  
very queer & quaint.

Ellen has come over here again  
& your household now consists for a  
time of her, Christina, Maria, & Jessy  
It is very pleasant but I only wish  
I was free to go home with mamma,  
& see you all at any rate for a  
short time.

You very kindly advise me to take  
scholarships &c. I might answer by  
quoting. "I would if I could" &c Next year I  
don't think there are any or at any rate  
not any of which I have the least chance.  
There are some prizes of book I think.

With ~~what~~ very best love

Yours affectionately  
George

Burntisland  
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Subject of Miss Dawson  
Scholarships!

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