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My dear George

I begin on a half
whet, being an economical woman, under
strong conviction that next month will
be the best time to find you in Edin.
We have had very hot & extremely calm
weather since you left. Last night & this
morning is the first time a slight breeze has
gently stirred the leaves. It is also a little cooler.

Papa received your letter written, "off
Duchie", the Sunday after you left, but not
get any post-fishes down the River.

We were glad to know you found the
provisions & cooking good. I hope you
are prudent enough to keep your provisions
store for the latter end of your voyage, but
it may be long & your fresh provisions are
exhausted.

I deemed last night that you had
returned having left the ship about
Taspi. & the reason for your doing so
was, that Cap. Slater insisted upon towing
the ship all the way across stern foremost;
which put you on a most uncomfortable
slope which you told me would certainly
hurt your back, & that you would not
stand being jostled.

By this mail I have written to Mr. Bell
asking him to attend personally to getting
your clothes carefully fitted. I am immensely
anxious about them. I do hope you will suc-
ceed in getting both the style suitable,
& the fit good.

After you left I thought of a number of
quite a number people you should have
said goodbye to. Gordon, Perry, Gormy, Cumpha
Mr. Malson, Mr. Redpath. & My thoughts were
occupied more with those you were going to, than
those you were leaving. Mr. Butler has not yet sent
the address of his nephew's lodgings. Believe me love
your affectionate Mother.