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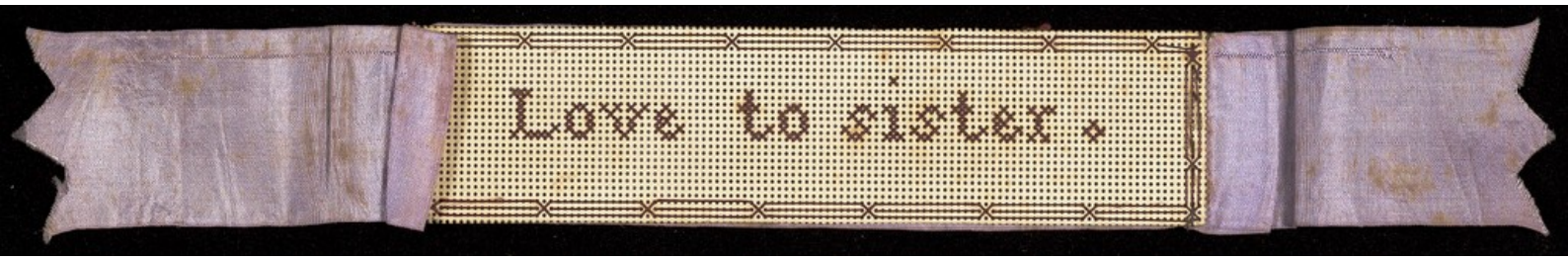
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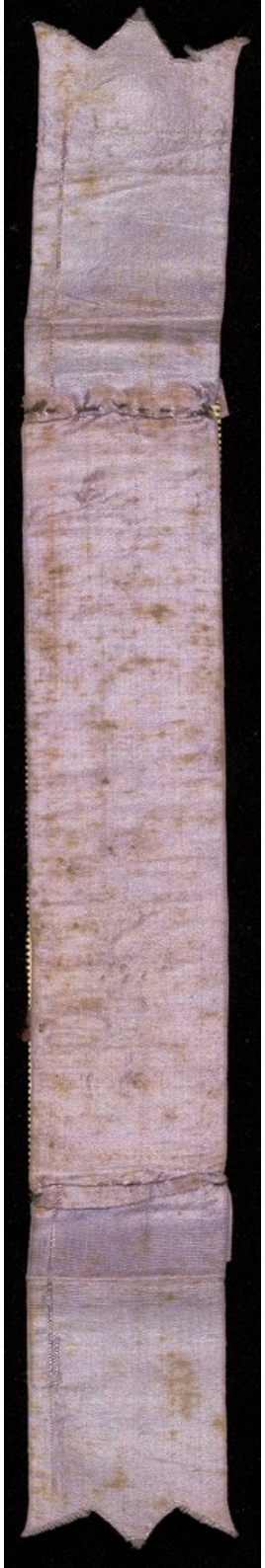

Elizabeth Lindsey to her

affectionate Father

A Peaceful Eastertide.

Christ is risen
to-day we cry,
Now He lives
no more to
die.

LOVE poises earth in space, Love rolls,
Wide worlds rejoice on their poles,
And girds them round with aureoles.

Love lights the sun, Love thro' the dark
Lights the moon's evanescent arc,
Lights up the stars, lights up the spark

O ye who taste that love is sweet,
Set waymarks for all doubtful feet
That stumble on in search of it.

Sing notes of love: that some who hear
Far-off inert may lend an ear,
Rise up and wonder and draw near.

Lead life of love: that others who
Behold your life, may kindle too
With love, and cast their lot with you.

CHRISTINA ROSSETTI.

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Robert Lindsey.

To be opened the evening following
the sailing of the vessel.

Prince L. Kamehameha begs to acknowledge the receipt of Mr and Mrs Lindsays kind letter of the 23rd Inst. together with some books, which he most thankfully accepts.

Honolulu
April 25th 1860

Tuesday 25th of 11th Mo 1815

My Son Robert I wrote to thee on the 30th of last mo And sent thee a parcel by Coach containing Thy top Coat and some other articles Should wish Thee to write and inform us whether it was received if Thou art well And how Thou art coming on in learning &c ... We are all of us pretty well at present .... Have nothing further to add only to desire Thy strict attention to the instruction and directions of Thy Master and Mistress ... which will be a satisfaction to Thy Father

Richd Lindsey

Mr. Samuel Hopkins
Merchant
Providence
Rhode Island

FEB 1

Wait on the Lord ye son's of Men
Nor fear when tyrants frown
Ye shall confess their pride was vain
When justice casts them down

The haughty sinner Have I seen
Not fearing man nor God
Like a tall bay tree fair and green
Spreading his arms abroad

And lo he vanish'd from the ground
Destroy'd by hands unseen
Nor root nor branch nor leaf was found
Where all that pride had been

But mark the man of Righteousness
His several steps attend
True pleasure runs through all his ways
And peacefull is his End

Copied from a Book which I met with at a friends house

Ackworth School 18th of 6th mo. 1813.

Dear Mother;

Thinking a few lines would be acceptable, I may inform thee that I am in good health. Cousin Joseph Hoyle informed me, that Father was coming over to England; but the Ship in which he was coming was taken by the Americans. As Joseph is not certain whether he is now in America or not, I should be very glad to have a letter from thee, or any other of my Relations, informing me particularly about him. I am now learning Mensuration of Superficies. I should be very glad to see thee or any other of my Relations, at the General Meeting, which will be the 28th of next month. The grass in the meadows grows very fast, so that we shall soon begin to make hay, an employment we like very much.

I should like to know how Grandmother is, with regard to health; for I have not heard from her since I wrote to her last quarter. I still continue to like my situation prelty well, and am comfortable. I should like to have a letter from either of my Sisters, and to know when Sister Martha is to come to Ackworth; for I think her name must be almost first on the List. The weather here has of late been pretty fine, so that we have again commenced bathing, which I like pretty well. The bath is about a quarter of a mile from the School and we go as soon as we get up, about a third of us at a time. I remain, with dear love to thee, Grandmother, Sisters, Uncles, Aunts, Cousins, and all other Relations and Inquirers,

Thy affectionate Son,

Robert Lindsey.

Ackworth School, 12th mo. 23d. 1814.

Dear Parents,

Expecting this to be the last opportunity of writing a letter, that I shall have whilst I am at Ackworth, I readily embrace it, to inform you, that I am in good health; and hope this will find you, and the rest of my Relations at Gildersome, the same. The weather here of late has been very windy, so that the wind has blown out several panes of glass; the whole of one window was blown out, and shattered to pieces. I am now learning Navigation. I shall expect Father here about the 20th ~~of~~ of next month, to fetch me home; and hoping to see you soon, I shall conclude with dear love to you, Sisters, Grandmother, and other Relations at Gildersome, and remain

your affectionate Son,
Robert Lindsey.

P. S. Uncle John Hoyle and Family are well.
Please give my love to John Ellis and Family.

Scarborough 14th of 3th Mo 1818

My Dear / Having this opportunity I now write to inform Thee of my still being pretty well Hoping thou art the same But in Thy next tell me particularly how Thou hast been since I saw Thee last and my little Martha likewise . . . . I have only received one letter from Thee which came on Seventh day . . every time thou writes mention when the last letter was sent and what it contained And then I can have an Idea whether I receive all The letters which are sent or not . . But Thou need not write to me only when there is letters from other places to send . And I would have thee send every letter that comes so that when any letters comes thou had better have them got ready in the forenoon

least they should be too late for the post — —

Be careful and do not harrass Thyself too much in my Business . . . tell Richd Buttery to take two pieces or four which came from Joseph Parker I mean those which are the same length and the same sort and let them be sowed together and raised But those which are not the same lengths must not be cut they must remain untill I come home —

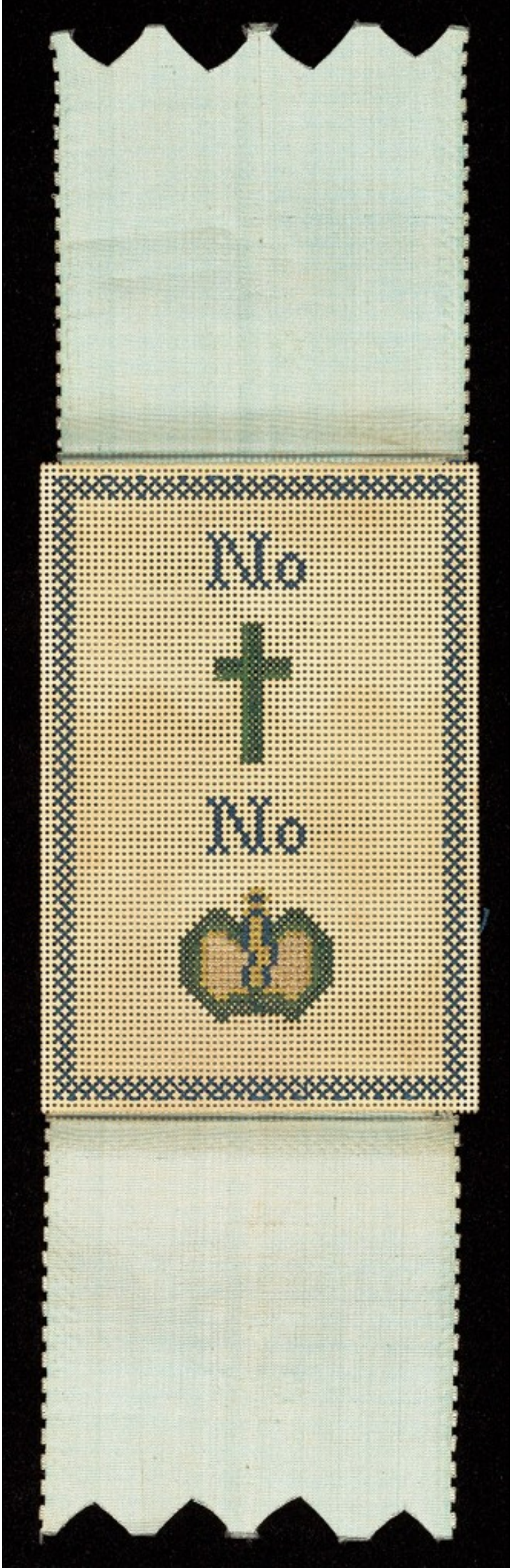
If Rosetta Sanderson should be taken ill I wish Thee to pay attention to her with the first — And desire our men and lads who work there to be very steady and to behave very well and not to run about and make a noise but to mind their work — A friend from Ackworth was here and is now gone by whom I have sent a letter to our little Esther

I hope Martha will be very good very attentive and obedient to Thee during my absence than

which I scarcely know any thing would afford more satisfaction should I be permitted once more to see you . . . . Sister S: E desires her kind love . . And hope I may say is on the mending hand she goes to warm Baths three days in the week . . And does not Bath in the sea —

I believe we are both of us more comfortable than we should have been with a great deal of company . . . . . Let Martha direct the letters sent to me and do thou examine the direction least she should make a mistake . . Ideed I think Martha might write all the letters very well and thou can tell her what . . deliver this letter to Joseph Bilbrough the first suitable opportunity and press on him for a Bill — Remain affectionately with dear Love R: Lindsey

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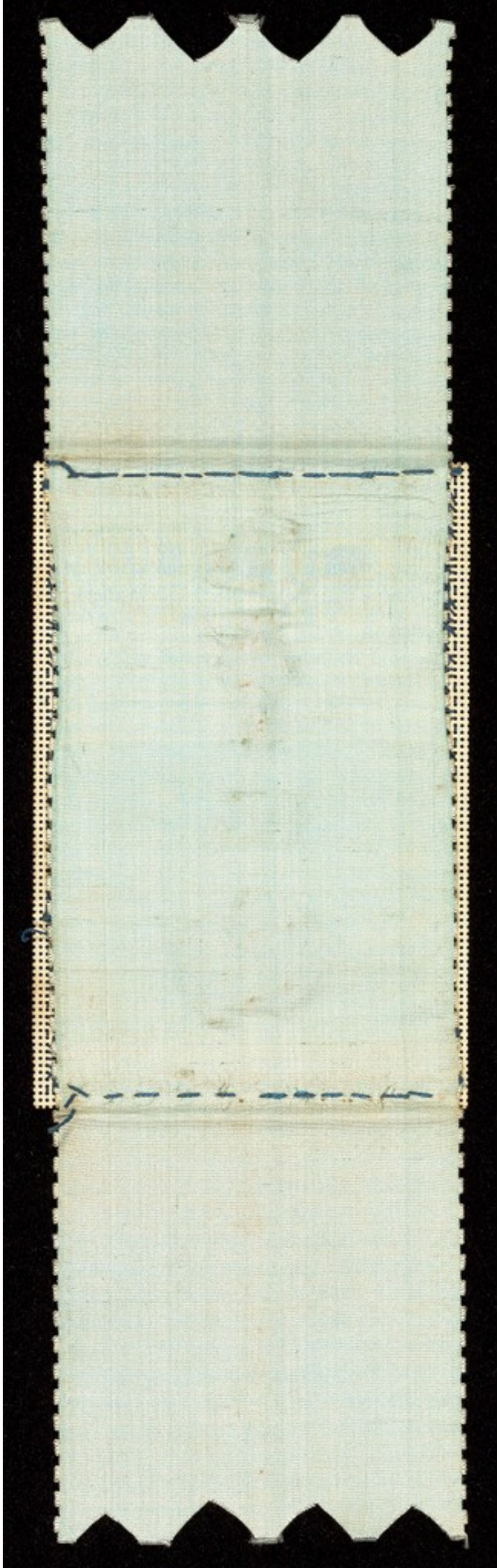

Sarah Ann Lindsey to her

affectionate Father.

My dear Robert

Quebec 28th of 10th Mo 1811

Thy letter to me dated 8th of 8th Mo is now brought by the Vessell Called the Buttonwood which arrived here at this port after a passage of near ten weeks from Liverpool — On reading thy letter I am pleased to observe thy improvement in writing since I left home by which I am induced to hope thou has also improved in reading to which branch of learning I wish particularly to turn thy attention at present & I have no doubt but that if thou assiduously attend to thy Masters Instructions in that respect (and hope thou will be very careful to do so) thou will soon learn to read as well as to speak with propriety — I desire thee to make a practice of reading to thy mother at any time when thou has an opportunity of being in her Company — If thou art still at John Ellis's School on the receipt of this letter I have particular cause to desire thee to be at all times very carefull and mindfull in strictly following and attending to the directions and instructions which may from time to time be given thee by John and Mary Ellis as well as by their daughters Sarah and Eliza — And it will be a satisfaction and pleasure to me when I hear of that being the Case at same time I shall be much grieved to hear any thing to the Contrary on thy account but which I do hope will not be the Case — Now with regard to thy Conduct towards the other Boys I must desire thee to be very much on thy guard and exceeding careful not to offend any of them in word or deed and even should it happen that any of them should offend thee by any means or do any thing to thee which thou may think wrong do not be angry but endeavour to bear it with patience and rather shew a kind disposition towards them than otherways or at least go out of their Way & be always ready to convince them that thou art willing to return good for evil — Before I close my letter there is one thing I wish to impress on thy mind & that is never to suffer a single word to come out of thy mouth which is not strictly true — When thou writes to me again take only half a sheet of thin paper and rule thy lines very close — Thou must consider that paper is expensive but the postage is still more expensive for large letters

Richd Lindsey

Robert Lindsay

My dear Father

I hope thou will
becoming home soon,
I remember walking
with thee in the gar-
den before thou went to Ame-
rica, and thou told me
to be a good girl, and do
as Mother bid me

Remain thy affecton
ate little girl,
Elizabeth Lindey.

11. mo 29 — 1849.

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Prairie Lot

Mr & Mrs Lindsey
at Mrs Humphreys'



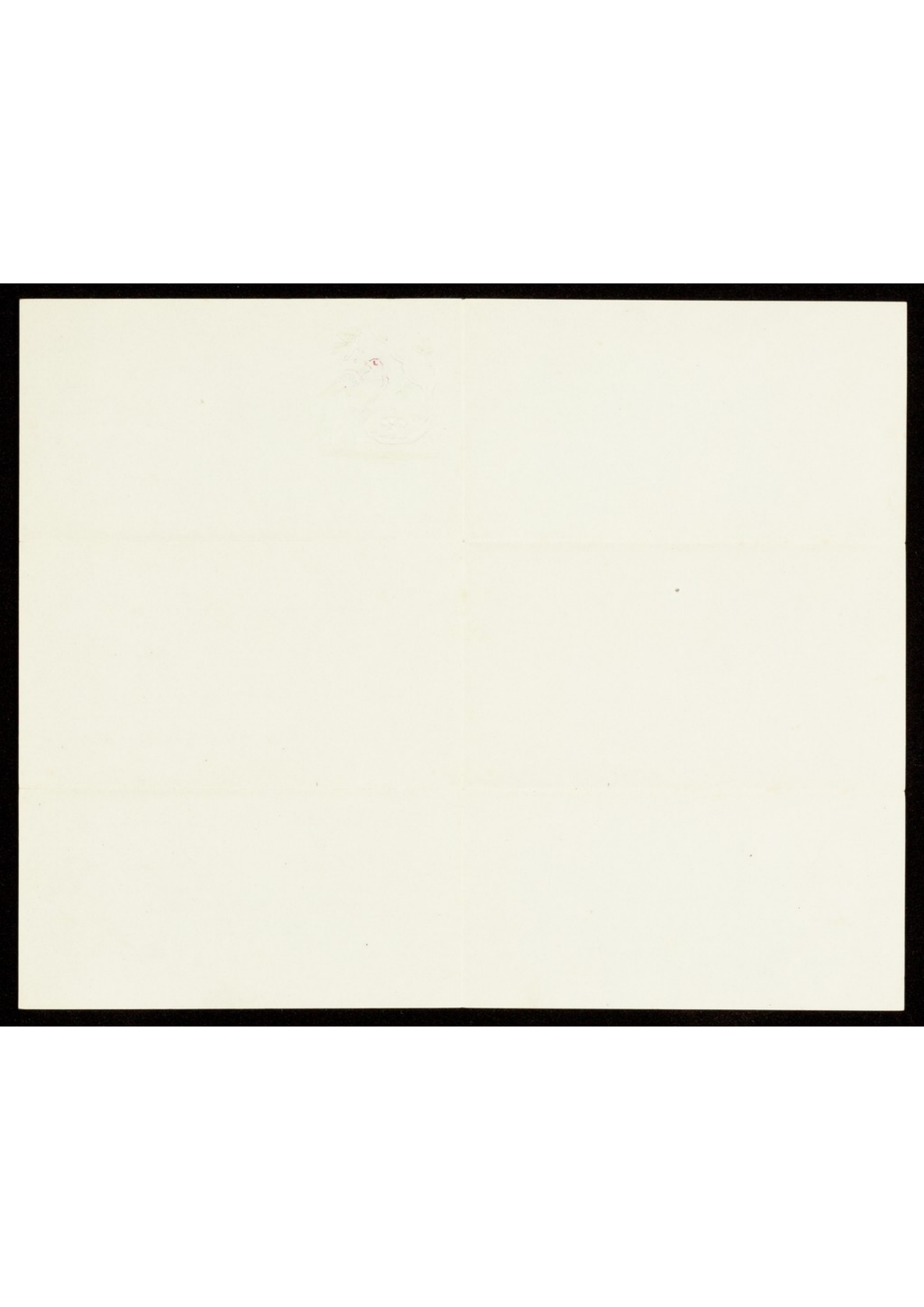


To,

My Neice Mrs. Lindsey,

Another year! Another year,
Is borne by time away;
Nor pauses yet his swift career,
Nor tires his wing, nor makes he here
Ee'en one short hour's delay;
But hurries on, and round, and round,
The wheel of life is sped;
Unnoted oft, untill rebound
Upon the ear the startling sound,
Another year has fled!

M. Crofland.



When the waves are round me bee a King
As I pace the deck alone
And my eye is vainly seeking
Some green leaf to rest upon
What would I not give to wander
Where my old companions dwell
Absence makes the heart grow fonder
Isle of beauty Fare thee well.

S.A.L.

Thoughts on the sea.

Beautiful, sublime and glorious
Mild majestic foaming free
Over time itself victorious
Image of Eternity.

Sun and moon and stars shine o'er thee
See thy bosom ebb and flow
Yet attempt not to explore thee
In thy soundless depths below

Whether mornings splendor steep thee
With the rainbows glowing grace
Tempests rouse of navies sweep thee
Tis but for a moments space.

Earth her valleys and her mountains
Mortal mans behest obey
Thy unfathomable fountains
Scoff his search and scorn his sway

Such art thou stupendous ocean
But if overwhelmed by thee
Can we think without emotion
What must thy creator be.

S A L. B Barton

Farewell to England

Shades of evening close not o'er us
Leave our lonely bark awhile
Morn alas will not restore us
Yonder dim and distant isle
Still my fancy can discover
Sunny spots where friends may dwell
Darker shadows round us hover
Isle of beauty Fare thee well

Tis the hour when happy faces
Smile around the tapers light
Who will fill our vacant places
Who will sing our songs tonight
Through the mist that floats above us
Faintly sounds the vesper bell
Like a voice from those who love us
Breathing fondly Fare thee well

Sheefscarr 1st Month 11th 1820.

My dear Parents.

According to your request, I now take up my pen for the purpose of writing to you; and am favoured to inform you, that I am in good health. I received your kind letter; and was glad to hear that you were all well. I had a letter from my dear Sister, about two weeks since, and was sorry to hear, that Grandmother had been so poorly; but she was some better.

I have begun the sampler Mother mentioned in her letter; and also a darn.

There has been two weeks vacation for the day Scholars, during which time, we have been employed with our needle work, and have spent the time I believe both industriously and pleasantly. We all went last week to get tea with cousin Grace Jowitt. and we were entertained very kindly: We also had two other visits to friends who are very kind in inviting us to see them: last fifth day several friends, came to spend the afternoon with us, purposely to make up clothing for the poor, which was pleasant to us all, and we sometimes go to their houses on a fifth day afternoon for the same purpose. The weather has been very severe for several weeks, there has been a good deal of snow, and we have had some hard frosts. We have had one new

scholar lately from Carlisle in Cumberland:
but our number is still small, there are nine
scholars at present, but I think we are quite as
comfortable, as if there were more. I should
like to know how my dear sister Mary is, you
did not mention her in either of the letters:
but, I hope she is well, or else I think, I should
have heard. I was glad to hear that dear
sister Esther was well; and that she had b[illegible]
to talk a little. Sister told me in her letter
that brother James was at Grandmothers,
I thought he would perhaps have been at
Manchester, as there was some talk of it.

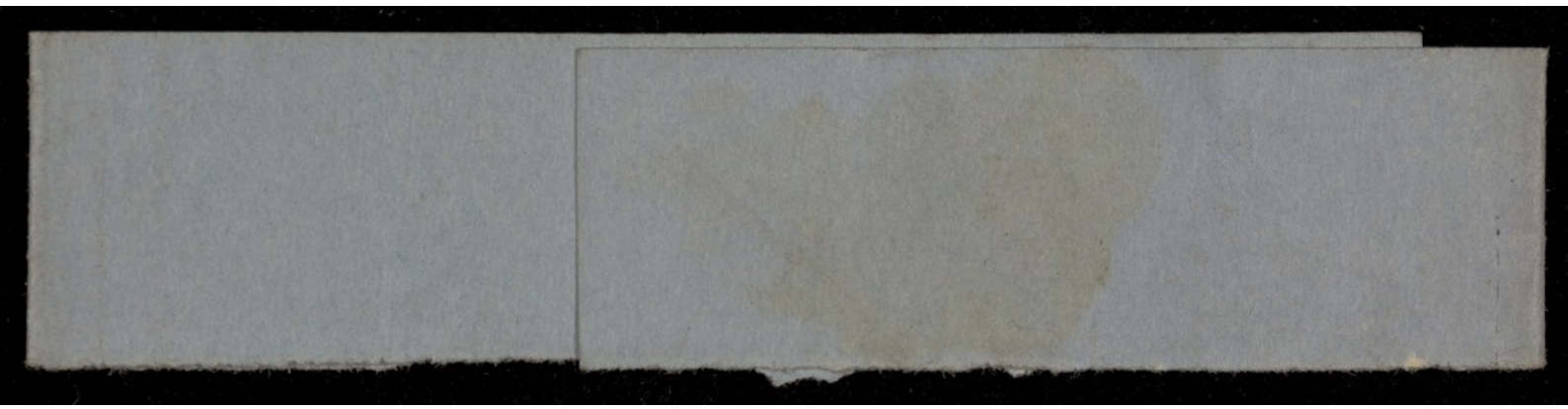
I think it is now time to conclude, as
my paper is nearly filled; so I remain,
with dear love, to brothers, sister, & yourselves,
your very affectionate daughter,
Sarah Crosland.

Robert Crosland

Bolton le moors

Lancashire.


Elizabeth Lindsey



Elizabeth Lindsey

~~L. A. Lindsey~~

from her Father

~~14 5 mo 1848~~



St Louis, Missouri.
20th 4 mo 1858

My dear Elizabeth

Thy note enclosed with Mary's is to hand; I feel concerned to hear that there is not much improvement in thy health, & more so to learn, that thy daily occupations are of such a sedantary nature.

I am aware that if there is inflamation in the system, quietude & rest are needful, otherwise it must be injurious to a girl of thy age to be confined in doors, & to be engaged so much in reading, of which occupation thou art naturally fond. It would be much more agreeable to my mind to hear of thee taking daily exercise in the open air, & to employ a portion of thy time in light domestic work.

If thou were to read one hour in a morning, and another in the afternoon it would be quite sufficient. Thou used to be neat & tidy in thy habits, and in the arrangements

of thy wardrobe, &c, and I hope thou still retains these good qualities, I do not think it is any use for thee to return to school at present; the expense being great, & thou might have to return home again on account of thy health.

I hope thou art endeavouring to perform the various social, & religious duties which devolve upon thee, which we are not able to do of ourselves without seeking help from that Good Spirit which thou may st feel at work in thy heart, & as a voice behind thee when thou turnest to the right hand or to the left, saying, this is the way, walk thou in it. The carnal mind is enmity against God, & is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be; but by taking up our daily cross to the evil propensities of our nature, & giving our strength to the Good Spirit, we shall witness a death unto sin, and a new birth unto righteousness, without which we cannot enter the king-

dom of heaven. Now is the spring time of life with thee, & mayst thou by unreserved submission to the purifying operations of the Holy Spirit purchased for us by the one ~~eternal~~ offering of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ, be enabled to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, which are love, joy, peace long suffering, patience &c. &c. against which there is no law. Dost thou keep a little diary, if not, I would encourage thee to do so. I think it would be a means of keeping best things uppermost, and we require all the help we can get, having three potent enemies to struggle with, the world, the flesh, & the wicked one. Mayst thou my dear child be a victorious combatant, & then whether called in the morning of life, or spared to more advanced age all will be well, & a crown of glory will be laid up for thee in the heavens.

Couldst thou see some of the poor houses in which we have been robbed in Lausas, thou wouldst turn ~~from~~ them with a feeling of

repugnance sometimes. the floors have been laid with loose rough boards, having openings between, so as not only to admit the legs of the chairs &c. but our own feet. On rising one morning my foot got into a hole. In these houses cats are troublesome in getting upon the beds, & lying upon our clothes. one night an animal of this kind stole some buffalo beef from my satchel, which had been given us for a lunch.

We meet with many privations of this kind but are generally enabled to bear them cheerfully, & admire how our health is preserved. I hope thou will write frequently, & tell me any little incidents that occur, at home or elsewhere that thou thinks will be interesting. Give my dear love to Sister Esther, and accept the same thyself. from thy affectionate Mother

Sarah Lindsey ——

Liverpool 1 mo. 29th 1859

Dear Charles

As thou requests me to send an account of the conference of First-day school teachers, I will endeavour to do so, altho' it must be very imperfectly & confined mostly just to the heads of the subjects. Then again I must trust to memory, having taken no notes in the meetings. One sitting I did not attend & 2 only a portion of them, therefore thou must excuse the imperfect nature of this report. A preliminary meeting was held on 7th day even^g the 22nd Inst., in which the names of delegates were called over; & one from each school was requested to act on a comtee of management to arrange the business & order of the conference. It was mentioned at this meeting that Jos. B Braithwaite had a desire to meet the delegates at the meetings for worship on 1st day. I attended this morn^g meeting which was a larger gathering than I had expected; but the chief service lay on John Pease, who spoke at very considerable length, one of his most beautiful sermons on the Christian's Progress in religion & of the realities of Heavenly peace.

On 2nd day morng — the names of representatives who had not previously answered to their names were called over. Joseph Thorpe was appointed President, Jos. Storrs Fry secretary, & John Satterthwaite of Manchester with Jos. Coventry of Liverpool assistants.

The 1st paper read, was, "Teaching as it is", being an attempt to show the rough & difficult side to counteract the ideal theories so often talked of at meetings on the subject.

Ed. Breakspear of Birmingham read a lucid paper on teaching writing, — dictation recomd for older scholars, & words for texts that have a variety of bearing as Bridle &c explaining its utility for a domestic animal & figuratively for the tongue. The general question of teaching writing on the Sabbath was entered upon, & the practice of other schools asked for; which resulted in the decision that it was a lawful & useful adjunct to religious teaching & might be recommended where the school hours were long enough & the convenience of desks &c could be obtained. another paper by a Birmingham teacher was read on the urgent need of establishing schools for the factory girls & women of Birmingham more especially as the factory system allows them to earn wages, making them very early independant of their parents. The advisability of treats was discussed; being brot forward by the Newcastle delegates Geo. Pumphrey & Robt. S Watson; one being

much in favour of, & the other strongly opposed to them. It was thot well to continue to uphold both tea meetings & excursions with the scholars where convenient. The last paper on 2d. day evening that engaged our attention was by Frederic Cooper of Manchester on the "Privileges & obligations of the 1st. day school teacher". Tho' rather lengthy it was very interesting & valuable in pointing out the great religious advantages accruing to the teacher not only by the study of the subject & in the imparting of this knowledge to others, - but as a means of occupying even if it be the "one talent", & so bringing him into the vineyard, to labour for the work of righteousness. 3rd. day A paper was read by J Dowinborne of Westminster on the difficulties of establishing First day schools. another paper on the mode of conducting Simultaneous lessons. Rewards & punishments were discussed; - introduced by an advocate against all rewards; considering them in the light of bribery & corruption. In many schools it is left in the hands of the teacher to do what is thot best & at their own expense. How to punish was a question much gone into. Whether corporal punishments were occasionally beneficial for extreme cases, was advocated by a few. Therefore instances were asked for when they had proved to be so; but none were produced. And it was recom.d & strongly enforced that the law of kindness & love should be the ruling principal. Wm. White of Birmingham related an instance of a female teacher finding all remonstrance & entreaty fail on a very refractory girl, but on one occasion the teacher burst into tears, which so affected

this scholar that she said "she was the sole cause of distressing their teacher" & bursting out a crying with her, had her heart so melted by this token of love on her behalf, that from that time she became a greatly improved & tractable scholar.

A letter on corporal punishments from John Ford was read by the secretary, & he stated therein, that, in no instance had he used it, but he had afterwards regretted it. On 3rd day evening Theodore Fry of Bristol (who is remarkable for talent & fluency of speech, combined with a very youthful appearance) introduced the subject, "how best to obtain the co-operation of parents in the punctual attendance of the scholars, & in the help they could give at home in persuading their children to commit to memory those hymns or scripture verses which are set weekly: At Bristol, if the child has not learnt the hymn, it is kept in school after time until it is done. At Boston the teacher delivers at the scholar's home a printed form, filled up monthly of the number of times the child has been punctually at school.

A Liverpool teacher read a paper on furthering the distribution of periodicals & juvenile literature such as "the Band of Hope" "British Workman" & "Adviser": recommending the formation of a band of Colporteurs to solicite among others for orders & gather the money beforehand, — to whom should be given the discount booksellers allow to schools. In Liverpool & several places such publications are allowed to the scholar at ½ price, & in some other places they are given gratis.

Joseph Coventry, the superintendant of Liverpool school, read a paper strongly advocating that boys & girls be mixt together in the classes, not only in younger, but older ones also. They had made trial of it in Liverpool, & it had fully answered their expectations in reference to the boys, & quite surpassed it in the girls. Sunderl^d school had been formed on that plan, but they had now in most part abandoned it, tho' the delegate could not say how or why it had failed. Several friends spoke on its being an advantage to mix the sexes, but most of the schools did not appear inclined to adopt the plan & alter their arrangements.

A question was agitated how best to interest & instruct the children who are more advanced than the infant classes, but not fully capable of entering the regular scripture lesson reading classes. And the big dunces were considered to be a troublesome set to teach; but no definite mode was produced how to do better than the use of the Sunday school Union lesson books.

The infant classes claimed attention also; a practical paper on the mode of teaching them being read by Alfred Waterhouse of Manchester.

An interesting essay was brot. forward on keeping an oversight upon old scholars, keeping up a correspondence with them, & when they remove to other towns where there are schools, it recommend^d

6 Certificates to be sent. It was very obvious that when scholars get beyond the age of most in the school they are too apt to leave; & to remedy this it was strongly urged to establish adult schools into which to draught them; seeing it was a stage of life between youth & manhood requiring no little religious oversight and aid in the right direction. The latter part of the sitting on 3rd day evening was occupied by a very excellent & valuable paper by Jos. S Fry on the "preparation of Scripture lessons". The names of several works helpful to the teacher's studies were mentioned in it, & suggested many valuable hints & observations; but urged above all things the necessity of seeking that Heavenly guidance & council which will assuredly be granted to the earnest seeker & qualify them to instruct others in things pertaining to the salvation of the soul. And that without this aid all our works would be unprofitable; it was pressed on the minds of those present the need of individual regeneration from evil. Wm White said that he had sometimes felt that some of the lessons he had believed were of most good to the minds of the scholars had been some of those to which he had not given previous study. But it was mostly recommended to look over the subject of the lesson on a first day evening intended to be treated on the following week & endeavour to bring well considered matter before

the class, - the teacher having a good store of knowledge on his subject & able to answer any question put by the scholars, which latter ought to be encouraged.

The last sitting of the conference was on 4th day morning, when a considerable time was occupied on the propriety of bringing scholars to meeting: being introduced by a suggestion of the Leeds teachers to hold a species of service for children including reading & explanation of a portion of scripture, also a period of silence. This plan had been in practise at Bradford for about 6 weeks & considered to be successful. But this innovation did not meet with much favour, chiefly as it kept the teachers from meeting, as well as being a compromise of our principles in reference to worship. Manchester, Bristol & other delegates advised, (where practicable) that the scholars should be taken to meeting, except in cases of adults who should be left to form their own judgements, though encouraged to join a christian church & by no means neglect worship. This subject brot forth very sound remarks on worship as practised by Friends.

Thos Satterthwaite of Bolton read a paper on retaining the aid of teachers after they get married, also soliciting the occasional help or patronage of older friends, as being a grt encouragement to those who are full of work.

8 The visitation of scholars at their homes was discussed. At Bristol they have a comtee formed for that purpose, because all their teachers are fully occupied by attending 2 schools & 2 meetings, business preventing them doing it on the week day & the distances extending sometimes 3 or 4 miles apart. Arthur Naish stated that he had paid abt. 330 visits in the past year: but it was strongly recommended wherever practicable that teachers should be the visitors of their own classes & be acquainted with their homes & circumstances, so as to be their scholars' friend as well as teacher.

Jos. Rowntree Jr. of York (who is much like his father) brot. forward the importance of bringing good principles into practice in home life & education.

It was the general expressed opinion that a pretty full report of the meeting be printed, & such portions of the papers that had been read as the central comtee judged fit.

Some general remarks on the whole bearing of the subject of Sabbath schools were now offered. The increased interest & importance of these was most evident; & many spoke in high terms of the valuable information & lessons they had imbibed at the conference. The deep interest that had been sustained throughout, & how all the various themes had been so well and ably discussed, gave perfect satisfaction

to all assembled.
Arthur Naish gave some advice on the great need and advantage of private prayer.
Joseph Thorpe then spoke in a way both deeply instructive & encouragingly, — early rising was strongly urged, so as to begin the day with a time allotted for religious retirement, as in the closet thereby making progress heavenward. For abt. 10 minutes he spoke many precious words which introduced the conference into a solemn sense of the overshadowing of heavenly goodness.
Shortly after Frederic Cooper prayed in the power of the Spirit with a very cementing & heart-tendering influence. D. & Fox also followed in prayer. Then the concluding minute was read acknowledging the sittings of the conference having been conducted with much profit & harmony; and that the extension of Divine love had granted in its various deliberations.
All the minutes were drawn up with great conciseness & yet very expressive. And the President had managed his part with singular aptness & forbearance to all.
In the evening at 6 o'clock a Soirée was held in the large meeting house, all the delegates, teachers & friends being invited.
After tea was cleared away, a number of plates, photographic & microscopic views &

10 objects, with other articles of interest were
disp.d on the tables. Over 200 present signed
their names in a book, & many went away
without doing so on acc.t of the crush.
Several Am.d Speeches & compliments were
made in a friendly & good feeling, & we
seperated from ½ past 8 to ½ past 9 p.m.

Joseph Thorpe & other friends expressed
their great delight & almost surprise at
the ability, talent & sound religious
views exemplified by these meetings.
And he stated his judgement that our
religious society has seen its lowest ebb
& does certainly exhibite signs of evident
revival & progress.

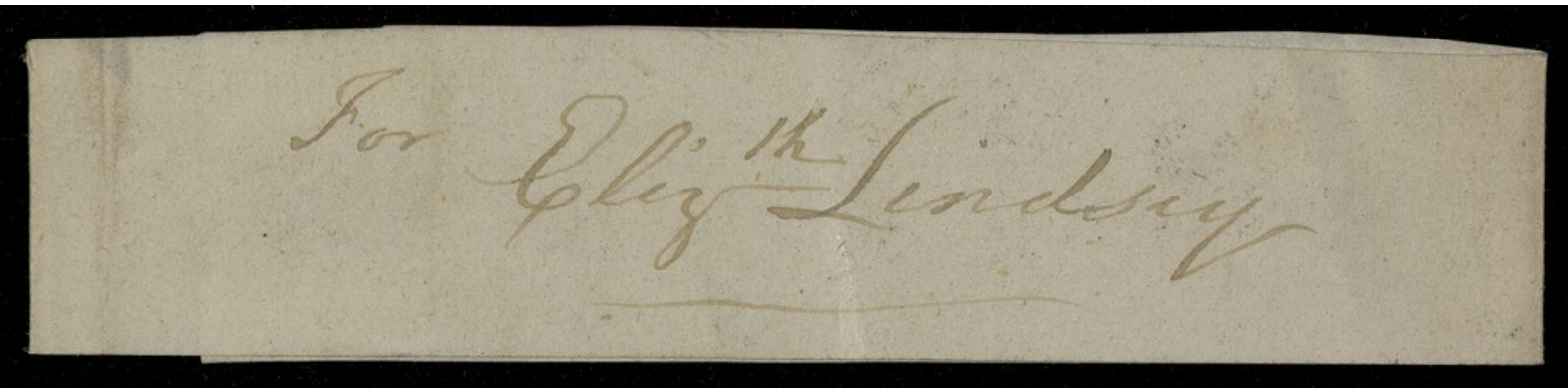
Thou will find this an imperfect
acc.t*, & I hope thou will soon have the
chance of reading a better, published in
some form or other.

With love I remain

Thy attached friend

Edward Smith

* of what occupied 18 hours or more of
deliberations


For Eliz.th Lindsey

flowers so near the gate were a temptation to children. I hope thou reaped benefit from attending the 2. M. at Leeds, and that the weather was favorable. We find many kind friends here, who are very pressing in their invitations, we have been to see several already. I should like to hear of M. Peasnall being a little more sociable, I think Thomas might find a great change in domestic things. 18 Second day. There is a young man engaged in Cousin Sharps business who is intending to sail for England next week, under whose charge we intend to place 2 tin trunks, which he will be requested to forward to Brighouse by rail. Thy clothes will be put up in a parcel, the argentine dress has never been out of this city, and when we came here this time I opened it & found it so faded in parts that it is not fit to wear, get it dyed black & it will make thee a best winter dress. We intend writing again next week & wish you to write every week until you hear to the contrary. With our united love to each & every one of our household, I remain, Thy loving Mother S. L.

Dunnings Creek 6. 4 mo. 1859.

My dear Elizabeth

I was quite amused in reading thy account of Mary taking my likeness to the person thou mentions to have a copy taken from it; when he let it fall & spoiled it. I never considered it a good one, & feel sorry that Mary should have been at any expense in having it copied.

Our likenesses were taken in Philadelphia soon after our arrival on this Continent & would most likely have been sent home before this had it not been that Father was looking so anxious, having to wait a long time in the room he became rather impatient; and altho the likeness was a good one the expression of his countenance was not altogether his general look, and mine was rather spoiled with the lips being too much compressed. We intend having others taken in Philadelphia to send home for you; but do not hand or have them laying about for public exhibition, but keep them in a drawer.

The likeness given to thee by Uncle E for Mary was offered to Father, but as the person had married from amongst and left our society, his countenance seemed to revive somewhat sorrowful feelings, and on that acct it was refused, I do not remember any thing being said about Mary having it.

I am glad to hear that the hens have become productive, but I think they will be destructive gardeners. I am glad to hear that thou hast been drinking dandelion tea, thou may either make it of fresh roots, or dry & keep them for use, but thou should persist in taking the tea every day for three or four weeks, unless there should cease to be occasion for it.

Thou does not need to keep this note as the contents are only of a very simple & private nature. I hope if I & Father come home you will be comfortable together, & prize the many blessings which are given you richly to enjoy.

With love, I remain thy affectionate Mother

S L.

Philadelphia 15. 4 mo. 1859. 5 sixth day

On our arrival here last second day were glad to find letters for home, there was the most open & interesting letter which we have hitherto had from thee, On first looking at the spectacle case I felt at a loss to know its use,

I have sent thee some clothes but not a summer dress, the silk one will make thee a nice cape, & bonnet, it will wash sponging & ironing on the wrong side with a cool iron. there is a grease mark on the back breadth, which thou will observe, most likely S & will attend to it. The winter dress can be made up for thee. The black skirt will require washing.

Having more stockings than I need have sent some for thee, We have not gathered many curiosities; the moss grows upon the trees, of which I have sent a specimen.

Father would not like the lilach trees by the front door to be removed, but you can have the grass plot dug up & flowers planted if you choose; but we used to think that

and are very affectionate, and thankful when they get a little bread of so coarse a nature, that we could scarcely eat it.

A many children have neither shoes nor stockings, but go to school, & learn to read & write & sew, in a manner that their Parents were not able to do before them, let us then try to love all people, & to be good people, & thankful in our hearts, as well as our words for our many, many blessings & comforts. Please give my love to dear mother, Sister Mary, and Mary Jane Graham, & with the same for thyself. I remain thy affectionate friend Charles Evans.

Huddersfield 27 of 5 Mo 1850

Dear Eliz^th^ Lindsey

As I have heard from a friend of mine, who I have sometimes seen at Brighouse that thou art a great letter writer I thought that if I sent thee a few lines, perhaps thou would'st write me a reply.

I wonder if Mary J Graham shewed thee "Letterpress" upon my map of Ireland, when it was at Brighouse, if she did thou would'st perceive that

nothing but a great ocean separates it from America, where thy dear father has been travelling up & down to do people good, by which he has shown that though he loves England & his own dear family very much, yet that he loves God, more than all, and to obey him, will leave all; but what I wanted to say – was that a many people remove from Ireland into America, to obtain a livelihood, because there are better wages paid in America, than in Ireland, and whilst I was at Letterfrack, some men intending soon to sail for America, went to a schoolmaster to see a map, that "they might see what America is like" perhaps we may smile at this, as maps are to shew us – where – places are – not what they are like – but let us rather be thankful, that we have, & have had Kind, and dear Parents, who have taught us better than these poor ignorant people; and try to feel thankful when we sit down to a good meal, & remember how many have not enough to eat; and yet bear their sufferings very patiently

Ackworth School, 1st mo: 22nd 1817.

Dear Parents,

Brother Roberts letter afforded me pleasure, as it informed me, that you were in the enjoyment of health, of which blessing, I am made a partaker. I shall be pleased, when Esther comes to school; as the company of a Sister will reconcile me more to the separation from my dear Relations. I hope she will be very comfortable. I received a reward last week for improvement in writing; and I have now got a ciphering book. You must excuse my short letter, as I cannot think of any thing more to write at present, but very dear love to you, Brother and Sister; and all my Relations and Friends, who inquire after me.

I am your affec.te Daughter,

Martha Lindsey.

Richard Lindsey
Gildersome
nr. Leeds.

New Baltimore, New York
2 mo: 16. 1849.

My dear Elizabeth;

It seems as if I ought to write a line to my dear little girl, whom I often remember and should very much like to see; but I hope she is learning to be a good girl and trying to be a comfort to her dear Mother in Father's absence, which would be truly pleasant for me to hear. So in haste farewell, and may the Lord bless thee, my precious child. Thy affectionate Father

Robert Lindsey

Brighouse; 20th 12th mo. 1859.

My very dear Mother

We have quite an old fashioned winter here again: the frost has been very severe for some days & the river is, or at least has been, frozen over: we can scarcely keep warm in the house & we have had some misfortunes in the shape of our chamber jugs breaking with the expansion of the ice. The pump was so firmly frozen yesterday, that no amount of hot water would thaw it until about evening: the pipes are also frozen. On the 19th was the anni-versary of sister Mary's birthday: we did not do anything to celebrate; neither did she receive any letters at the time; but she got one this morning. I suppose the

has attained her 80th year. It was also Thomas's birthday a few days before.

As Lydia Broughton has a wish to learn the French language, Sarah Ann mentioned Sarah & Lydia their coming to our house sometimes to have a kind of class as she thot it might be helpful to herself as well as me, so they are to come once a week on 6th day evenings, when we shall have reading reciting &c. for about 2 hours. Lydia is about 13 or 14 years old, & is I think quite a fine girl. She goes to the Miss Nicholsons' school, I forget whether they were here before you left home or not, they teach French; but I expect the expense would be too great for them. Their father has not returned yet, & they now live in Church Lane. We had Caroline Hopkins to come & spend an afternoon with us a little time ago: perhaps Sarah Ann will have told you of it.

29th. We have a young man staying here of the name of Joseph Clark, from Worcester. He came here on Christmas Eve, last seventh day, & I think is going to stay a few days longer: he is a friend of Thomas's, they have lived at Leominster together. I like him very much. Last first day we went a nice walk in the snow after morning meeting got very warm, & quite enjoyed it. Thomas, J. C. & Sarah Ann were invited on second day to make some of a party, they were that is, the Standings, were going to have in honour of their millinery: only Thomas went, & it was kept up until a very late hour into the morning indeed but I think J. did not enjoy it very much, he said the games they played were so childish. On third day Sarah Ann Thomas & I accompanied Joseph C. on a visit to Leeds. We first went to look at the Town Hall, which of course you have

never seen. It is a very large noble build-
-ing, surmounted by a kind of dome
or cupola. The central hall is the grandest
part of it, the roof being in the form of
an arch & beautifully ornamented with
gilt & other devices. There is a large organ
filling up one end of the room, & the
middle is filled with forms & chairs.
Refreshment rooms open out of it, &
there are a great number of others for
different purposes. In the entrance hall
stands a large white statue of the Queen,
& in the principal hall one of Ed. Baines.
We next took a walk up Briggate, &
then went to see a large establishment
where American buckets are manufac-
-tured. The proprietor showed us nearly
all the processes: we saw the cutting up
of the rough pieces of wood by means of
a circular saw, the forming of the bucket,
cutting out the bottom; but I almost

think the most interesting part of it was the painting of them, performed by little boys. I should think not more than 10 years old. They first place the pail on a block of wood of the same shape ~~they~~ then they take a gimlet & place it in a little hole at the bottom & whilst they turn it round paint it at the same time they first do the hoops black & it is wonderful how they avoid letting the least bit of paint get onto the wood. I should think they would paint a bucket in two minutes. The reason why we went there was that Joseph Clark was supplied with buckets from this place. The gentleman was very civil, & invited us to have tea. He said they had about 40,000 pails on the premises made.

1st mo. 5th Our friend & intended brother J. C. left us last seventh day but one. I had no idea when I wrote the above that he had any thoughts of becoming a nearer relation to us.

& when Sarah Ann told me I felt quite
stunned. Of course it is to be expected
some of my sisters should be married;
but I had not thought much about it as
a reality. I am sure we shall miss Eliz.
very much; but she appears extremely hap-
-py in the prospect of it. I think sisters after
they are married, are never so much attached
as they were before, & it seems more painful
to think of on that account. I think, my
dear Parents, you will be glad to hear of it
Sarah Ann was saying the other week that she
would keep her share of Cousin Mary Jane's
brides-cake until her own wedding day, little
thinking it might be so near. Her birth-
-day occurs next fourth day, when she will
have attained her 24th year: just the age
at which Anne was married & Joseph Clark
is 28 years of age, even younger than
Thomas; altho' he looks a great deal older.
Sister has been confined to her bed for 2
or 3 days, & Fellowfirth has been to see her
pretty often. She seems to think Mr. has
caught a bad cold & I do not know what
else exactly, as the latter will not tell me
much about herself. & Firth was called

from home today; so Mary has lost her good nurse. She thinks if she does not begin to get better soon, that the doctor must be sent for; but I hope it will not be so serious as that. Last sixth day but one we had some young people here when we played different games & stayed up into the morning; altho' we sadly wished they would be going. I have had this letter a long time on hand. It should have gone last sixth day; but we quite forgot it, as we were so busy playing so we are going to send one two sheets consecutively; but this cannot go tomorrow as I believe there will be no room without paying double postage. I sometimes think we should write longer letters to you for mother writes us so much, whilst we have far more time, but then certainly there has more to say with the travelling about.

I must close my letter, as it is to go off tonight. Adieu my dear mother

We received a journal from you dated from when you were just going to Greg but I did not take down the day of the month. I am sorry I forgot.

Cape Town, So: Africa
Sixth day, 8mo 3. 1855.

My dearly beloved

I only mailed a letter for thee on second day by the Ship "Marian Moore" for London, inclosing my Journal up to that date; but the Steamer "Penelope" now lying in Simon's Bay being expected to leave for England in a day or two, and thinking she may probably make a shorter passage than the sailing vessel, I thought I would just write a few lines by her to let thee know that we are looking to leave here in a few days by the Schooner "Heroen" for Natal. We reached Cape Town from Algoa Bay on

over cheerful under her sufferings. When the summons comes them will, I trust, be no cause to mourn on his account, but rather to rejoice. As I wrote very fully by the "Marian Moore" it does not seem necessary for me to say much at present, further than to add the oft repeated expressions of my unabated feelings of conjugal and parental love towards thee and the dear children, whom I desire to commend at this time with my own soul, to the keeping of the unslumbering Shepherd of Israel, and remain thy tenderly affectionate Husband,

Robert Lindsey

the 12th. of last month, and have been engaged in attending to various little services in this neighborhood whilst we have been waiting for a vessel to Natal. The one in which we seem likely to go is a very small one for such a voyage, only seventy three tons burden, and having but very poor accommodation for passengers; but as she is the only vessel likely to be load on for that port for some time I was not easy to miss the opportunity. I have no idea how long our stay to Natal may occupy, tho I would gladly hope not more than two or three months at most; and if permitted safely to return to the Cape, I trust it may not be long before I may be at liberty to turn my face homewards, not seeing, as previously, much more required of me in the neighbourhood of Cape Town; yet I desire to stand resigned to the will of my Heavenly Father in this thing; and not to make my escape from the field of labor in mine own will. I trust thou will not fail to let me hear from thee as often as thou can, addressed as before to H. E. R. & Bro's.

Thou will have seen in my memorandums frequent notices of Alfred Gilpin; he is still living, tho in a very weak state, and not unlikely as the Dr. says he drop off at any time. Fred. sat up with him last night, which was got thro' better than they expected. I have still been sitting a while at his bed side, and is very pleasant to see him so patient and

Leeds 4th Mo^th 26 57.

Dear Charles,

Joseph and myself are rather surprised that our letters ~~we~~ sent thee several weeks ago stite remain unanswered we begin to think thou cannot have ~~received~~ them Joseph was his thanks for the postages thou was so kind has to send him.

Thomas Walkers Marriage came off last fourth day Lydia was very smart white Bonnet and fall

John Cowgill presented
his marriage at Huddersfield
last week so he is rejoicing
in his triumph.
John Park is here from America
he went yesterday to York
to see his Friends there.
Henry is only poorly he is much
worse this Spring then he has
been before. We hear from
Thomas that thou thinks of coming
to see us at thy Vacation
we shall be very glad to
have thee at home.

we had the company of John
Pease to day he gave us one
of his eloquant surmons
his wife with him she
gave us a short surmon this
evening, but John Pease had
got a very bad head ake
which kept him from meet
ing I suppose they are going
to Ackworth in an Offical
capacity with love to thee I remain thy
affectionate Mother

M. Galleway

Thirsk, 12th mo: 6th 1818.—

Dear Father,

It is with pleasure that I take up my pen at this time to address thee; in the first place I may inform thee of my welfare, & my wishes for yours also. The monthly meeting was held at Thirsk last fifth day, which both David & I attended and also staid the meeting for business, the first that I ever was at since I came here. After meeting, a committee appointed by the monthly meeting, (by order of the last Quarterly meeting) to visit families and advise with them on the subject of the education of their children, had an opportunity here with all the family; at the conclusion of which Francis Dixon & Simon Dutchinson, who were also of the committee, had another opportunity with me alone, on account of my certificate, which they read to me, & advised me thereon.

~~At our meeting this morning~~, Solomon Chapman from Sunderland, along with two other women friends of the name of Harford from Bristol who have lately arrived from Russia about two months ago whither they have been on account of their health, attended our meeting this morning — After meeting Solomon came to our house, & had an opportunity with us, before dinner, much to our encouragement after which he went to the two women friends to dine at the Inn. They are going to set off directly on their way to Sunderland, they came from York yesterday.

I received Wilson Horsfall's letter duly for which I am much obliged & intend answering it at the first opportunity. I have not yet heard from Uncle Willm's family but should like very much; Cousin Thos. Firth was here lately & informed me he had been in London

lately where he has seen them at Timothy Gill's house, who, I think, he said was a Brother. I should be very much obliged to thee to send me the direction in thy next; which I hope thou will inclose along with them two shawls, which master crosses—

As winter is coming on I should be very glad of a ~~good~~ great coat, but I do not see how I could get one made, without I was to have it made here; I should like a good brown, but not a coarse one. I also want two or three fine ~~red~~ white neckcloths, & two or three pair of fine ~~silk~~ worsted stockings which you might enclose in the next package.

With love to thee, Mother, Sister & all my relations at Brighouse &c I conclude & remain

thy affectionate Son

Robert Sinosey

½ past three O'clock
We have only one meeting a day for this & the two succeeding months

Richard Lindsey
Gildersome
nr. Leeds.

Single

HUDDERSFIELD

Ackworth, 25.th of 3.rd Mo: 1814.

Dear Parents;

I received Father's acceptable letter, dated 8.th of 2.nd Month. It gave me great pleasure to be informed of his safe return from America; it was also pleasant to learn that you, Sisters, and other Relations at Gildersome were pretty well. I was much obliged to you for the parcel which you sent me along with the letter, and should be glad to have another letter from you; but I should be still more so, to see my Father again, after a long absence of upwards of three years. Uncle Hoyle and his Family are all well, and desire their love to you. I am learning Simple Equations in Algebra. Two of our Masters, viz. John

Donbavrend and Samuel Evens, together with William Adamson, the Housemen, went to the House of Correction, at Wakefield, on the 18.th day of this month, to undergo a months confinement, for refusing to serve in the Militia. We have had a very severe winter, but the weather is growing milder, so that the boys are pretty busy at their gardens, sowing seeds, &c.

I like my situation pretty well, and am pretty comfortable. With dear love to you, Sisters, Grandmother, and other Relations at Gildersome, I still remain to be affectionately

Your Son,

Robert Lindsey.

Gildersome 30 of 12 M 1815

My Dear
Robert / This will inform thee
that we are all of us pretty well at present
and hope Thou art the same Thy grand
mother is quite as well as usual

We trust and hope Thou art making good
use of that which we have none of us at our
command further than the present "time"
not only with regard to thy learning but in
other respects. So that at some future day
we may have a satisfactory account of. Thee
which indeed will be pleasing to us as well
as to thy more distant Relations who I do
assure thee are desirous of Thy present

and future welldoing and wellbeing

Mother and Sisters desire their kind love to thee And likewise Thy

Affectionate Father

Richd Lindsey

Give our kind Love to thy Master & Mistress and when thou writes say if they and the Children are well

Humility pleasant as the green grass and lovely as the native melody of the grove is humility fair as the morning and gentle as the evening Zepher which rustles through the leaves and bears on airy wings the fragrance of ten thousand flowers

To Respect^d Friend
Joseph Tamms

I wish thou would be so good as give to my Son R. L^d to the amount of ten shillings which please place to account of Thy Respectfull Friend

Richd Lindsey

Joseph Symmes
Darlington

For
Robert Lindsey

Ackworth 23rd of 9th Mo. 1819.

Dear Mother,

Thinking a few lines would be acceptable, I write these to let thee know that I enjoy good health. As I have not had a letter from thee since last quarter, I should be glad to have one, as soon as convenient. I should also like to have a letter from Grandmother: by thy last letter, I was sorry to find that she was not well. I am now learning Discount or Rebate. I hope I shall have the pleasure of seeing my Father from America, for I was informed that he was expected to return soon. I still continue to like my situation pretty well, and am comfortable. I should like to have the company of my Sister Martha, which I hope will be soon. Cousin Thomas Hopkins continues very well. Cousin John Hoyle and his Family are very well, and desire their love to thee. I was pleased to hear of Uncle John's intention of marriage. The weather here continues pretty fine, and the boys are busy at their Gardens. We lately have lost by death one of our Schoolfellows named William Rawlings. Not having any thing more to say at present, I conclude with dear love, in which Cousin joins me, to thee, Uncles, Aunts,

Cousins, and all my Relations and Inquirers.

From thy affectionate Son,

Robert Lindsey.

P.S. Elizabeth Preston desires her love to thee and Relations.

Jan. 20. A letter to Robert from his aleather has been received this evening but this letter must slack before it came.

Att.

Richard Lindsey
Geldersome
near Leeds.

Yrs
W. Lindsey

Copy

London Jun 20 1852

My dear Children

Being now on the eve of departure from these shores, I have felt as if it might be best for me to endeavour in a brief manner to express a little of that earnest solicitude which has often, & at this time in a more particular manner, clothed my mind on your account.

I am deeply humbled when I look back & remember how much I have myself fallen short in holding up to your view both by pre-

may never fall upon you.

But remember that this can only be through an unreserved submission to the restraining & constraining power of the cross of Christ: this repentance toward God, and faith in our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ. You have felt the reproofs of His spirit in the secret of your own hearts, you have heard His call "my Son or my daughter give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways". Open I beseech you the door of your hearts to this Heavenly Visitant, and no longer keep Him standing without, for His Hand is full of blessings, & He is ready to enrich you with heavenly treasure, of an exceeding, all the treasures

cept and example those principles
of the religion of our Lord & Saviour
Jesus Christ which are dearer to me
than life: and for which I have been
made willing to leave you, my dear
children and your precious Mother,
to traverse the pathless deep, as with
my life in my hand, to visit the
isles afar off and to endeavour in
that ability which the Lord alone can
give, tho' in a feeble manner and with
a stammering tongue, to invite the
wanderers to return to their Fathers
house, where there is bread enough
and to spare, and to beseech all to
be reconciled to their God, through
Jesus Christ. To each of
you my beloved children, in taking
leave of you would I address the lan-
guage of King David "and thou,
"Solomon, my Son, know thou the God"
"of thy Father, and serve Him with a"
"a perfect heart, and with a willing"
"mind; for the Lord searcheth all hearts;"
"and understandeth all the imma-gi-"
"nations of the thoughts: if thou seek"
"Him, He will be found of thee, but"
"if thou forsake Him, He will cast"
"thee off for ever". Thus my dear
children you see that life & death,
the blessing & the curse, are clearly
set before you; the choice is yours, to
accept or to refuse. O that it were
in my power to induce you to lay
hold of the blessings, that the curse

of this fading & transitory world, thus will you rejoice the heart of your dear absent Father, who can have no greater joy than to hear of his children walking in the truth. Thus will you be a comfort to your precious Mother, whom you are bound by the tenderest ties to honour & to revere. Thus also will you gladden the hearts of all those dear friends who are concerned to watch over you for good, and are deeply interested in your present and everlasting welfare. You will then be truly happy in this world, and through the rich mercy of God, in Christ Jesus have a well grounded hope, of a glorious immortality beyond the grave when called upon to lay down your head

one by one upon the pillow of death.
Then whether your dear Father ~~will~~
~~not~~ be permitted to see your faces up
on earth or not, this a willingness
on our parts to take the yoke of Christ
upon us, and to learn those lessons
which are taught in His school, we
may be prepared to live unto His glo
ry whilst here below, and be permitted
to meet around His throne in that
glorious kingdom where parting is
no more. So wisheth & prayeth
for each of you, my dear children
as for his own soul, your loving Father
Robert Lindsey.

P. S. I should wish each of you to have
a copy, and often to read it over, as
your dear Fathers legacy of love

For

Elizabeth Lindsey

Brighouse.



Ackworth that you hear something of Australia and its gold fields, and many leave comfortable homes in England in hopes of finding it, but some of these meet with difficulties and privations which they little expected and have deeply to regret that they were induced to leave their native land in search of gold. Hoping to hear good accounts of thee every way & if permitted to return to find thee what I could wish, I must conclude and remain thy truly affectionate Father

Robert Lindsey

Sydney, New S. Wales
8 mo 22. 1854.

My dear Elizabeth

It is now some months, I think, since I received two notes from thee which Mother inclosed in one of her letters, and I think it is now almost time to let thee know that it is very pleasant to be remembered by those whom we love when far separated from them, and uncertain as it is whether we shall be permitted to see one another's face again upon earth or not. I hope my dear girl is endeavouring to profit by

the privilege of being at such a favored Institution as Ackworth ~~is, and~~ always was; and more particularly has been of later years, so very different to what it was when I was a scholar there, now nearly forty years ago. Still I can look back to that time as a very interesting period of my life, when I was mercifully favored with some very precious visitations of Heavenly love. And I cannot doubt that thou my precious child, has felt something of the love of God shed abroad in thy heart, and my earnest desire for thee is that above all things thou mayst be very careful to cherish them, and to yield obedience to the convictions of the Holy Spirit which condemns thee for evil, and speaks peace to thy mind when thou doest well.

Tho' thy dear Father is a long way from you, yet my feeble petitions often ascend to the God of my life, that He would be pleased to bless you my dear children, keep you from the evil there is in the world, and prepare you thro' His rich mercy in Christ Jesus for an inheritance in His kingdom.

I have no doubt that even at

Quebec, Canada East
11th 13. 1856.

My dear Elizabeth

It was pleasant by our last account, to hear of thy health being somewhat improved, and I hope this may continue to be the case. I would have thee be very careful to make good use of thy time, and not get into idle, careless habits remembering that for the right use and improvement of every day we must one day give an account. I hope thou occupies a part of thy time in transcribing thy dear Mothers journal; it was a wish of regard to me that Hannah had not attended to this as she was requested to do, but I would encourage upon thee to be very particular in devoting a portion of every day, if it is needful, to this object, and to let us know in thy next note if it is all copied up to the present time; write it well and correctly and in such a way as thou knows would be satisfactory to

to thy dear Mother. And there is another thing I would like them to take the charge of and that is when you receive letter from us or Mother's Journal, that there should make it a point at the time they are received, and before it is sent off to Sarah Ann or James to read, to enter on the date or on a little memorandum book, the date of the journal and the place where it is dated from, that we know what you have received & what you have not, & when they brother or sister are ~~sending~~ writing always give them the dates off and desire them to copy it into their letters. I hope you live in love, one with another. I hope you endeavour to make each other happy and comfortable; read the 133rd psalm and ponder its contents.

In conclusion, may the Lord bless thee, my dear child, and make thee a blessing to all around thee, is the sincere prayer of thy absent, but truly affect: Father

Robert Lindsay

Father's love to his dear little Elizabeth, and hopes she will be a good girl, and be very willing to do as Mother wishes her; Father was pleased to hear that she had begun to go to meetings with Mother and Sister and Aunt Esther, and that she tried to sit still and not to be troublesome. Father hopes he will continue to hear good accounts of his little girl whom he often remembers, tho' at a great distance from her.

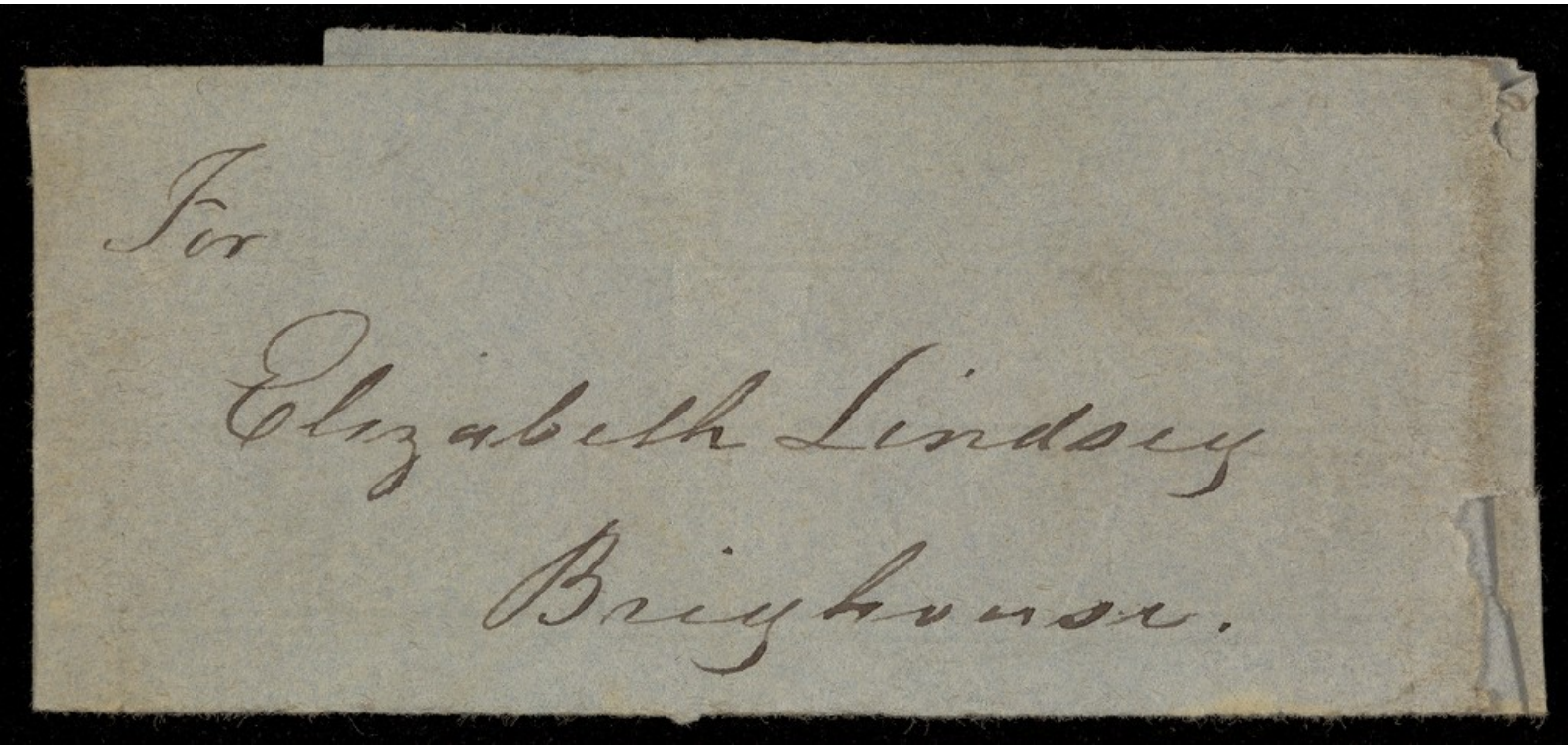
New Garden, Guildford County, North Carolina,
Seventh day afternoon, 11mo 13. 1847.

To Eliz.a Lindsey, Brighouse near Halifax, Yorkshire.

Father's love to his dear little Elizabeth whom he often remembers and should very much like to see; he was much pleased to hear that she had begun to go to school and was attentive to her lessons. Father hopes that his dear little girl will be very good and prove a true comfort to her dear Mother in Father's absence; then her Heavenly Father will love her and she will become one of His children. Remember this, my dear child, and may the Lord bless thee. From thy truly affectionate Father, Robert Lindsey, now at Stillwater, Ohio.

Written on sixth day afternoon, 24th of 8th month, 1849.

For
Elizabeth Lindsey
Brighouse.


For
Elizabeth Lindsey
Brighouse.



Missesineway, Grant County, Indiana,
Fourth day, 6mo 12. 1850.

My dear Elizabeth;

If I remember right thou hast a few days ago completed thy seventh year and I thought I would write thee a few lines on the occasion as a token of my affectionate remembrance. It is now a long time since I saw thee, and it is likely thou art so much grown and otherwise altered that ~~it~~ probably I should hardly know my dear little Elizabeth if I was to see her, but I can assure thee that I have by no means forgotten thee, but often remember and think of thyself and thy dear brothers and sisters, and I am not without hope that I may be permitted at some time to see you again.

But as all things here are uncertain, how consoling is the hope that, thro' the mercy of God in Christ Jesus, we may, if the fault is not our own, meet in heaven, that happy land, where parting is no more. I hope thou endeavours to be a good girl, to be obedient to thy dear Mother, kind to thy brothers and sisters, and attentive to those who may have to teach thee; for it is a great favor to have those to take care of us who are concerned to discharge their duty towards us in this respect, and I was pleased to hear that thou was going to school to one who seemed to take an interest in thy welfare. If thou art still with her (Sarah Ivison) ~~whom I will mean to~~ I should like to be very kindly remembered to her.

The country in which we now are is very different to England; almost all the houses are built of wood, many of them of logs, that is, trunks of trees, a little squared and laid one upon another; we have been in some of those that have no windows in them, but only openings ~~in them~~ to let in light and air. These are the first settlers of the country who have to hew down the trees and clear the land, but after a few years they are able to have better houses and more conveniences, tho' at first they have to put with many privations, and to work very hard. If I should live to get home I can tell them much more about this country than I can ~~in this~~ by writing, even if I had time and opportunity for it, but as neither of these are at my command, I must not say much more at present, further than to express my earnest desire that thou mayst be a good girl, one who loves God, and whom God loves; this I desire for thee more than any earthly thing.

Supposing that thou hast now learned to write so as to be able to write me a letter, I should like thee to do so, and ask Mother to be so kind as to enclose it in hers when she is sending one. Now my dear child, farewell, and may the Lord bless thee, and shower down his blessings upon thee if it be His will, and grant thee to become one of His children; is the sincere prayer of thy truly affectionate and tender Father

Robert Lindsey

Pentonville 30th of 10mo. 1818

Dear Uncle & Aunt

I embrace the present opportunity of addressing you thinking a letter from me might perhaps not be unacceptable and as the time begins to look rather long since I had the pleasure of hearing anything from the old neighbourhood although I must candidly say I am by no means dissatisfied with the change for I find the neighbourhood of London to be most agreeably pleasant I mean with respect to society having met with a few very agreeable acquaintances amongst the Society of friends who are I think a little more open and liberal then what ~~I think~~ they are in Yorkshire for I do not consider so much of that reserved stiffness which I saw some little of at Gildersome to be at all conducive to either religious or moral improvement, but since coming hither I am glad to say I have reason to form a much higher opinion of the Society of friends; and my Mother is much delighted with attending Meetings, which she seldom misses doing twice on first days and frequently on week days, as there is generally a little preaching at the Peel Meeting which is the nearest to us, being only about half a

mile from our house. — soon after our arrivals here my Father set about inquiring after a school for my Brother, and was surprised at finding most of friends boarding schools full, so that a number of weeks elapsed before he could hear of one where there was a vacancy, but it fortunately happened he at last heard of one in Essex, about sixteen miles from here which proved to excell all the rest, kept by one Isaac Payne the most liberal minded friend my Father thinks he ever met with though brought up at Ackworth, and a man of very superior abilities, and there just happened to be a vacancy for one, his terms are reasonable being not as high as Joseph Fathams of Leeds and he has as many as sixty scholars and four Assistants and this great school is conducted without the flogging system which Joseph was so much disgusted with seeing when at John Ellis's, and it is believed by different people who have had boys there for years to be one of the first schools in England, both for education and good accomodations, and Joseph seems to be very much attached to his Master and though he

was so much indulged at home he settles very well, and is making great improvement for he can already read a little French, this you will please to communicate to Jacob Hudson Joseph if he were such great friends and Jacob appeared so desirous for Joseph to be sent to a first rate school — This singular hot summer as been very trying to a many constitutions in this part and the weather still continues unusually warm for this season of the year, and we hear rather curious accounts of the state of vegetation in the different parts of this neighbourhood, we have a grass plot in our front garden which we have had to get mown twice within the last few weeks, we have a back garden for vegetables and it is astonishing to see how the cabbages and other things have grown of late — I hope I shall not be long before I have the pleasure of receiving from you a long letter giving me an account of a many different occurances which must have taken place in Gildersome and the neighbourhood since we left you, I should like to hear from my cousin Martha and should also like a letter from Robert — a few weeks ago we had a letter from Wm Hammerton of Jong relative to Uncle Thomas Buttrey and the severe treatment he had

he not known that he was a relation — My Mother would be much obliged to you to tell S Crowthers to get us 20 or 30 thrums for mops as they would come so conveniently with the potatoes — you will please give our love to my Grandmother and all other relations and my particular respects to your Neighbour Clarks and all inquiring friends in which my Father & Mother joins me Youll please to accept the same yourselves

from your Affectionate Neice
Hanh Lindsey

Richard & Mary Lindsey
Gildersome
nr Leeds

received from Jno Westerman and requesting my Father to use his influence with is Landlord which he did not fail to do and which my Fathers letter to Hammerton would sufficiently explain my Father strongly recommended Dawson who came up to our house and took tea with us from my Fathers invitation to give him something handsome to leave it and I believe his arguments would have had a favorable effect with respect to JB had

Gildersome the 24th of 10th mo 1811

Dear Father

Duty has compelled me to write unto thee to let thee know that I am in good Health and hope thou art the same and I have advanced as far as Compound Multiplication.

Now let us turn around and view the World how Vain and momentary are all Earthly Pleasures. when we die what availeth all Earthly Joys.

And if it were to come to pass that we were to be taken away very suddenly and we ~~were~~ are not prepared what can we say or do shall we not say, O Lord God Almighty we have been disobedient to thy holy will we do not deserve to be forgiven we have sinned against thy Commandments. Therefore we are not worthy of forgiveness not my Will but thine O God be done.

I think it proper to let thee know Cousin James Jackson Died on the 17th of 10th Month 1811.

I thought I would let thee know that there has been a Public Friend from America and he has a metting at Gildersome

There Lords Protecting power;
Will land us safe From shore to shore.

Farewell I think it time to conclude as Farewell

I Remain
Farewell. Farewell. Thy Cht.
Son R Lindsey

Forgive such careless Writing

Brighouse 18 - 12 mo - 50.

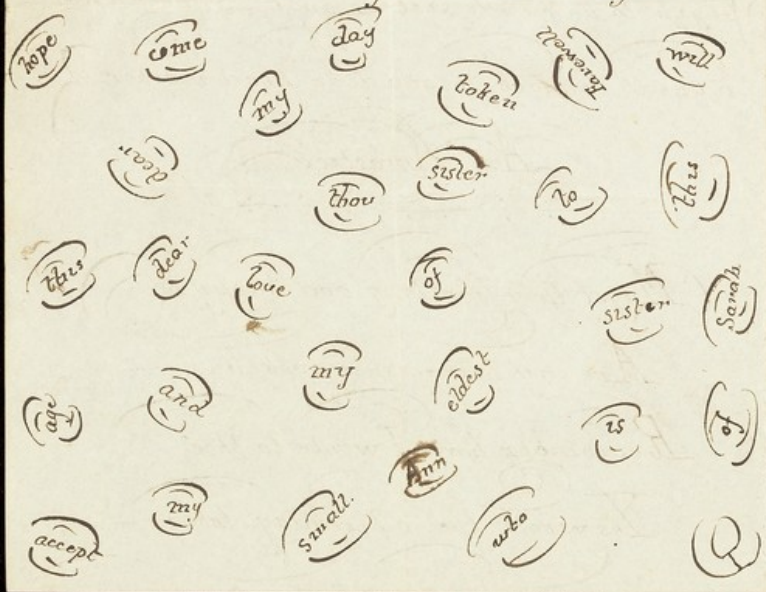
My dear Sister Mary —

I thought I would express my good wishes to thee on thy 21st birthday — I think now thou art come of age we ought to give over thwarting and quarelling and begin to be kind sisters one to another and a great comfort to our dear kind mother.

An Acrostic

Mayst thou live long and happy be
Are my best wishes spoken. —
Remember how I wrote to thee
Yes wrote thee a birthday token. —

Let nothing damp the pleasure of this day
In love and joy let it pass away
Nigh our dwelling let not a sound be heard
Stunning our ears with jarring and discord.
Sweet let our voices and actions be
Ever let our words be mild,
Yes – like those of a meek and holy child



Miss Lindsey

Blighouse

Yorkshire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Thirsk 4th mo: 12th 1818.

Dear Father

I received the parcel thou sentest me duly and am obliged to thee for the contents. I was glad to find thou got safe home and I hope by this time thou art quite recovered from the fatigue of the journey; as also my mother whom thou mentions to have been rather indisposed. I was quite well the day after thou left Thirsk and am at present enjoying a good state of health. Thou mentions I may get a couple of yards of canvas for aprons; but we dirty so many I think 5 will be little enough; ~~as the washer woman only washes once a fortnight for me~~; they are not yet made, but they are going to make them and place them to thy account as thou directs. At yet I am wholly employed in the Grocery business and I see no chance of my learning Drapery, as we are now situate; because David and I are wholly employed in getting ready for the market-day all the rest of the week; (that is, in weighing up; ~~and~~ as I have all to weigh it makes my eyes ache with constantly looking at the scales, which I fear will injure the sight. But it may only be because I have not been used to it and may wear off with time). So Thomas and master attend to the

Drapery. Thou might just mention it to Master about me learning the Drapery business if thou wishes me ~~particularly~~ to learn it; if not we can go on as we are. I take a walk almost every morning, perhaps a quarter of a mile and sometimes half a one, and then stop in the shop all the rest of the day, as we have very few errands and if there are any David goes; but I think I have my health as well as ever I had. — Master and mistress are as thou observes very friendly and they have a well ordered family. So far I like very well and shall be very comfortable if it suits my health as well as it hitherto has done and it does not injure my eyes. As I have a pair of drawers entirely to myself to keep my clothes, &c. in I think it will be best not to send the box we talked about. As I have had several articles to purchase of which I was not before aware I would be obliged to thee if (the next time thou writes, which I hope will not be long before) thou would'st enclose a little money. Thou need not be afraid of my spending any money foolishly which thou art so kind as to send me, as I ~~shall endeavour to spend as little as I can~~. — As thou observe, I am sensible that it is for my good thou has done as thou hast; I hope (if thou forgives the past) to prove that it is not in vain that thou hast made thy sacrifice. —

With love to thee, Mother, and all my relations at Gildersome and Brighouse if you should see any of them I conclude these few lines - and remain

thy affectionate though
undutiful Son,
Robert Linosey —

First Day afternoon
½ past four just
after meeting —

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Elizabeth Lindsey.
Manchester.



Gildersome 26 of 2nd Mo 1816

My Son

Robert We have received Thy letter of the 13th & are pleased to hear Thy being still in good health and that Thou are going on pretty well in Thy learning of the various branches which I hope may prove (if properly applied) useful and advantageous to thee at a future time if Thou should be favoured with life and health

We hope and trust Thou will conduct Thy self in a manner becoming Thy age and endeavour to be in every respect as a good example to such of the Boys as are younger than self particularly in being ready and willing

at all times to obey the directions of thy
Master and Mistress ..... Twas at
Brighouse about a week since with our
relations there who according to their
usual kindness were very minute in
their enquirys after Thee and were
all of them pretty well which at present
remains to be the case with us .... Thy
mother and sisters desire their kind
Love to thee as also Thy —

Affectionate Father

Richd Lee Lindsey

Ackworth 23rd of 12th Mo. 1812.

Dear Father,

As I have not written to Thee since I have been at Ackworth, I now take this opportunity of writing to Thee to inform Thee, that I received thy kind letter, dated 18th of 10th month 1812, informing me that thou wast in good health, which I was glad to learn. I had a letter from my Mother lately, informing me that she and Relations were well. Cousin John Hoyle and his family are pretty well, and desire their love to Thee. I am at present learning Compound Proportion in Vulgar Fraction. There has lately been a great fall of snow, and now our chief play is sliding which keeps us warm. I suppose there is plenty of snow and ice in North America, and I dare say it is as much too cold in Winter, as it is too hot in Summer. I like my situation. I should be very glad to have another Letter from Thee and let me know, when thou intendest to come home. I have lately begun to learn Geography, which I like pretty well. Thou perhaps mayst have heard that Uncle John Cooper was lately married to Elizabeth Fawcett. In my last

letter, I forget to tell Thee that I was very much obliged to Thee for the book Thou sent last ride, entitled Lady Guion's Poems, which is a very instructive book, and I like it very well. With dear love, I conclude and remain thy affectionate Sor

Robert Lindsey

Richard Lindsey

Ackworth 12.th Month 24.th 1813.

Dear Mother;

I received thy kind letter, dated 10.th Mo. 6.th which informed me that thou and the rest of the Family were in the enjoyment of usual health; also, that thou hadst heard from my Father lately, and that he was well, which information was very pleasant. I also received thy letter, dated 20.th of 11.th Month, which informed me that you were well, which I was glad to learn. Thou also informed me that thou hadst not received any account from my Father; but in thy next letter (which I hope will be soon) I hope to be informed differently, for I have been told by several friends, that he is coming home soon, which I hope is true. I am at pre-

vent in the enjoyment of good health. I should be very glad to have a letter from Grandmother, as I have not had one since I came to Ackworth. I am at present learning the Menseration of Distances, Navigation, &c. I still continue to like my situation pretty well, and am comfortable, but sometimes, I think I should like to be at home a little while, as I have not seen some of my Relations for nearly two years.

Uncle Hoyle's Family are all well, and unite with me in dear love to thee, Sisters, and all other Relations,

From thy affectionate Son,

Robert Lindsey

P. S. Please to give my love to my Father when thou writest; also, to Joseph Horsfall and John Ellis's Family.

Geldersome 28th of 9th Mo 1815

My Son
Robert

Thy letter to us was duly to hand we were pleased to observe some improvement in thy writing which is a branch of thy learning I wish Thee to attend to were also glad to be informed of Thy being well that being pretty much the Case with us at present Thy sister Esther has been at Brighouse for the last few weeks... I hope by this time thou has got some Idea of the latin and Could wish thee (if thy master think proper) to turn thy attention a little to the Greek... To become qualified for the medical profession it is necessary to be well versed in both languages This is the business which after due Consideration I have fully Concluded (with thy mothers Concurrence) to introduce Thee into... And Remain unitedly with mothers Loving Father & sisters Love to thee thy Richd Lindsey

Thou send Thee a parcel in a short time

Give our Love to thy Master & Mistress... Thou Can write to us soon again

Joseph Jamms

Darlington

for Robert Lindsey

Durham

Copied by S.L

On board the "Comet" on her voyage
from Honolulu to San Francisco.
7th month 1st 1860.

To Kamehameha 4th,
King of the Hawaiian Islands.

Unexpected circumstances seeming to prevent our having a personal interview with thee & thy Queen, during the late visit of myself & my Wife to the Hawaiian Islands, it seems as if it may be right for me to endeavour in this way to express something of that warm christian interest, which has been raised in my mind on your behalf whilst sojourning in thy kingdom.

In looking at the events which have passed in your nation within the last forty years, it must be confessed that the Lord hath dealt very graciously with you; first in visiting you when in heathen darkness, by the Day spring from on high, and enabling many of those who had been the servants of sin & Satan to turn from the evil of their ways, and to lay hold on the offers of life and salvation, thro' Jesus Christ our Lord; Secondly, in giving you favor in the eyes of the more powerful nations of the earth, so that your enemies were not permitted to prevail against you, and you are yet preserved an independant people, whilst many of the aboriginal races have been as it were swallowed up by their neighbours, and deprived of the homes of their fathers. The Lord himself hath wrought for you, and laid you under great obligations to love, fear, & serve Him in all your ways. But have the fruits of righteousness been brought forth in proportion to the blessings received? for the Lord is looking for fruit, where much labor has been bestowed. It is declared on Divine authority, that it is "righteousness which exalteth a nation, "but sin is a reproach to any people." Whilst considering these things, and remembering that the Lord is a just God, who will reward every man according to his works, I have

been led very earnestly to desire for thee and those associated with thee as rulers of the Hawaiian Islands that you may be unceasing God, & hating covetousness. A wise & great King formerly has left on record in Holy Writ the sum of his experience in this matter. "He that ruleth over men" "must be just, ruling in the fear of God" and may est thou, O King, remember this, and be willing so far to come under the restraining & constraining power of the cross of Christ our Saviour, as to be favored with the needful supplies of that wisdom which is from above in order to enable thee rightly to govern and rule before the people and fully to discharge thyself of that trust committed to thee by Him, who disposeth of the kingdoms of men according to His will, and removeth & setteth up princes at his pleasure. And seeing that the intemperate use of intoxicating drinks, has been a great means of bringing distress & ruin upon many individuals in various nations of the earth, and as they are not essential to the enjoyment of health & strength, may it ever be thy endeavour, and that of those associated with thee as the guardians of the Hawaiian people, to prevent the introduction & use of spirituous liquors amongst them, as far as it is in your power, for truly they may be said to be a snare of the devil, in which many have been taken at unawares, and have thereby been led to the commission of acts, which have brought sorrow and distress both upon themselves & others.

As the example of those in authority has a great influence upon all around them, either for good or for evil, may it be thy continual care and that of the heads of the nation, to let your moderation be seen of all men, so that no encouragement may be given to licentiousness of any kind, but that by every means that which is of good report may be encouraged, and that which is evil may be discountenanced. Then you may humbly & confidingly look up to the Lord for His blessing, and His continued protection as a people, and

you will not be disappointed; but if you turn a deaf ear to His counsel, forsake His holy law, following the imagination of your own evil hearts, may we not fear that His blessing will be withdrawn, and your enemies be permitted to prevail against you, until as a people you lose your identity, and strangers possess the land of your Fathers, and leave you neither place nor nation. God is no respecter of persons; princes & people are all alike the objects of His love, and "in every nation he that" feareth God & worketh righteousness is accepted of Him". and very earnest are my desires that thou O King, may'st be of this blessed number. But we have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God, we all need the forgiveness of our sins, and reconciliation with God thro' Jesus Christ, and this can only be known by true repentance towards God, and faith in our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ, as our only & all sufficient Redeemer. I think I can truly say that I have been brought into near fellowfeeling with thee as one who has felt the burden of sin. Flee then, I entreat thee to that blessed Saviour, who extended the gracious invitation. "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." acknowledge thy sin & thy transgression unto thy Saviour & thy God, & plead His dying love, who bore thy sins upon the cross, then will the Lord in His own time, lift up the light of His countenance upon thee, and speak peace to thy troubled soul; then will thy heart be filled with thanksgiving unto Him who hath done so great things for thee, who hath delivered thy soul from blood guiltiness, and enabled thee to lay hold on His salvation. This is that love which desires both thy present & eternal welfare, that I have ventured to lay these things before thee, and may'st thou be enabled to receive them in the same love & good will in which they are written, and know them to be blessed to thy eternal profit.

I rejoice that thou art blessed with a Wife who will I doubt not as far as lays in her power encourage thee in every good word & work. May the Lords blessing increasingly rest upon you both

and enable you to train up your beloved offspring in His fear, and when done with the things of time, grant you an entrance into His everlasting kingdom. I give unto each of you, for His dear Son's sake a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

From thy sincere & well wishing friend,

Robert Lindsey.

from Brighouse, Yorkshire, England; but now on a mission of gospel love in the Western Hemisphere.

Forwarded the above with the accompanying note.

Dear friend
+ Robert C Wyllie

San Francisco, California
June 17. 1860.

Being disappointed in not seeing the King as we had hoped to have done whilst at the Islands, I feel as if I should not be clear without endeavouring to convey to him in some way my feelings of warm christian interest for the best welfare of Himself & his people. I have therefore taken the liberty of forwarding to thy care a few lines addressed to him, which I penned on the voyage from Honolulu on board the "Comet," and which I request thy kindness in handing him at thy convenience. I have left it unsealed in order to give thee the opportunity of perusing the letter if thou thinks proper, after which thou may put a wafer on it, or hand it to the King unsealed as thou thinks best.

I retain a warm feeling of thy kind attention to myself & Wife, whilst at the Islands, & pray that the Lord may reward thee for it, and give thee in the evening of thy days to know more & more of the riches of His love in Jesus Christ our Lord, and grant thee an increasing interest in that free & full salvation which he hath so richly provided for the acceptance of all in the everlasting gospel. If thou should feel free to acknowledge the receipt of the communication for the King and to inform me of its being handed to him, please address for me to the care of Thomas P Bevans, Box 757 Post Office, San Francisco, California.

From thy sincere friend

Robert Lindsey.

+ Minister of Foreign Relations.

Ackworth 18th of 3d mo. 1813.

Dear Grandmother,

As I have not written to Thee since I left home, I now address Thee with these few lines, to inform Thee, that I am in good health. I was very sorry, on receiving my Mother's letter, to find that Thou wast not in good health, but I hope Thou art well now. I was informed by a Friend who was at Ackworth a few weeks since, that my Father was either coming home, or intending to come, very soon, which I was glad to hear. I am learning the Extraction of the Cube Root, and I strive to advance in my learning as fast as I can. The weather here has of late been very fine, and the plants at the boys' garden begin to grow and bud in a very nice manner. I still continue to like my situation pretty well. I should be glad to see some of my Relations or have a letter from them, when convenient. If I had been at home, I should have liked very much to have been at the Quarterly Meeting at Leeds. I should be very much obliged to Thee, if Thou wouldst desire my Mother to send me a book which I left at home, called The Hive, when she can conveniently. I also should like to know how Aunt Jackson is: she was not very well when I heard of her last. Please to give my dear love to Mother, Sisters, Uncles, Aunts & Cousins, and

accept the same Myself, from thy affectionate Grand-
-son,

Robert Lindsey.

Elizabeth Lindsey
Gildersome
near Leeds.

Darlington 11th Mo: 23rd 1815.

Dear Parents,

I have to acknowledge Father's letter dated 30th of last mo: and was pleased to find you were all pretty well; I also continue to enjoy good health. I have lately been mostly employed in learning the languages, but master thought to employ a little of my time in some parts of the day in studying Euclids Elements would be of considerable advantage to me, as tending to expand my mind, and being a little relief from too close attention to the other studies. I some time ago finished Navigation. Master thinks that the reading of the book you sent me would not be of much use at present, unless it were a selection of what there is in it; as he fears there are several things in it rather improper for boys at

school to read. With your letter I also received a couple of shirts, a pair of stockings, & a great Coat, for which I am much obliged to you. If you would advance me a few shillings in a subsequent letter, it would further oblige me. Please to be so kind as to tell Cousin Hannah Lindsey that Master does not inspect the letters that are sent us, as at Ashworth, so that I think she might write a few lines as soon as convenient, as I should much like to hear from her. Master desires me to give his and Mistress's kind love to you. I dont know any thing more to write, so shall conclude with love to you, Sisters, & Grandmother, and remain

your affectionate Son,

Robert Lindsey.

nice cover for the wall. Mary seems to have had much pleasure in anticipation of her journey to Ireland. I hope she has enjoyed, and been benefited by the reality. I suppose she is now at home and looking back with satisfaction upon the time she spent there. I have heard very little of Mr Evans lately. Has she more than one child? Tell Mary to give my dear love to her when she writes & inform her that I have not forgotten our visit to Letterpack, and her kind attention to Father & myself.

I am glad to hear of Sister Esther's visits to the solitary ones, and trust that in watering the vineyard of others her own will also be watered. Our callings are various, but there is work for us all; and the penny is sure to all those who fear God & keep His commandments. In former letters I have given you a varied description of the Sandwich Islands in which the only town worth the name is Honolulu, but I do not now remember seeing any shops with plate glass windows.

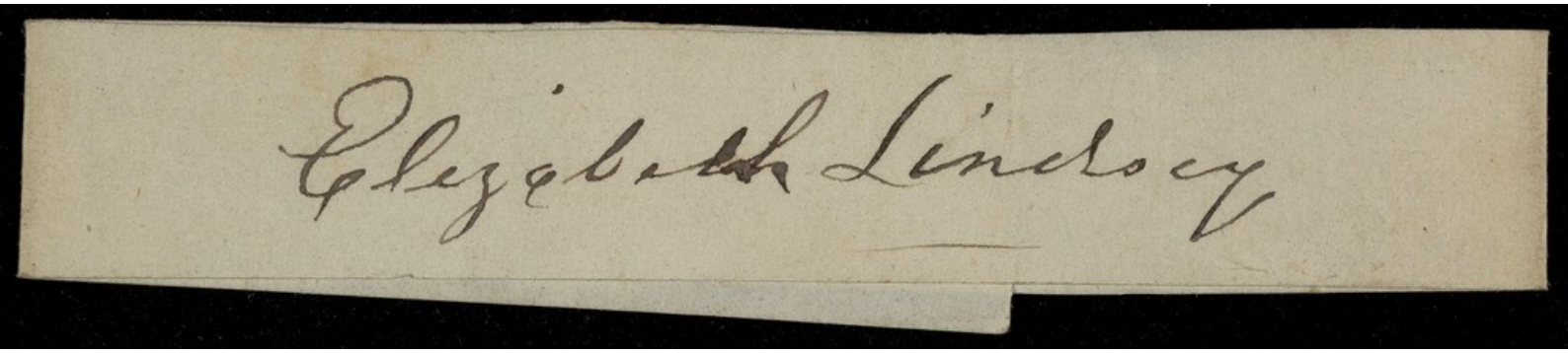
There are many wholesale & retail stores but they are owned by foreigners, by which term you must understand all persons, whether French, German, English, or Americans, &c &c who are not native Hawaiians. The latter are sometimes employed as shopmen to attend upon native customers, some learn the shoemaking, and other handicraft trades, but I think we never met with one who could converse fluently in the English language. They are a very harmless and good natured people, and are rarely known to quarrel with each other. The Royal family & some of the chiefs can speak the English language, but many of those who have been taught in that tongue find a great difficulty in pronouncing the words.

San Francisco, California
3rd of 8 mo 1860.

My dear Elizabeth

By the arrival of the "Francis Palmer" from the Sandwich Islands this morning we are in receipt of notes from Hannah & thyself of the date of 27th of 4 mo which reached this City in due course and were forwarded to the Islands but as we had returned here before they reached their place of destination, our friends returned them to us. We had been anxiously waiting for them fearing they might not arrive before our final departure. The contents of thy note were interesting, you seem to have had a severe winter & backward spring but hope you have had a ~~pleasant~~ warm summer and enjoyed the pleasure which the garden affords. I am sorry to hear the hop plant is dead, it made such a

It was three weeks yesterday since we arrived here, during which time we have got a little room fitted up in the "Lizzie Spalding" and are now waiting her departure to Melbourne. We have a greeable quarter with John & Jane Bevans who have no family, and reside in their own comfortable house a little out of town near the bay where we have plenty of fresh air and are not troubled with snuzquetoes which are like a small bodied fly with long slender legs & wings. Rents are high here and most of our friends are either living in lodgings, or occupying two or more third rooms. Thou does not say any thing about thy health, art thou quite strong and able to take a share in regular domestic duties? Art thou taller than any of thy Sisters? I used to think thou would be the tallest of the four? Write to us frequently & frequently, the silent wings of time are lessening the days of our absence from you


Elizabeth Lindsey

For Elizabeth Lindsey

St Louis Missouri,
15th 3 mo 1858

My dear Elizabeth

I commenced writing thee a few lines whilst on board the "Falls City" Steam boat on our passage from New Orleans to this place, about a week since, which I copy from my note book, as I had little chance of useing pen & ink at that time, on account of the constant motion of the boat when on her way,

"My mind has been sweetly comforted this morning, under a renewed feeling of the Love of God in & by Christ Jesus, and I have felt drawn towards thee whilst reading some accounts of the life, & happy death of several young persons, who were called in early life to exchange earth for heaven; and shouldest thou my dear child be called in the morning of life, mayst thou

whilst time & opportunity are afforded yield thy heart to the softening influences of Divine Grace, and to the refining operations of the Holy Spirit; so that thou mayst be prepared for an inheritance with the saints in light, when the few fleeting days of thy earthly pilgrimage are ended. so, wisheth, so prayeth, thy affectionate Mother." —

Since coming here we have received accounts from home up to the date of about the 9th of 2 month, at which time thou was better in health but still at home; it would have given me pleasure to have rec'd a note from thee giving me particulars respecting thy indisposition; I sent thee a little note about 2 weeks since, along with my journal which I hope came safely to hand. If thou hast returned to school present my dear love to Rachel Tregelles, for whose kind care over thee I feel much obliged,

We are expecting to leave here perhaps to morrow, & proceed by rail to Jefferson City, & from thence by Steam boat several hundred miles to Kansas, on the border of which State friends have a school for the Shawanese Indians, which we expect to visit, as well as some other friends who are located in that neighbourhood, after which we shall most likely return to this place, before going into Iowa. If so, we shall request Elijah Coffin to forward our letters here next time, to await our arrival, Hoping to receive a long letter from thee, I remain with much love in which Father unites,

Thy affectionate Mother,

S Lindsey.

Union Springs. Cayuga Co. N. Y.

My dear Elizabeth. 28th 1mo 1859.

Thy note dated 11th of 11mo was duly recd. I hope thy out to Kettering has been profitable to thee, altho thy stay was not a lengthy one.

I should like thee to use every simple means which are within thy power for the establishment of thy health, and I think if thou would be in the habit of drinking a cup of fresh made dandelion tea every day for a few weeks it might be of use and I hope thou wilt do so at my request.

Does thou continue to copy my journal, if so, what date hast thou got to. I hope thou wilt take pains & write correctly, & neatly. I want thee to inform me if hoops are generally worn by females in our village &c, & if thy Sisters wear them.

I should like thee to write longer letters & tell me how thou employs thy time. Does J. F. Brown continue his ironmongers shop opposite Thomasis warehouse. Is George Wilson still in Brighouse.

I hope you endeavour to live in love with each other

but this cannot be done without taking up the daily cross to the evil propensities of our nature; which is a glorious warfare to be engaged in. "No cross, no crown," let us ever remember this motto; and continually endeavour to mortify our earthly evil propensities; looking unto Jesus for help, in order to become living branches in Him the True Vine, who alone can nourish our souls unto everlasting life.

Accept my best wishes for thy best welfare & believe me to remain, Thy affectionate Mother

Sarah Lindsey.

Thy note of 12 mo 22. is just come to hand & notes from Mary & James, but none of them mention the dates of the letters received from us. Father is also ~~exceed~~ very sorry to find that you have not kept Mother's Journal copied up. I desire that thou will make it a rule not to let a day pass without writing a page or two, and be sure work it neatly, correctly & legibly,

For Elizabeth Lindsey

Brighouse.

