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My dear father

I expect soon to make
a journey to Adelaide I am going to
by sea by some line about 900
acres - I wish you as high as 300 for
it it is the peak of the my ears -
I shall have to get funds over but
the rate of exchange between London &
is very high I must see what
I can do in Adelaide - I think my
Banker charged me of high I spent
we have every prospect of a good
clip about 60000 D. but our
expenses are so numerous - we shall
10000 there in the 12 months - by
on an average £29 1/2 annum to be

we with much our stock of sheep
up to 5000 and endeavor to get
10000 head of cattle. we count out
25000 sheep - 200 head cattle and
20 horses - I shall by more cattle
a Messes - after shearing
~~we went~~ - I feel the effects of
my sojourn ~~in~~ near Adelaide the
unsuitable food we were obliged to use
I have no doubt caused the sore on my
heart - I believe it to be a scrofulous
tumor - If anything can be done than
a flesh diet - of late we have been well
supplied with vegetables I have now got
100 fruit trees and in 3 years we may
have some, my toe and back are a
source of annoyance to me I also suffer

after dining at my in wet very
much from Rheumatism in the
lower limbs; EA is quite well I have
got him to kick himself. But we
are not the happy men we ought to be
for the works we have undertaken
it wants the sweat of men for it
at the same time our constitutions have
been blasted with cold the last 28
years -

We have Ben Bob & Catherine to
appear to get on with Bob we have not
heard long -

My kind love to my Mother hoping
she enjoys good health I'd like to
go and see her next summer when I return
from Australia My love to Sarah I wish
will see soon - Love to all my Brothers

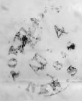
By Dear Mother

Remain your
ever affectionate son

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