

To John Macleod.

Hobart Town. V. D's Land 16/8 Mo. 1837.

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(late of Dalton, Northumb.)

Under the expectation of shortly proceeding in a homeward direction, (whether by way of the Mauritius & Cape of Good Hope, or by the more usual route of Cape Horn, is yet somewhat uncertain,) I feel it due, Uncle, to apprise thee of my anticipated return to my native land. In doing so I am chiefly influenced by a desire that thou mayst not be taken by surprise. I shortly renew, formally, my claim on thee for the sum of money due to me, (including Principal & Interest) & for the Principal of which I hold thy Promissory Notes.

I do not expect to remain long in England, being under a solemn engagement of marriage to one who will thenceforth be dependent on my exertions. I mention this that thou mayst be prepared, & may be fully aware of the strong additional reasons I have for urging my claim, & which render the necessity for it absolutely imperative.

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I rather anticipate settling ultimately in V. D. Land,
probably in Hobart Town, where my friend's father resides
with his family: her Mother is deceased; she was the
eldest daughter of the late Joseph Benson, who was
eminent as a Wesleyan Minister, & Author of Commenta-
ries on the Scriptures that are now in general estimation.
The family with which I am likely to become connected,
have for some time professed the principles of the Society
of Friends - their name is Mather. Robt. Mather him-
self once kept a Hosier's shop in Sun Street, London
but is a native of Jedburgh. Possibly thou may know
him. Sarah Benson Mather is his only daughter - of
unblemished reputation, & devotedly pious, & some years
younger than myself. All our friends who know us
both, approve of the connection. - I cannot conveniently enlarge
on general subjects of information at present, but I
could not leave my Aunt to conjecture, altogether, on
this point, in which I feel assured she will be interested.

Meanwhile, with love to her, my Cousins, & myself,

I remain, with respect,

thy sincere friend

George W. Walker.

N.B. I may observe that the Promissory Notes
are in Jonathan Priestman's possession, whose receipt,
or that of Charles Bragg, will be equivalent to my
own for the amount paid into their hands on my
account. The notes themselves, indeed, will be a
sufficient receipt for that portion of the sum due.

G.W.W.
