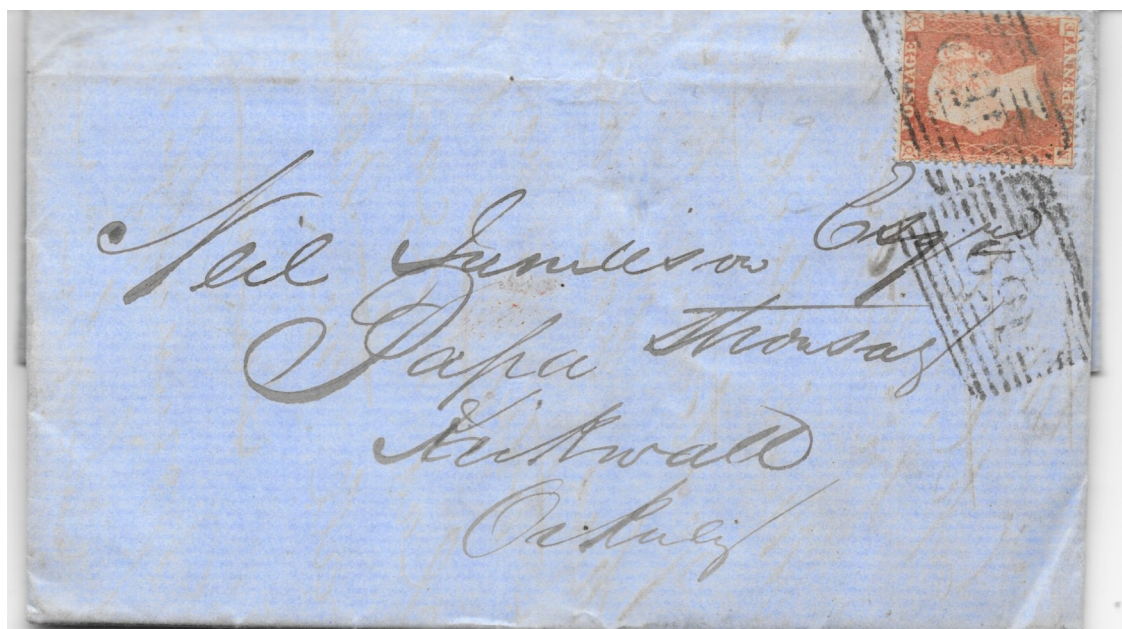




Thasgow 9th August 1855.

Dear Father,

Your esteemed favor of
Saturday to hand by which I am
glad to learn that you have been
making some progress with the fishing
at Stronsay. I hope it may have
been good this week as the
weather seems to have been more
favourable. There was a heavy
fishing at Inchtodishraig
yesterday & a large lot of boxes
came up by steamers filled
with fish. I am glad to hear
of the success in the market here. The
steamer arrived from the North
Highlands yesterday bringing but
few herrings. Reporting a light
fishing but an appearance of
herring on the coast. The

demand for Herrings in Ireland
seems to have begun. Some of the
early North Highlands have been
bought c 22/- per barrel f.o.b. for
Belfast. Enclose letter from Mr.
Russell at Derry. - The Potato
crop still promises well. Little
reports of any disease appearing
amongst them yet. Its preservation
is the great guarantee for the
sale of Herrings. Mr. Mills, General
Inspector was here yesterday but I
did not see him - I suppose he
will be anxious about the Fisheries
Board which you will observe is
to be done away with. - I have
no accounts from Limerick
since you left. I hope they have
sold the old Herrings to good
advantage. - Had a letter from

Daniel up to Saturday. I hope you
may be successful at Buray
Wick had done little up to
Saturday - Jimmie still continues
pretty well at Rotheray but he is
so near strong there is no holding
him in his apt. to overdo himself
in the desire for establishment
of health. Much ache but down
to Rotheray yesterday to see him.

Weather has been very change-
able but today is very fine -
I shall be glad to hear from
you with all the news
I am

Yours affectionately
John Samson

