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> Mrs. T. Th. Buchanan Brantford U.C.

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Toronto May 11th 1840

To

My dear Polly

Turner received yesterday two letters from Buchanan by the Western in one of which he mentioned the probability of his delaying his letter to you beyond the time of the sailing of the Volsel and he therefore begged we would acquaint you with his movements. I trust however that you have had a full time + particular account from his own self that which will in some measure make up for the great disappointment I know you must have felt by his nonapprearance - He tells us he intends fully to sail by the British Queen on the 1st of the month and hoped to reach home about the 20th which you see dear Poll is now very near at hand he says he has executed all our commipious and [?] them with two large boxes for you for Quebec they will be up I should think by the end of the month + have no doubt they will give satisfaction to both of us - [Ben?] mentions his intentions of bringing out both men + women as farm servants which I hope will prove a good spec. Turner as written to New York to meet him as he wished to know if he has made any arrangements with the Upper Canada Bank in some matters in which [Bu's? Bus'?] name appeared - he mentioned that you and the young ones were well and at home ready to receive ['you' crossed out] him which we heard from Papa was the case. I believe I have now told you all the news contained in the letters which were but short and dated from Edinburgh the 10th + 11th of April. Pray give my kind love to Mama when you see her and tell her, her pet Frankie as she calls him is considerably improved in looks since she saw him and begins to make some use of his tongue - Scottie goes to school and will very soon be able to lead she has improved very much in the month she has already been and her [?] is really better than that I ha[ripped - have] seen by done by women. My sweet babe who is [paper ripped] months old is a lively little [morsel?] and Grandmas [ripped again] [?] beast certainly comes your [ripped] names she I should very much like to see her + little Mary [ripped] together - they would make a fine pair. Poll is a complete roundabout. I fear both Margery + her brother will have guite forgotten poor Daddy as he has made such a [?] they - Papa tells me you wish me to buy you a piece of binding which I will do - do you like it wide or narrow? there are a variety of widths- I suppose Anne is expecting her confinement daily she will [?] I hope do well + suppose she wishes for a daughter this time - Now my dear Polly I must say adieu and sincerely hoping we may receive your [?] here [paper ripped] amongst us again very speedily

I remain with best love to all Yours very affect.lly Maria Turner