

[Glasgow, April 16(?) 1846]

GARRISON
MSS.

My Dear Friend - I have received the Books - and your letter of 10th ultimo. I have adopted your advice as to how I might correct and amend the Narrative. You asked my opinion of the portraits I gave it, and still adhere to it. - though I hope not without due deference to yourself - and those who think with you, that the picture don - & suit is no fault of yours - or loss of yours. - I am displeased with it not because I wish to be, but because I can't help it. I am certain the engraving is not as good as the original portraits. I don't like it, and I have said so without heat or thunder.

Pardon me if I venture to say you have trifled
with me in regard to getting letters from
Clergymen, you were the first to suggest and
advise it, - and now that I have taken the advice
you are the first to condemn - and oppose
it, You ought to have thought of your prejudices
against priests sooner, If Clergymen
read my narrative and approve - of it,
My prejudice against their office
would be but a poor reason for rejecting
the benefits of such approval; - The enclosed
is from Mr. Nelson the Presbyterian Minister

32 I wish both it, and that of Dr. Drew, to be inserted in the second edition, To leave them out because they are ministers would be to show oneself as much and more sectarian than themselves, It would be virtually forbidding their casting our devils because they follow not us, The spirit of bigotry and sectarianism may exist, and be as deeply rooted, in those who condemn sects - as those who adhere to them, but I have no time to discuss the question - nor is it necessary. Be so kind as to send me at once, three hundred copies of the Narrative to the care of Wm. Smiale 161 Gallowgate, They will come safe by sending them in a strong box,

Let me have the second edition as soon as possible, - Making it shorter and thicker agreeable to your suggestion, in your former letter. Get as good, and if you can get better paper than that used in the first edition.

My first meeting here will be held ^{tomorrow ev.} in the City Hall, a very large building, you shall hear from me again soon. Please make my regards - to Mrs Webb - and the children, Ad ever, F Douglass



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