

Glasgow Decr. 10th 1842

Very Dear Friend

I trust you received my letter sent by last
Steamer announcing our intention of sending off a box by
the 4th of this month from it you would learn the reason of our
delay, hoping with this you will receive it safely, as it is, you
have it with our heartiest good will, indeed we cannot
express to you the increased pleasure we feel in sending it off
but even this pleasure is not entire from the reflection that it
is so far from being what we would wish it, apologies are due
for some of the articles which it contains, there are a
quantity of winter Dresses for children the cloth of which they
are made (with the exception of the striped & prints) is valuable
varying from 5/ and upwards per yd but the linings and make
of many of them are not to our mind the gentlemen who gave
us the material was too long of giving it and of course the
making up was too hurried, may your however ~~teaching~~ us
a lesson for the next which I hope will be profitable to those
of us at least who take the charge. We wish our Scotch
friends would take a pattern from our English friends
they never cease to contribute here some & liberally to our box
Some of the articles we felt disposed to lay aside when packing
& not send them however as they were contributed with a good
intention we felt it our duty to leave it with you to exclude
what you thought fit as you were the best judges. The
prices affixed we leave with yourself to alter as you see
proper indeed since they were valued we have begun the

think that we have made them too high. Do lower the
prices if this be the case. Sarah Cozer Malthamston Essex
contributed to our box largely both this year & last her articles
are all of the most useful, handsome, and valuable kind.
The individuals about Iretford who know best what suits for
a Bazaar and have most time to work are amongst the
class we are sorry to say who were deeply prejudiced against
your Society in consequence of the conduct of our time serving
clergy and who will never put themselves to the trouble of
investigating truth for themselves, some even of this class
are giving way and worked some very beautiful things for us
it was more cheering than any thing we have met with,
we trust to be able to make way amongst them by degrees by
just retaining firmly our position. We are delighted to know
the progress you are making and shall feel the greatest
of pleasure in tendering to you our slender but willing aid
from time to time, most gladly would we enlarge on the
principles which actuate us but time will not permit.

There are a few copies of our report in the box, there are also a few
almshouses and hospital papers for the Bazaar, the gentlemen
who send them requests you would be so kind as forward
in the usual way those almshouses which are inscribed.

Mr Wrights Pamphlet entitled Presbyterianism more
scriptural than Independency is also intended to be sold
at the Bazaar for the anti Slavery cause although in
a mistake it was addressed to our much esteemed friend
J. A. Collins. tell him our committee individually & collectively
send him their kindest regards and none more heartily
concerned in this than myself say to him we are afraid he

is forgetting us altogether as it is so long since we heard
from him. Do let us know particularly after the fair
how our articles have sold as we feel uneasy about them
and we shall feel greatly obliged. With faithful assurances
of our friendship. Believe me to remain in the name of our
Committee your attached friend

Mary Webb

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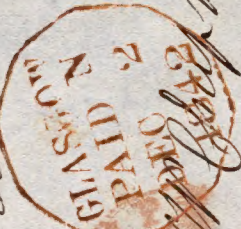
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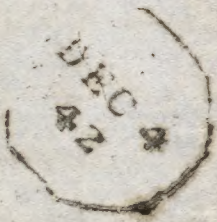
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