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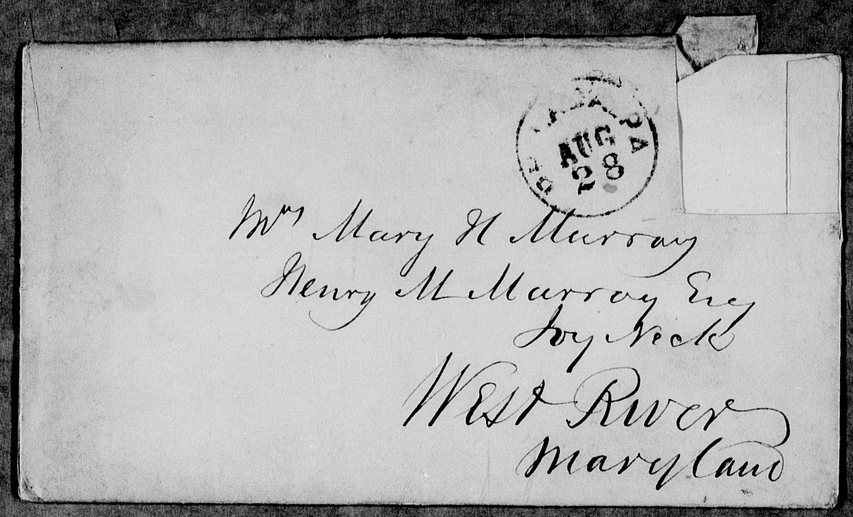

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My Darling Child

It seems an immeasurable long time since I enjoyed the gratification of sitting quietly down to write to you. The press of business demands during years & the constraint of sickness & exhaustion during the last three months have interposed a formidable barrier, & now that sufficient strength & health have been granted me by our gracious heavenly father, and the determined opinion of your mother & brothers seconded by the counsel of friends prohibits my returning at once to weighty

continuous association than we have ever done in our married life of forty years. We shall hope to hear from you at Tarnbank as we found no letter here. We hope the dear girls may enjoy a visit at Rockbrin. Dr Kirk the father of the friends has been attacked by one of his dogs which threw him down & lacerated his thigh badly so that he is laid up by the wound.

With love to Harry & the younger one all

Your aff father
Caspar Morris

mother has just purchased and shipped by the "Fanny Lehr" a stove & oil for cooking & fuel and has put on the box two bundles of shoes which she bought in Newport