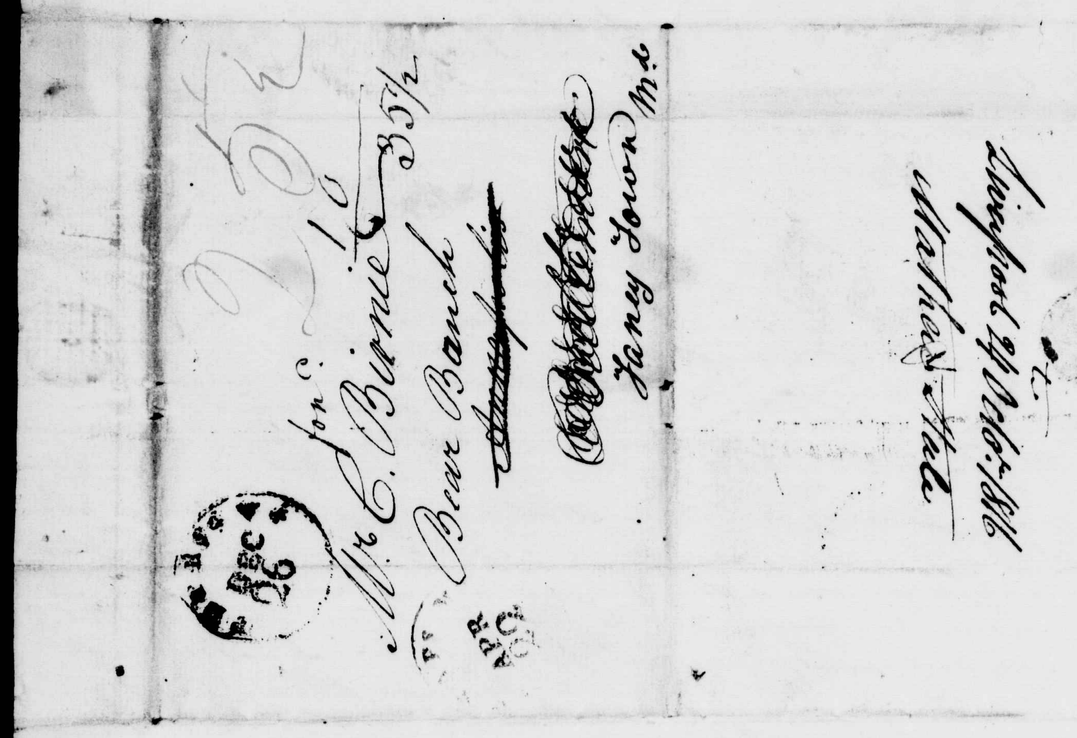
Mr C Birnie

Liverpool 24th Octr 1815

Dear Sir

I had this pleasure in Sept 1813 from this place which I was told you acknolidged receipt of to Mr Napier I assure you I have been much disapointed in my expectations in not having a Letter from your Self. however I can now account in a great measure for it as Mr W. Tarland the Bearer of this informs me that your Uncle is Dead and have left you a very large property in Dollars and Land. therefore a poor Soap Manufacturer is beneath your notice to correspond with however be that as it may I once more venture to intrude on your Honour and say that it will allways give me the greatest pleasure to hear of your Prosperity and the wellfare of your Fammaly. I cannot yet help thinking it would give you the same pleasure to hear of my wellfare and Fammaly which thank God I can with great pleasure informe you that my self and Fammaly never was better nor more happy. I am now living here two years within a few days, and can with pleasure say that I have Succeeded in my Business far beyond my most Sanguine expectations. Mr Blake my Soninlaw who is a