has just called to see me I told him
I had been writing to you this day
he said that he heard before he left
Belfast that you intended returning
there this I could not credit he begs
his kind respects to you he says that
times is very bad in Belfast and some
considerable failures expected he did not
name any person, Boys Jamison & Co of
Dublin has stopped which will hurt
many of the Linen Drapers in the North
I had wrote you so far on the 25th Ult.
which I intended to have sent by a
Ship then about to sail for Baltimore
however I found she had sailed therefore
did not close my letter I send you
by this conveyance the 1 & 2 Cases
webb one and a half Doz of Cotton
Stockings one Doz Green the other white
the ~~one~~ the largest that Mrs Steele
and I could get the costs of Both
£2..3..0 Mrs S. has marked them with
your name to take duty I have
directed them to the care of Messrs
John C. White & Sons Baltimore
R & Shaw is busling away here in
a wonderfull manner he is a

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Provision Broker and making a
living by it but with the greatest labour
his Daughter that your Daughter enquired
about lives with some Friend in
Bath John Shaw has been very ill
all winter he is now better I find
dont be backwards in sending to me
for any thing you or your Family
may want I will execute your orders
as well as I can. I have sent you in
the bundle of stockings some news
papers with the Trials and Executions
of Conspirators in London which you
would have heard of no doubt having
been taken up it was no doubt
a plan of Government to lend
Encouragement to encourage those Desperate
men to act as they did Indeed all
parties agree in this now however
such assistance cannot last long it
is Impossible that the people of this
Country can pay the Taxes which is
every year increasing at the present
Mrs Steele begs her kind respects to
you Mrs Birnie & Family with
my Dear Sir your very obed Servt
when I return from my
Tour on the Continent I
will write you how I like your old Friends

Thos H. Steele