

St Johns Newfoundland
26th November 1820

Dear Brother

Arrived here on the 4 Sept:
after a passage of 28 days. During which
we had very disagreeable weather as we
had not a favourable wind for more than
3 days of a passage of 28. I was sick for
3 days and during which it was very
bad weather. Eat little for a week and
what I did take vomited up again
I was very much troubled some time ago
which I have now recovered. I would have
wrote you by the ship if she had she
returned. I have got into country and the
people are all mostly fish. I have seen
see the fishery geography. I am standing in
a shop and sell coarse articles as fishermen
such as knives. Drawers, pots, and every
thing you can mention for them I am at times
copying letters to the fishermen give us in return
for fish which they send to Allegator or any
other place we may find a good market.
I do not know what my salary will be,
but do not expect above 20 lbs for the first year.
I had a letter from my Uncle James about
six weeks ago he says I must leave my wages
to the discretion of the House. I have had
Boys washing there are no washer women
in the house but we put them out and get

them pretty well washed. There are four young
men in the house besides me and they get their
the same as me. There are two men ^{who} make beds
and cook victuals, and the manager Mr. Fisher he
is also a partner in the house. We get fish for
breakfast as long as supper ^{time} is cheap 2/6.
Barney & Gen of the Gaffon, as there is no duty
import of duty etc. Rogerson the other day
he is well he has got a Harbour Grace a lot of
6 miles from this. he has got a son called James
I suppose for my Uncle James.
They were talking of sending me some more
clothes in Spring and some stockings. I would
require down shoes white Cotton stockings. they
must make some of the wooten stockings white
and you must have towels as the house gives
not towels being none to be had after them.
By this will be the last time I shall have any
opportunity to tell you. There will be more opportunity
to tell you I will be writing but I expect a long
letter from you by the first May. I send this
to a young man called Douglas who will be
letting you read the first book or the any
time before he coming here he will bring them
his a Mr. and Mr. Taylor here My Address here
is 14 St. James Street. If you send your letters
to me send them to Rogerson care of
Mr. Hunter & Co. St. Johns Newfound Land some
of Mr. James Counter be Greenock

write me every news also of Tenton's affairs
and what compromise he made. as I will not hear
from you above three times every year write every
thing new. I will write you by and send
the letter to you to be forwarded to J. H. R.
erson by the first of April as usual.

write me all how my acquaintance
coming on see if you could collect any
Dignifying Papers and send them to
me in the parcel likewise

I hope Mr. Wick Robins is
well, any other clothes I want
I will get them from Mr. Stone
ersons.

I suppose William Calvert is gone
Alicante, and how is my
puff coming on is he better of the
Rheumatism he was so very ill he
could not walk when I was in Scotland.

We have had very cold weather here
the snow is lying 5 Inches already the frost
is not severe yet I hope you had a
letter from Pandy but I don't hear
you as I have not heard this 13
Months from him I have nothing more
to mention but hope to hear from
you in Spring I remain
Dear Brother

Your affectionate Brother
J. H. R. erson.

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Mr David Rogerson

Lutherhall

Wemyss
by Mr Watt

To

By Mr Watt
26 Nov 1820