

Ships from Quebec so that I am ignorant of your situation this last Autumn. Should my dear Mother be near to my Sister she will no doubt find great amus[e]ment in her attention to her grandson I trust he continues well as also my Sister and Family to whom I beg to be remembered in the most affectionate manner.

For the information of Adelaide I insert a few Fashions—head dress of Brown velvet the cap in the shape of a Turban trimmed with narrow gold Twist, and white feathers. the Hair dressed in small curls all over the head, B[a]ngle Bandeaux and Feathers are also much worn. Gowns and Petticoats of the same are also much in Fashion, but to save a quantity which a suit of the same must cause, it is customary to tack a kind of apron in the Gown, leaving [part] of the Gown loose the length of a finger, which [makes] it appear a compleat dress. handkerchiefs are also in vogue but very little of them seen as the gowns come high up to the neck. small earrings and Necklaces, narrow girdles, narrow Bracelets are now in Fashion. silk gloves of any colour and very long to come high up the arm. sleeves of Gowns are worn in various shapes, but I have mine quite plain with a small cuff to turn up. so much *pour les modes*. my dear Meredith having desired me to leave him a small space to address you in I shall now think of concluding. my little children beg to assure you of their kind love pray kiss my dear dear Mother for me and assure her of my fervent affection. my best love to my dear Sisters & Brothers Love to Uncle Grant & & Compliments to all acquaintances I remain my dear Father you very affectionate daughter

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