

Moss End Feb 4. 1844

Dear Mother and father I wish these
lines to you hoping to find you all in good
health as it leaves me at present thank you
for it I started from Newcastle at all chick
and we had a very bad passage the sea was
breaking over the vessel and the passengers
were all put below and in a snow storm
about 10 at night we were very near on the rocks
at the farm islands we arrived at Leath at 8 on
the morning being 8 hours being time we arrived
at Glasgow on Thursday night and got to Moss
End on Friday and I think it is the best place
that God made for I have not got a good opinion

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of it but the proof of the pudding will be in the eating i am going to put the train in on Monday morning a start on Wednesday to roll & have no a good opinion of the place there is 2 puddings present the country is very furmace a hamme forge tools and the mill: of the end of them i would advise every one to stop away the refinery is the best it as a good job they have plenty of blast they promise us yet for if i get sixpence you shall see me very fair they have m. thospays and there is half what they call a stoer or ~~stony~~ shop with you can have any thing meat drink and clother i have got the best doging in the place excy Mr Leaver the floors are very bad there is no floors to them i am stoping at a staffordshire mans the shinglin and John Demeca is logy with me it is a very bad place to loge there are 2 like pygs stays the eating is very good there is good ale at 5 pence per bottle wiskey 4 pence per gill the scotch peapopl very dury the place is very could ~~scotch~~ is a yard. deep in roads with makes the place look worse then it doo so kepe up you hearts up i hope it will be better then exceptation and now Dear father you must make your self content wear your hat they call a stoer or ~~stony~~ shop with you and tell in i shall be to have some and to Mr J. Gamble kind love to all your friends Give my love to Many barucke and James to give our bars and to my Dear brothers James and John and accep the same from Dufiful and loving son Thomas Lees Bless you Give my kind love to Mr. Florence

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