

## Letter to Charles A. Alington, 20 June 1865

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Burnbank Road  
Hamilton  
20 June 1865  
My Dear M<sup>r</sup> Alington  
A telegram with  
the news of my  
mothers death on  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> called  
me away from  
Oxford- and by  
travelling all  
night I got to  
Hamilton at 8 this  
morning. I found

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your letter here &  
thank you for  
your kind present.

a patent hammock

I shall value it  
the more on account  
of the kind good  
will with which  
it is presented

My mother of  
whom you kindly  
speak was better  
when I left to go  
to Oxford & continued  
so till quite near  
the closing scene -  
On being told her saviour

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seemed welcoming for her  
she expressed humble  
trust in Jesus - gave  
her last look to my  
little girl & saying  
"bonny wee lassie"

fell asleep in him.  
Another I hope of  
those for whom  
we give thanks.  
You must excuse  
my referring to  
what is at present  
uppermost in  
my thoughts.

I met your  
friend - probably

[0004]  
school fellow. Reid,  
I think is the name -  
but I was introduced  
to so many that  
I forgot names -

I am glad to hear  
of Captain Gardner's  
safe arrival -  
And am ever  
Affectionately Yours  
David Livingstone