

Letter to John Livingstone, 20 June 1865

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My Dear Brother

I have to give
you the intimation
of our mother's
departure to a better
world on Sunday
the 18th currt. and
beg you to com -
municate the same
to Neil and any
other relatives at
your convenience

[0002]

She had been long
confined to bed but
an attack of Bronchitis
took away most
of her remaining strength.
She lingered for more
than two months
in excessive weakness
& recieved the
unremitting attention
of Janet & Agnes
night & day - Janet
desires me to say
that she would have
written you long
ago but could not.
Mother was calm
& collected to the last

[0003]

When the changes came [71]
near Agnes said to
her "Jesus is coming

for you. Can you
lippen to him." She
replied "Yes." - gave
her last look to
Anna Mary & said
"bonnie well lassie"
& fell asleep. She
is to be buried
beside Father on
22 or 23^d

I was at Oxford
at the time. Left her
a week ago better -
and she continued

[0004]
so till the change came.
A telegram called me
away yesterday
morning & by travelling
express I arrived
this morning - and
thank Him who
after sparing her
82 years has preserved
her faithful to himself
All the rest are well -
No word of poor
Robert - Give our
love to all yours

Ever affectionately
yours -

David Livingstone