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M^r Estfield
Dunbar
May 15th /44

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^{square} after it. Jim is a boy dog, always
running out and in at the gates.
We will be glad to hear from
you, when you have a little spare
time. Maggie joins me in
kind love to you and all your
I am. Your affectionate
Cousin, Marg. May Lusk

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Westfield, Dunbar,
May 15th, '94.

My dear Cousin:

Your kind and welcome letter dated 27th April reached us on May 12th. We are very glad to learn that you are well and very busy making books and looking after work people on your ranch. We are often speaking about you, and we do think if you have to be in New York this summer you should just come across the big pond to Scotland, even for a month, to see us all again. Your friends are often enquiring after you. Mrs. Kelly was asking very kindly for you on Sunday. We are rather in hopes of getting our kirk restored this summer. Things are progressing onwards at present. Should it be commenced, we will be having a few visits from James Hay occasionally, as he is the Architect for the work to be done. I sent your mother a newspaper about the disputed point with the heritors, lately. I had another letter the other day from Susan. She tells me she has had a long letter from you and is highly delighted over it, and will soon be writing you. I am indeed very sorry about all the missing numbers of Pictauesque California up to this date. I have only the first no. I told you of. How very provoking to think you have paid the money for all the numbers. I do hope you will get it all righted at the publishing office. Perhaps the Hays may have got their numbers all right, but when Mrs. Hay was with us in March she said they had got 3 nos. and were all delighted with them. Mrs. Kelly wonders if you got her letter, as she has not heard from you for a long time, and always hopes you will be sending your photo along with your two dear girls. You do not mention your mother-in-law, so we hope she is very well now, also Mrs. Muir.

Psalm
Book

Is Mrs. Reid strong now, and all your other friends near you? Along with this letter I am sending you an old Psalm Book that your grandfather used at family worahip all my young life, even until his death in '52. The sight of it may recall some of your own youthful days. Should you not care about keeping it your David might, as the name on it is the same. The old houses are all swept away and an addition made to the draper's shop. Nothing but changes around us. Maggie and Tim had many a walk into the town seeing after it. Tim is a busy dog always running out and in at the gate.

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We will be glad to hear from you when you have a little spare time. Maggie joins me in kind love to you and all yours. I am,

Your affectionate cousin,

Margaret Hay Lunam