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Wistfield
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Feb 5 1895
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Westfield, Dunbar,
Feb. 1st, '95.

My dear Cousin John:

I am sure you will be very pleased to hear that we have at last received all the numbers of Picturesque California -- 32 in all, about ten days ago. They have indeed come at a very opportune time to enliven us in the midst of a very severe snowstorm. It has lasted more than a week, and no signs of it abating. All the fields around us are full of snow 6 inches deep. We have not had such quantities of snow lying since 1881.

We take a lesson to ourselves every day from some of the numbers of P. California. They are very fine illustrations and delightful reading in them. I have sent some of the numbers in to Mrs. Kelly to enliven her in this bleak weather. Mr. Kelly called the other day and thanked me for letting them see them -- also to enquire for you.

Our Liverpool friends, the Hays, had a sister died a fortnight past! -- Mrs. Robson, at Carlington. She was 78, younger than Hardie. Cousin Susan [Gilroy] is leaving her situation at Moat House on the 1st of March. She has been 16 years companion to Miss McKie. I do hope for her own sake that she gets another comfortable situation. We wish her to come to us for a little time when she leaves Moat House.

I had a letter some time ago from your mother. She says she is now feeling the infirmities of old age. She and I are getting aged pilgrims in the journey of life. I do trust all your dear friends around you are well.

With many thanks for your kindness in sending us so much nice literature. Maggie sends you very kindly remembrances. Believe me,

Your affectionate cousin,

M[argaret] Hay Lunam

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