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LETTER FROM THE CALCUTTA ORPHANAGE.

SCOTTISH ORPHANAGE,
March 22, 1858.

MY DEAR MRS. M———,—Your kind letter was acknowledged last month, but the steamer "Ava," on which it was sent, was lost; and so the mail also has gone to the depths of the ocean; and, therefore, to clear myself of seeming neglect, I hasten to write you a few more lines.

I had known you by name as Peggie's kind supporter; and I think it very kind of you to write, for I ought to have made her write to you on her marriage. Joseph is a good steady man, and I think makes her very happy. He has two boys by a former marriage, and Peggie is very fond of them. He was a scripture reader; but after six months he left Calcutta with his family, and took employment at Chittagong. She used to come to the Orphanage to see her old companions; and I called several times at their house, to see how they were getting on. You ask if she had adopted European habits? Not quite. We do not like them to make a great change in their habits, as it would make their mode of living