

January 13th - 1821

My Dear Abby

I wrote you a few hurried lines some time ago
in the hope that M^{rs} Campbell would be the bearer of them
but such a time has elapsed since that I broke the seal
to see what I said and to prepare a letter for the first
opportunity - as there is such good laughing - some
of the Montreal merchants will be coming up soon
Christmas & New Year passed off pretty much as usual
excepting it was much enjoyed amongst the young people
with the company of the young men who I have told you
came last summer from Kingsale & who have bought
a farm in Whitley