

19 Nov 1880

Jessie → Nora

Dedicated to the memory

of
Miss Anna Crockett

After due deliberation and much meditation
and long consideration of the great reputation
you possess in the nation, I a great inclination
to become your relation, and if such oblation
is worthy of observation and can obtain ^{commemoration}
It will be an aggrandizement beyond calculation
On the great exultation of a weak imagination
Which deserves the indignation and wise ^{exhortation} ~~prohibition~~
And clear discernment of a little moderation
I will close my oration without hesitation
And hope my information has not given ^{consternation}
I am without dissimulation

Yours
J. R. S.

Nov. 19 1850.