Southgate

Oct’ 12th

My dearest Papa, I received your first letter this morning and was just going to answer it when I received your second letter telling me of Grandpapa’s death.[[1]](#footnote-1) I should like to come down for the funeral. Mr Bradley has written to Lightfoot my tutor at Cambridge;[[2]](#footnote-2) to ask him ~~whether~~  if I shall go up to Cambridge on Monday and if he will examine me privately or if it will do for me to go up after the funeral. If I go up on Monday which is very probable I cannot be at Kindrogan before Wednesday. So we had better fix Wednesday for the day to meet at Blairgowrie anyhow I do not know the last time the train leaves but it leaves Edin’ some where about half past 8 o’clock in the morning.

I received the post office order so I have plenty of money. I have just sent off my box with the things I will not require at Cambridge. I dont think I need write again and hoping to see you on Wednesday the 17th .With Kind love to all

Believe me

Yours very afftely

William A. Keir

I hope Grandmama is keeping pretty well.

*Ref:letter7fromhisfather toWK*

1. Patrick Small Keir died on 10 October 1860 aged 78years 10 months. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. William attended Cambridge University in 1859. BA 1865 [↑](#footnote-ref-2)