

2 pages written 19 Nov 1876 by Alexander James Johnston in Wellington to Sir Donald McLean

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My dear Sir Donald

I have been unable
to start to get as far as your
house, & to-day find my
rheumatism ~~is~~ so bad that
I think it would be imprudent
to go out for fear of disabling
myself for work to-morrow.
I was very sorry to hear of your
dear illness but was glad
what relieved by Douglas's
telegram - and I hope from
what I have heard since
I am glad that you will
very soon be all right again.

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I have been so rheumatic
and depreped lately that
it seems I must make an
effort to get some rest &
change for a time; but I don't
yet quite see my way.

I shall run up as soon as
I am able, in hope of seeing
you - and that has a good ad-
vanced in recovery.

Yours ever sincerely
Alexander J. Johnston