

Rev R. Nashad
21. Hill Street

Dear Sir

Christ-Mass Sunday
6 June 24

Pardon my writing to You on
a secular Subject on Sunday;
but it is at the request of a friend
who leaves Edin for England
early tomorrow Morning.

You once were kind enough
to furnish me with (or give me a
reading of, I am not sure which)
a Number of the old Test Magazine,
of about 16 or 10 years ago I
believe, in which was a little
Jeu d'esprit of mine, supposed
to

to be the production of Burns,
which my friend wishes for a
particular purpose; if I got the
Mag. from you, I have mislaid
it. & I have no copy of the little
Poem. If you have it, or could
procure it from Macdell, it would
be a great favor to let me have it,
to get a copy of the Poem made,
& I would return you the Mag.
tomorrow. It is probable, however,
you cannot get it for me to-day;
if not, (it would be most convenient)
tomorrow at an early hour (say
ten

ten, a half past) might give
me a chance of overtaking
my friend.

Again begging your excuse
for this liberty (what I can
afford is a very unusual thing
with me) I remain, my dear
most faithfully Yours
H. Mackenzie