

Chambers, High Street

Alma 29th March 1863

dividend, which was only 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.
I have not heard anything as
to your success in the farm but
times here are now very much better
for farmers, prices having gone up a
long way.

I am glad to learn that you
are well employed and hope you may
be still further successful. Nothing
can be done without hard work and
perseverance. I remain

Yours faithfully
T. R. Holt

W. Esdaile Mansel
Durban
East India

Dear Sir, I received your letter of
20th February last. Several of the creditors
have not taken payment of the dividend
but whether out of carelessness, or
from a resolution to not to discharge
you, I do not know. These creditors
are

1. The Trustees of W. Thomas to Davison
2. The Trustees of Sir Robert Gordon
3. Thomas Ferguson Esq. Esdaile Esdaile
4. Dr. Brotherton Allan
5. James Mackenzie, Esq. Esdaile Esdaile
6. John Crawford Esq. Esdaile Esdaile
7. Dr. Stephen Allan
8. John Christie Esq. Esdaile Esdaile

It is not improbable that
W. Davison's Trustees, are hanging off
from design, but I think the others
have forgotten, or do not think it
worth their while to apply for the

Alloa 29 th March 1867

From

**Thomas Watts
Chambers High Street
Alloa**

To

**Mr Alex Mouat
Durban
Port Natal**

Dear Sir

I recieved your letter of 9th February last. Several of the creditors have not taken payment of the dividend, bur whether only from carelessness, or from a resolution not to discharge you, I do not know. These creditors are

1. The Trustees of Mr Thomas Darvine
2. The Trustees of Sir Robert Preston
3. Thomas Ferguson Grocer Stirling
4. Dr Bruthersbury? Alloa
5. James Mackenzie Draper Stirling
6. John Crawford Ironmongers Alloa
7. Dr Strachan Dollar
8. John Christie Ironmongers Stirling

It is not improbable that Mr Davies's Trustees are hanging off from design but I think the others have forgotten or do no think it worth their while to apply for the dividend which was only 9½p per £. I have not heard anything as to your successor in the farm, but times here are now very much better for farmers, prices having gone up a long way.

I am glad to learn that you are well employed and hope you may be still further successful. Nothing can be done without hard work and perseverance.

I remain

Yours faithfully

Thomas Watts