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CHARLOTTE SQUARE
EDINBURGH

Barbours

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My dear Friend,

I can say that I have not yet sent you ~~to~~ the Catalogue of the Royal Scottish Academy, nor told you how much the picture has been appreciated.

The President mentioned to a friend that he considered it an admirable specimen of your work; and many of my artist friends have said the same. But what has most gone home to me

has been the remembrance of
some of my personal friends.
e.g. "I have gone to the
Exhibition several times just
to look at your portrait and
let it talk to me." Another
dear friend^{!!} has said "I take
the photograph of it out and
look at the eyes and wonder
what you are going to say next."
A letter from the sister of one
who has died recently says:
"he wanted to have it beside
him in his last days."

So you see how much you have
done for my friends.

Your portrait of my cousin

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Lieut. T. A. Nelson who fell
in France last April is a
priceless possession to his widow
and Mother now. How many
homes you have corrupted in
this way in these sad days.

Yours affectionately,
A. H. F. Barber.