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16/June. 1850

Dear Brother
Francis Cotton:-

I have received of
a Gentleman at Bradford Twenty pounds
which thou wilt at thy discretion
pay to George E. Broadbent, who is
related to a connexion of mine there.

G. E. Broadbent, is a young man
who spends money too freely; in fact
acts as if he had no control of himself
in spending it:- he intends to
emigrate to Hobart Town, and be
near Jas. & Fanny Dickenson, to whom
he would for old acquaintance sake
be ~~is~~ attached, also I expect Dickenson
may have been under some obligations
to his Relations, &c &c

J. E. Broadbent, is told he is dependent
on his own exertions for a livelihood
and it is hoped he will not be
much trouble, or burden to the
Dickensons. I think he is not
aware that I have received the
£20 for him. Thou wilt exercise
thy discretion, in enquiring of
Dickensons how he is getting on
and hand him thro' them weekly
or as thou thinks best, small sums
rather as I was going to say, as in a
case of charity, than of right. tho'
if he gives proof of reformation, his
Friends would wish thee to exercise
thy judgment, in giving him

the balance as thou sees fit: -
Thou wilt be sure to ascertain
that he is no burden on Dickensons
if unfortunately it is so, G & Broad
vents connexions ought to know it
as possibly they would remunerate
them again: - I hope, going away
(he is Passenger to Sydney by a Swiftpod
Ship the "Tiptree"; I think Passengers
to Tasmania are forwarded at Ships
expence:.) from his Relatives and
companions, like our Friend
Sam. Cook, he may get more stability: -
now Saml. Cook name is mentioned
I may as well say I think his Sister

Martha, married George Birns (son of
Joseph Birns, in Southwark, Newman, Austin,
and Birns) George Birns got in business
about the time of the Irish Famine, and
as Irish produce was greatly depreciated
the concern failed, and the failure so
preyed on his spirits that he was
in the York Retreat, and sunk un-
der it. &c. &c. his Daughter Mary Ann
has been Governess to young Wm. Botts
children at Payson for I think 14 years
so as those observe, "what changes!
at one time, we would not have
expected them." I went to Chelmsford
to attend the funeral of Aunt Hill, who had
she liv'd till next month, would have
been 92 yrs of age: stayed in here 3 weeks -
no more at present but love to you all:
thy affectionate Brother Thomas Cotton