Title: Letter from William Irvine to John Nicholson

Date: March 4, 1790

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Dear Sir,

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Dr. W.

Your most obliged,

Wm. Ernie.
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