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**Research Statement** *(please write a brief statement about the research you have carried out at The University of Edinburgh during your visit)*

My research at the Law School (between 2-13 March) sought to draw a connection between Scots criminal law and South African criminal law, and in particular to investigate whether the roots of the continuing crime doctrine in the South African crime of theft derive from Scots law. My research was therefore located in 19th century Scots criminal law. The resolution of this particular research question requires further archival research in South Africa, but I hope to complete a short article based on my research soon, which I will be sure to submit for publication in a Scots law journal.