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[letter from Henrietta Bruce Green to Henry Bruce, Jr, 1872; envelope addressed to Henry Bruce Esq "Pacific House" Kansas City Mo.; postmarked Cincinnati, Oct. 11]

Cin [Cincinnati, Ohio] Oct 10th 1872 [October 10, 1872]

My own dear Pa

I know you are a happy Man again with Ma and Sisters with you - I hope they arrived [arrived] safely and are all well after their long journey. Your good letter came Pa - just about an hour after they left me - and found me almost heart broken = I cried my self sick! Richard came home after seeing them safe on the caus [cause] to try and cheer me up. he talked to me so kind and good and promised if I would be contented he would take my out Kansas

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before a great while = If he wasnt [wasn't] good to me I know I couldnt [couldn't] stand living so far from home at all = just think you are all there but me = how much I would love to peep in on you all this evening? What do you think of the baby isnt [isn't] he a beautiful boy = Richard feel completely [completely] in love with Puline [Pauline] and Jake too he says he cant [can't] see how in the world any man couldnt [couldn't] get along with her she is so amiable and good = Pa what do you think is best todo [to do] about getting [?] = It ought not to be put off = the poor little fellow all alone is sad indeed to think of I thought of writing Ms D to let him come down and make me a visit but Ma told me to wait and

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find out what you thought best to do, = I fear it will be difficult to get him away as the "king" seemed so determined. I am delighted to know you are so well pleased with Kansas I hear very flattering account every few days. Mrs. White told me today that a Mrs McDenal had stopped with you and said your house was splendid and she thought you would make a great success.

The Merchants Pa has almost expired shince the close of the exposition = I dont [don't] think I ever saw the supper [?] as slim as it was tonight = There is [?] boarders yet though Mr McIntire said he had application to fill

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if you havnt [haven't] time to write me Pa please get Pauline to do so at once I feel so anxious to know how they all stand the trip and how Ma's ankle is by this time every some just as soon as the Exposition closed = I know Ma misses her bird I will take the best care of him Richard says he loves him because he belongs to ma and is almost tempted not to send him by express=

I am very tired tonight Mifs [Miss] Shuler is with me and I have been sewing hard or will break off with a heart full of love and many kisses to all I am your loving child

Retta [Henrietta]

Richard sends love + kisses to each one especially R.L.G.D.