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[letter addressed to "Mr Henry Bruce Esqr [Esquire] Coveington [Covington] Kentucky"; not postmarked]

Flemingsburg [Kentucky] May the 18 1857 [May 18, 1857]

Mr Henry Bruce

Dr [Dear] Sir

Mr John S. Dunbar the bearer of this note has come to your Place for the purpose purpose of asertaining [ascertaining] the best terms a steeme [steam] Engine can be got On, Capeable [Capable] of Runing [Running] a Sawmill to good advantage. If you will direct him to the most Reliable shops in your City Or Cincinnati You will Confer a lasting favour On

Your Old Friend

Jos [Joseph] Dudley

Dear Brother I write a few lines to tell that Mrs Lewis Summers was struck with the Palsey on friday evening and died yesterday she never spoke she was siting [siting] in her chair when Mr Summers came in Mother health is very feeble and her appetite very bad it fatieuges [fatigues] her to eat she is anxious to see you we are well Mr Dunbar is our son in law give my love to aunt Nancy and Mary family I ever remain your sister

Harriet B Dudley

[outside of letter; perpendicular to address label]

Joseph and Mrs H B Dudley

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