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[letter addressed to "Mr. Henry. Bruce, Nashville. Tennessee"; "per mail"; "Elizaville Ky Oct 9. 18 3/4"]

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My Dr. [Dear] beloved husband

Though I have nothing, at, all interesting to communicate, I shall write you a few lines, knowing that you would like to hear how we are getting along, in your absence, I believe the boys is very attentive to businefs [business], one of the milch cows, is sick. these is something the matter with her hornes, they are about to come of, I have'nt [haven't] been to see either of my sister widows, yet, but expect to in a few days I, heard from them, the other day, they were all well; James, was here, last night, he says he is very anxious to start. back to the South; Elizabeth Dewey is staying with me, at presant, [present] she is helping me to quilt, the meeting at Bethel never broke untill [until] yesterday, several joined, Geo [George] Summers was one of them little Pauline talks about you every day, she is constantly asking me, why you dont come home, she goes to the door every evening, and call, you; well: how do you like Tennefsee [Tennessee] by this time, have you found a situation; ~~by this time~~ (one that you think I would fancy) if you have, I will have no objection to going there provided Mrs, Alen, and Mrs, Wills, go there to, I am so anxious to hear how you are pleased, that I can't wait untill [until] your return, to , hear, so you must give me a full description, in your, letter, James Galiger died on monday last, you must excuse this short and unineresting [sic] letter I am afraid the mail, will begine [begin] now before this reaches, Elizaville [Kentucky],

Heaven preserve you my Dear husband and may you speedily return to the society of your dear little family, is the prayer of your

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affectionate wife

Mary, E. Bruce,

tell Mr Alens and Mr Wells, that thine families are both well,: