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[letter addressed to "Miss Henrietta Bruce Covington Ky."; postmarked "CARLISLE KY AUG 24"]

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My dear Sisters.

Your little letter was duly recd [received] for which you will accept my very many thanks. Why did Nannie not write also? Have you recd [received] Nellie's letter yet? We have had such a pleasant visit here that it will be hard to bid "good bye" to our dear friends & relations who have been so kind to us--indeed I shall ever feel grateful to them all for making the time pass [pass] so pleasantly away. Tomorrow we leave for "Blue Licks" where we spend one day & night & from there we go to Fleming [Kentucky] so you must direct your letters to Elizaville [Kentucky] Care Doct G. G. Lowry [Doctor George G. Lowry]. Cousin Lon is going with us-- Oh! Wont [won't]

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we have a glorious time!!! Don't you wish you were going with us? --Oh! just such a nice horse back rides as we will have & already been enjoying to the uttermost-- ~~and~~ feasting on nice mellons [melons] and every thing good. You little mischief why did you excite my curiosity by simply stating that you had a secret to tell me about Mr & Mrs Bob Atha--but alas! imagine my disappointment-- when the secret was omitted. Say to Pa that I recd [received] the invitation to Doct [Doctor] Blackburn yesterday, would like to be present but much prefer our tranquil country life to all the parties Covington [Kentucky] could offer. I also recd [received] a

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nice long letter from Cousin Tom written from St Louis [Missouri] -- Our Cousin Mattie Bruce spent ~~the day~~ yesterday & night with us. ~~last~~ Well Nannie, have you been from home yet? I

mean of course to stay all night? Retta [Henrietta], what has become of your admirer--Mr C..... of the "Queen City"? has he been over to see you since we left? Your adopted Sister Nellie sends much love to you both & says write to her soon and she will write you a better letter next time. Nellie recd [received] a letter from her father last night and one from "Roger" the evening before, in which he enclosed me a little bottle full of Hydrant water to bathe in every morning before breakfast-- I intend to take

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him a large bottle of Blue lick water to give him a nice shower bath. My love to all.

Your loving

Sister Pauline