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[Letter from George S. Bruce to Henry Bruce, Jr., Jan. 1857; letter addressed to "Mr Henry Bruce Covington Ky."; postmarked "CARLISLE KY JAN. 6"]

Carlisle Ky [Carlisle, Kentucky] January 5th 1857 [January 5, 1857]

Henry Bruce Esqr [Esquire]

Covington Ky [Covington, Kentucky]

Dear Brother

I am scarcely able to write, owing to rheumatism in my arms, of which I have been suffering ever since I came home-- I have delayed writing to you, in part, on account of my arms, but as I begin to think I will not get to hear from you any more until I do write, I strain a point, in despite of the aching of my arms, to write, that I may get to hear from you once more-- It seems a long time since I had a letter from you

I found Bina not able to walk when I returned home, on account of a pain in her foot, which has, however, gotten well, and since that she took a pain in her little finger which swelled very much and rendered that hand useless for near a week-- She is now about well again, except that Lizzie left this morning to go back to her school again after spending Christmas with us, which has put Bina as low down as if every Joint had a pain-- All the rest well-- Sister Ellen is enjoying better health than she has for many years-- I heard from Mother last week-- Her health is as good as it has been for

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some time back-- Has G. W. & Henry Morgan ever got an understanding with you about who is to receive the hire of the negro girl? Henry thinks I ought to pay it to him-- He has not yet made out the a/c but says he is ready to do it-- I want it paid to somebody, as it has stood long enough

Let me hear how you come on with the bridge-- What is money worth now? May I send you some more to loan for me if I see proper and succeed in collecting? How does the account

stand between us now? Have you written to Gilbert yet, or do you think you will? We hear you have had several letters from him, and some from Bettie too-- Is it so? As my arm is so stiff I will close now till I hear from you-- My highest regards for you and family and am

Yours affectionately

G. S. Bruce [George S. Bruce]