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[Anthony Killgore to Henry Bruce Jr.]

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Mr Henry Bruce

Dear Sir

Your enclosure was duly received, endorsed and is now herin [herein] closed You ask what I think of the signs of the times? Being how compelled to rely on Federal authority and Federal newspapers no other conclusion is possible than that the rebellion is virtually ended and peace just at hand; this is being taught to the mafs [mass] to stimulate volunteering and fill up our reduced ranks with out too heavy a draft. I think many a young man volunteering under such

notions will find themselves

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wofully [woefully] deceived and taken in we suppose here that Morgans last man has by this time been captured it would seem impossible to escape I await the movements of the Blind Tom Company to procure my pafs [pass] to go South. they write me that they are about ready but from their long delays I think it doubtful if their influence can procure the pafses [passes] they are compelled to have

I know of no negroes that would suit you for sale If I should I will write

Yours
Anthony Killgore

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