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[Letter of Sallie A. Bruce to her aunt]

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Dear Aunt

Your kind letter was received not long since and read with pleasure I should have written ere this but was from home when it arived [arrived] I was very glad to hear that you was convalesing [convalescing] hope that you have entirely recovered Oh how happy I would be could I have you with me to enjoy this beautiful scenery the yellow jesamine [jasmine?] is in full bloom while I write I have a beautiful branch of those dilisious [delicious] flowers by me and the sweet odor fills me with holy sentiments it reminds of the God that has been so kind as to bestow them upon us if you was here we could have such a delight [delightful] stroll in the woods it is so enviting [inviting] at this season of the year but fate ordins [ordains] other wise I have often wished to live near my fathers relatives as but very few of my Mother live near me my sister has moved a good ways from us I have been staying with her some time was with her when your highly appreciated letter arrived she and familey [family] are enjoying life in its brightest prospects I am sorry to say that my beloved father has never joined any Church yet but hope God will bring him in in his own good time I think my beloved Aunt that it would be the hippiest [happiest] hours of my life to see him join the church but alas he still retains the universalist belief Mother is growing old is a great deal smaller than you ever saw her but still retains habit if fishing and loves it as well as when you Grand Mother and her self used to take them together [together] I have often heard heard her speak of them and how she

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enjoyed them and oh how often have I heard her wish for you on those delightful excursions that you might live those happy days over again tell sweet little Lillie that her name sake is growing

very fast she is now a sweet fat plump little babe just beginning [beginning] to crall [crawl] tell Lillie that I often look at her photograph and think was there ever any thing so lovely I was sadly disappointed in not getting yours but hope I will get it soon I have not had mine taken yet but will soon and send it to you tell Nannie I appreciate her nice little present very highly think it is very pretty You wished to know who my brother married his wife was Sarah Jane Laseter sister to sister Marys husband tell all of the girls to write to me tell Pauline I was once the happy recipient of some kind letters from her and think she might write to me again or has she forsaken her distant cousin

I send you a spid [?] of yellow jasmine [jasmine] but fear it will wither before it reaches you give my love to uncle and the girls and receive a greater portion for your self [yourself] write soon and a long letter to Your devoted niece

Sallie A Bruce