

Bray family fonds

John Henry Rawson to Abraham Bray (GA265-42)
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[right of address] May 20 [inserted above: th] 1876

Dear Uncle

I write these lines to you hoping you
are quite well, as they leave me at
present. I have been going to write
ever since we received your letter
but I put it off. You ask for us
to describe ourselves. I am 21 years of
age last friday week the 12 inst
Height 5 feet 2 ½ inches. I am at
present employed on the railway
as lamp trimmer. I have been 2

years there. I hope to get to something better in time. I was 3 years in my last place. I have no trade. The different trades in Leeds are very bad at present.

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A man can get a living equally as well without a trade as with one. You ask me to get to know the price of American apples in Leeds. I have enquired but could not get to know. Would you be so kind as to let me know what kind of apples you grow and what quantity you could send. You would have to send them on Commission as no one would buy them at a given price owing to the distance and the fluctuations in the market. I have made arrangements with

a young man to get to know whether
we could effect any sales for you
or not if you will send me the
quantity you could send and
the quality of the apples.

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My mother and sister are fairly
well at present. We will send our
Photographs during the summer
I have had mine taken twice
but I have not one left that I
would give to any one.

Please let me have an answer
back again say by the 20 [inserted above: th] June.
Uncle William Bray is very
well though his constitution
is giving way a little. I go to see
him regularly. It is only about
14 miles from here and I go free as

a company's servant. But I
must conclude with love from
all and to all.

Your affectionate

nephew

John Henry Rawson

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