

Bray family fonds

Sarah Rawson to Abraham Bray (GA265-46)

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Dear Brother

I have been going to write

to you A long time but have not been

able I have A deal of Rheumatic

I cannot always hold the Pen. I sent

you A Huddersfield Paper last Summer

it had as you would see the account

of the Sudden Death of uncle William

I went over to the Funeral Just before

His youngest Son died He had been ill

Some time he lived at Wolverhampton

We go over to see Aunt Mary & she always

makes us very welcome as does [does overwritten: illegible] Sam

& His wife which is the other Son of

theirs they have only 1 child a girl

Called Bebekah She is a nice girl. John

Henry my Son is a good boy he is a

Teetotaler & has bought a very nice book-
-case also a Beautiful Harmonium &
can play it very nicely He is still taking
lessons He can also Play the Violin so
that we often have music [music overwritten: illegible] in the

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evening He is also A Singer in the Choir
at the Chapel & A Teacher in the School
He is A great reader is still at home
with us we are very comfortable all
three together He has pretty good health
my Daughter Ann Elizabeth is very slack
of work I had her at home 6 weeks
before Christmas & 4 months [months overwritten: illegible] this
year so that it takes us all our time
to keep our heads above water. She
is not a strong girl I often have her
at home ill so that we have plenty
to do I think she is more like her
father is also A singer in the Choir
is taking A [i.e. an] Alto Part I have the

Chapel to Clean again we had it when
Henry was living that is what I am
able to do it Pays the Rent for us & keeps
us a home over our heads I should have
written long since but I really have not
had money I am [i.e. am] very much obliged to
you for those directions you sent me
though I have not used any of them