## **Bray family fonds**

Sarah Bray to Abraham Bray (GA265-32) May 20, 1845

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[right aligned: 20<sup>th</sup> May 1845]

**Dear Parents** 

I once more take [crossed out: illegible] up my pen to try if I

can scrawl A few lines to you. you Desire

us to write if we [crossed out: illegible] have any thing to say

to Abraham you may tell him that we

are all very sorry to hear that he has been

so very ill but I am glad to hear that he

has got married for it has been my

opinion that he would be more comfortable

if he had been married before gm [i.e. Grandmother] says that

she is sorry for him but she cannot [crossed out: illegible] help

him she gets very weak and she thinks

that she will not have long to remain

in thiss [i.e. this] world Rebecca wishes that they

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may live long in unity and [inserted above: have] many years

of happiness we should all like to see our

new sister and to know if she be an

American or not and what sort of A

house he has and has he as had to send

the letter with Bread R [i.e. Rebecca?] sends him A [recipe?]

for making sealing wax and if he

cannot get the things there it will do

him no harm if it does no good. To make

A fine hard sealing wax. red. Take one

pound of bees wax thre [i.e. three] ounces of fine

turpintine [i.e. turpentine] and 1 ounce of finely pounded

resin when they are well melted and the [dross?]

taken of [i.e. off] put in as much red [crossed out: illegible] lead or verm

ilion [i.e. vermilion] as you may think proper and stir them

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together till they are well incorporated you

may when it grows A little [little overwritten: lettle?] cool make it

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up into what form you please. jemima an[d?] john send their respects to A [i.e. Abraham] and sarah and wishes them much happiness you may also give my kind love to him and tell him that I could like to go and see him and [1 word illegible] sarah but if it is not my lot to meet [crossed out: him] them in this world I hope that I may meet them where there is no parting neither any more sorrow oh that they may be like Abraham and sarah of old that they may [be?] enabled to cast their burden on the Lord who alone can sustain them Dear Parents you will want to know if we have got removed we came into our new house last Tuesday we like it pretty well But I feel tired as it is gone ten only you tell Ab about Mr Lazenby they sold [1 word illegible] furniture and every thing last Thursday I have not been wrong informed

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about the price of spinni[crossed out: g]ng because

I heard the men reckoning it up and they

were talking to one another but I believ[e?]

it is the best place about for I have

heard men say that when the masters

put it out they got it done as cheap

as they did at home we are all middling

and all join in love to you and hoping

you are all well sarah Bray good night