

Sunday Jan 11<sup>th</sup>

I sit up late last night writing to you. but indeed the letter is not fit to send and I would not send it if I had time to write it over. I have sent you many messages by Cousin Lallie & I hope you will receive them.

Uncle Billie told me Cousin Maggie was visiting in Westmoreland. from all the accounts I hear of her is has turned visiting - she used to be a great house body. I wish while she is visiting so extensively she would pay me a short visit. I have written your word to get my summer clothes and you had better get something to make me a wrapping - for silk is selling here for \$12 a yard - and very scarce at that. I saw Mrs Duval a few days ago she wished to be remembered to you & the family. Have you made the cake & sleeves to my capon dress? I want to see you so much, and wish July was here. I shall certainly miss Cousin Lallie - she has been so much company for me, being older. I kinder look ed up to her. I must close - don't show this to any body. Best love to all. Write me long long letters - and very soon  
yours devotedly  
Betty.

**Broun, Bettie Lee. Bettie Lee Broun to Harriet C. Johnson  
Broun, Petersburg, VA, January 11, 1863.**

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Yours [devotedly] Bettie.

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**Notes**

1. Unknown recipient. Assumed to be to her mother Harriet C. Johnson Broun.