have time to attend to it to force a collection of my crops otherwise what Sauk has will certainly be left for the Crows & these are times when we really have to think & act I mean this winter for the poor & indeed for the rich too — I now sell lip than 100 acres that seems thinking the propty must be sold counts the very best part — but I cant accomodate him please tell Rogers to look at the names in my last & try to get every thing collected — Mr VB said he would soon be here again but I will write him — I hope Bon has not got the W Cough seriously

I think my chances of getting the office are very fair I got several letters & about 90 of the merchts here with love to all yrs sincerely

C Birnie Jr

Has Rogers seen Jas Smith about my $15 please send me the forms of corn beef butter & bacon — hams are here 18 cts I might as well apply Smiths money to such purposes

potatoes also they are 75 & 87½ by the boat load at the wharf

I will not neglect Mr VB —

I send a bundle of Books to Mr

Dear Father

I send you a piece written for the Temperance Herald by your Son. I do hope that he will succeed in getting this appointment, as he has been indefatigable in his exertions, and has not left any thing undone to obtain it. I do not think that we can complain of his want of energy now. I have not written to my Father concerning the Endorsement. I am certain it would be useless & only to get a denial, particularly as he is in trouble himself about money — your affectionately

Harriet

Balt. 15th Decr 1836

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