

Goldboro Jan 20th/69

Dear Col.

In closed you will find a note payable to A.T. Bruce & Co., which you will please sign with me, & forward immediately. I have settled up with the firm in full for last year, broke nearly even, had a little balance due me. I think with this advance I will be able to make a good crop. I shall be obliged to let the amount remain in their hands, as shall want them to furnish me with supplies during the year. I am getting on very well so far, will work about twenty hands except to employ day laborers in cottoning cotton.

I think I will be sued

this Spring for about five hundred dollars as I see no way of raising the money, without too great a sacrifice.

Uncle John Buck is anxious for me to pay him, but it is impossible to do so, until I can make some collections. Let me hear from you. I should like to know how you are getting along. Bettie sends love to all & children.

Your fond Brother
W.B. Carr,