

Payments to R. H. Collins

1867. Oct. Advanced Annie for S. Mag.	✓	2.65
" Nov 10 yds Conquer cloth	✓	7.50
" Dec. Lounge	✓	8.00
1868 Jan 1st Cash	X	20.75
" Nov " from bro Ed, per sir J.	✓	38.00
" Feb 1st Pd George Arthur for butter		73.90
		<u>9.72</u>
		83.62

Dear sister Mary. Saturday, Nov 13th '68

I have looked over my books since the settlement in ^{April} 1867. and find the above to be about right. I also have myself charged with \$4.50 cash, as having pd you, but I think there must be some mistake about it as I was under the impression when I was with you last Spring that I our accounts previous to that time had been squared. You or Richard either, never hinted the whole time I was with you that I owed you a cent, except what I borrowed during that visit. If you knew what an exceedingly bitter trial such things are to me, you would have some mercy for me. I owe Uncle George about \$77.00 and more than

\$40. for taxes. besides some \$20. more between this and New Year, with only enough coming in for the last ~~two~~ amounts, so you will not wonder if I am grieved at finding I ^{may} owe about \$20 which I thought paid nearly a year since. Then I will owe Dr Mc B. a small bill besides. If Mr Brodick can he wants to pay a small note he owes me which will now than get me out of debt. But it is very uncertain when he will be able to do it. I paid Uncle George \$25 on my a/c this summer but still owe the above amt. I don't know whether I have your receipt for the \$20.75 or not, but Mr B's books will show it. My recollection is that he was to send it to Richard in a letter about the 1st of Jan so I marked it off "Pd."

Nov 18th '68

Since writing the above, I find by Mr B's books the above amount for butter against you, but no memorandum of the 20.75, and I cannot find a receipt, though I have had no time to make a thorough search. If Rich and cannot find any memoranda or letter