

CIVIL WAR, 2 May 1861 - Louisville Banker to
J. P. CURTIS, nephew in Mass on war.

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Dear Nephew

Your letter came to hand
in due time and its showing intelligence only
but more fully corroborates what we hear and
read. We got a letter yesterday from Bullard
stating that the Northern sentiment was
for wiping out the South forthwith. I still
have hope that all difficulties will be settled
without much blood letting. Kentucky stands
neutral if possible but I fear that if a general
insurrection should ensue she will have to join her
Southern neighbors. I have made arrangements
to quit business and expect to be moving North
slowly by my own private conveyance (if I do not
get discouraged) early in June. We are quite
quiet here in Louisville with some little
stir in the way of military mustering &c &c
Mother has been quite sick but is now getting better.

Your Aunt is as well as usual at present.
We have arranged for a family to take our house and
we expect to live with them when we are in Louisville.
Your very patriotic Cousin George does not live
with us and we see but little of him.
I understand he is a great "fire eater" and if the
worst comes to worst it is possible that he may
ignite an army and then, war to all the "Famul
Goonkees" from the land waters of old
Dunbar to Holland Pond.

Mr Pike left here last week for Philadelphia
in his usual condition. I have not seen
Henry Look & Lady but understand they are
getting along O.K.

Our kind regards to your Father mother
and write us as you may feel disposed.

Yours truly
J. P. Hartis

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From Uncle Buckles.

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Interesting letter about Ky. Sentiments
just prior to full scale CIVIL WAR

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