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PERSONAL LETTER from Blanche Declouet, in St. Martinville, to  
her brother, Paul Declouet, at Brookland School in Greenwood Depot, Virginia.  
St. Martinville, December 6, 1860

Dear Paul,

Though I wrote to you last week I am glad to have a moment today to tell you what happen since that time. Saturday we had the pleasure of seeing Cousin, I think you know that he has left the rail roads, he is now in business. He is making a business turn and intends to go as far as the Opelousas, and will come back here tomorrow. We had also the pleasure of seeing Miss Aurore Favrot, her little sister Octavine and their brother Didier. They came to accompany their little sister who is going to the Convent of Grand Coteau. It is Aunt Catiche (Louise Catiche Declouet Lastrapes) who takes charge of his education. They came Saturday by the Darby and remained here until Monday. They went on that day at Aunt Tonton's (Josephine Declouet l'Homme) and from there they will go at Aunt Catiche's, where they will remain few weeks. The young man will return at Baton Rouge for the opening of the Legislature which will take place on the tenth of this month. He is a Bell man, Papa (Alexander Declouet) had great disentions with him and Cousin who is also a Bell man.

Adieu dear Paul, nothing else to tell you for this time.

Your affectionate sister,

Blanche Declouet