

**Transcript of 2817.35**

1865. David Ross 16<sup>th</sup> Janry. That Ann Mackay is the person who cut the cabers.

St Carron Monday Evng

R H Lipscomb Esq

Sir

I recd your note this morning on my way to the house of the man who built Ann McKay's bothy and upon the suspicion which rested upon him. I at once accused him of Cutting Cabbers out of Sir Charles Wood, and after threatening him considerably, his answer was that Ann McKay herself that cut them.

Alex McGregor's answer to my enquiries when he gave her any Cabers was, that for the last two years he gave her none.

Considering the above, it is clear to my mind that the said Ann McKay is the only one to blame for the fault committed and please let me know at your convenience, what to be done with the matter.

I intend to accompany one of the sheepheards to the hill this week, and also to go to Braelangwell along with another to crosscut firewood for the house and I have the honour to be

Sir

Your Most obt Servt

David Ross