Dayton O. May 16th,
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Dear Luther,

I arrived safely yesterday morning at four o'clock. Father did not get down quite in time but I had no trouble in getting home.

It was the least fatiguing journey I have yet taken, partly owing to the kindness of a married gentleman who began by taking me from body in his arms to quiet, after he had knocked his nose.

We were all standing in the aisle waiting for our kits to be made up and going to the short- and frequent curves in the road, it was almost impossible to keep on our feet, it was owing to this that the little fellow got hurt.

This Mr. Hodge was very kind to him.
and so I had heard him speaking of his life as a good husband and child, was not afraid to allow him to be perfect. The next morning I heard him talking and great sadness to some other friends who were with me, that I felt entirely heartful in regard to him, and very willingly accept all that had to go. Of course, Bob received great attention, and I was relieved of his at each change of care. Then at Chicago, the sent off my despatch and went ahead in time to secure one a great deal. At Chicago he left us, and then we were more changes to be made as I was helped through the journey as much as was needed. Frank had been very sick with something like mumps, and still looks body, sick and thin, else, had been sick with some cold. Great Brady had had something like whooping cough. I think the same kind of cold that preceded in Washington a few months ago. Young Bower is quite sick with some disease of the lungs, and they are very uneasy about him. Mr. Brady leave the hotel down for a short walk last evening, and I learned the photographs and little picture which seemed to give pleasure and satisfaction. Peter was not known what Luther is doing and asked one if I did. Mary says she think you best ask them, and send her Brother was eaten by rumors about him, being useful that she was engaged in business with O. Town. Going to is said to have made and be making a great deal of money, and that he has helped his father, that the business is, I am unable to learn. The Dr. has just been here to see Frank; his last visit undoubtedly, as the child is not again. He says that Tom is quite bright today, but that
this recovery seemed doubtful for two or
three days this week.
Mother says that she is sure that aunt
knows your picture was acknowledged.
She was sick when it came, and uncle Th.
only showed it to the family, without telling
her that it was sent to her, this she did.
Correct accidently some days afterwards,
and told another of it, seemingly very much
pleased, and said she was very much obliged
she remarked to me that you must be
looking well, judging from your picture.
This is very fair yet, and to me looks badly
but they say is much improved, indeed his
life was despaired of for several days.
The rest was much more serious that we
thought of, and caused great anxiety.
Some copperhead, killed Ed. Davis, the door
keeper, and a few others, that he did not wish to
see them hurt, and therefore warned them of
an intention to burn their houses, some sent
their families away, and watched with a few
friends, and had guards stationed around their premises; this kept them from being together and attacked ance by all night.

Wormeall was also an obvious person on account of the "school badge" disturbance.

Powell's house was seriously threatened because the axe with which Vallandingham's doors were battered down was found near him.

Mrs. Powell was dangerously ill and had to be removed to the Park.

Tom Lows wife had just been confined and she had to be removed from the vicinity of the fire. Young Mr. Winter said she supposed it was wicked but she was not sorry to see the wind do that justice as she thought Tom ought to feel return.

Wayne's wife has been visited repeatedly. There are but two or three loyal butchers, and their stalls are crowded with loyal purchasers, but occasionally beguined with filthy by enemies.
The court was quickly made, with the exception of the noise made by the family. They screamed around the neighborhood, and many gentlemen rushed to see what was to come. They were right at the court by the judges and section given, education they agreed that it was right and went quietly home. The act occurred the next evening about dark. The mayor disapproved and all those held if they at once by it a convenient time to keep himself away from the court of trouble, and had the impudence to go to the arresting officer and ask to view the clothes put on his hands, saying that he would have them furnished and take them to keep the peace. This was of course refused, and the order that he would be held responsible for future acts.

Once John was standing at the dock our evening when a friend brought some doubts a stick or knife at his and told her that their turn would come.

There was trying scenes and discussions.

Once too I was amused at the tremendous deals with five women; he took his sister, late with Emery, and I believe aunt Anne to see the fire, and as they walk (said to the very see rather a daunting notice) they came upon the soldiers and two from Cincinnati, they had just arrived. The women thought they were going to be some trouble and wouldn't do it till they got ready.

Emily was just in and said that a court of Cincinnati is reported; I asked her to tell Uncle to tell me all about it for your benefit.

Uncle and Elder Cousin have been talking with me at this former; they leave without certainly about Cincinnati. I'm the Dickenson report, but Uncle says he will let us know the soon after coming. So I believe I will not the state till tomorrow morning. — Father says
give her love to you and say that she is very glad to have us both with her and wishes you two well there. — Mary is looking very badly, and the Doctor told her that she would soon meet finally if she worked so hard. — We had a long letter from Howard last night dated May 2nd. He was in fine spirits and at Cynthiana to which place he had just returned after a week's excursion. They had been de- 
stroying bridges and taking in contrabands at a good rate.

Sewing — Father says there was no rest in 
Cincinnati, a crowd gathered, and a riot fore eno; a cannon was got taken out and order 
preserved. — It was the Talladega cannon 
that gathered the crowd.

The children are in bed: Frank has been following Baso Towry's example and is digging 
a hole in the yard to go through to China. 
Sophie Towry was quite distressed because Baso 
was going to China!

Mother is going to go up to the Office with the 
letter and money to goodbye dearest One.

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