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Dear Husband,

Part of the family had gone to the concert tonight with Uncle Jim who invited us all, but I did not want to go without the children. I mean to take them tomorrow evening; as toaddy I have some misgivings as he is in the habit of going to sleep very early.

We took tea at Uncle's. Mother smuggled Baby over with the young people, will particularly seemed to enjoy his company, she stood quite contentedly with the chambermaid, and acquitted herself creditably. This evening I took her up stairs, the boys were so bad, but full of mischief, as soon as she heard them she began to laugh aloud, and grunted at them, ready for a play.
Friday afternoon. I went to the Yoga last night and began with her tonight. She finished a chair before she and walked several miles before this morning. She made such afternoons but is so many a little won as I can see.

Kelly is inclined to stay at home tonight. But Ella and Frank are to go. The Cantasi will nearly close last night, and I think it very much. I am tired to begin with.

I was caught sight of my letters and threatened to read my "love letter" I told her that I had not put any love in yet, so she told me to put a come in here when I get it that part.

She is much as usual, but sad at times; we are enjoying the visits, and are sorry we have to leave to go to Uncle John's today! But hope to have been back in a few days.

Luc and Let went down to Cincinnati on Wednesday and have not yet returned so we suppose that Mrs. Williams and Mr. Bray are making it agreeable for them. Ella and Frank are nothing about "dine", for the Cantasi, as little they will come to know, yet my idea isn't slow. If you are to the office so we go to the hall.

We are two last night that Eugene had been paid, as he and Hobart are off, and the Dr. Hahler, all.

Still here a bill of $45.00 at HIS and Hobart's, mine, part of my next bill. I don't know how much of his payment is. But in some after all is paid off, there will be little left. Tonight have got about $150 owed for my coupons if I had sold them a little later, but if had already answer till some time beyond the day they are payable, and you advise me to sell them at the time or a price of...
sentences again the bill that Mr. Brady brings is for $76.00 for new books and a repainting of one; $8.50 for office desk; $4.00 mail box.

Please tell us as soon as possible about this item.

Sunday afternoon — I have written

as you see, some time to finish. For a great many things happened, trivial in their nature, but enough to keep me from writing. We went to the concert, and were tired enough; still I was somewhat amused at Mr. Crank's oratorical is the last but one awake bright and early and briskly telling how all about it when I awoke. — I have not been at Mr. Bridget for a long time, but yesterday Brother sent me down in the carriage to stop a couple of hours while she and Aunt Mary rode out to Libby. Instead of staying two hours they were gone three, so I was kept to dinner; that with two Baby and the two little boys. Mrs. Braddy walks with much less difficulty than she did but will very likely be impromptu and great
of doors too much. Luther has sent for
Matt to invite him in Washington, and she
is getting ready to start in a week or two.
I think, with Mrs. McDaniels. The house may
be stipple on account of the severe illness of
his youngest boy, who has been a great sufferer
for a long time, with scurvy and diph.
and is much worse now.
To be short, you are much mistaken, it
is to be expected to

Ally Flasman has got into trouble.

Evening—Placing concluded to join the
rest of the family at Lib's. I laid aside
my pen, and read to the children first.
Then Mary and I walked out, leaving the
little ones to Betty's care. They all promised
good behavior, but didn't quite come up
as the standard. Betty good however. One of
The boys told Father on his return that they had had a “ Yankee dish for supper” and on inquiry as to what it was, the elder said “ Dutch soup!”

We found all at dinner at 7 o’clock, it was Elliott’s birthday, and I once saw him to many before. Everything he got he called his “birthday.” He told his Grandfather that he had a birthday while on it,” and wanted him to have a piece, you could never guess that he meant a cake. I suppose.

In the evening, Mr. Davis and Russell were there, the two latter asked after you.

I began to tell you about a lawyer, Venable, I heard yesterday that he was about to have forged notes to the extent of $30,000.

In the evening I saw Mr. Venable and asked him about it. He said he believed he had not done so but would not till the claims to have been deceived by scuffles who have forged, and says he only negotiated some for them delaying all right. Thomas Purvis is a victim to the sum of $30,000 if the thiefs are not caught and made to refund.

He was arrested at Human’s inquisition last night. Purvis, Womans and some others besides all to go away quietly as they didn’t wish to present him; but he knew that he had not been criminals and must try the thing through. I hope for his mother’s sake, and brothers’ sake that he can prove his innocence, but suppose it will be his name in the honesty or his abilities as a lawyer must be questioned.

He has too much depending money for so young a man with his family to support. Uncle John told them plainly that his trouble was that he was a drunkard and a gambler. The first I had not supposed, but have heard before that he was a very expert gambler.
you that your letters of the 9th and 11th came together, as you had supposed, and the money.

The excitement of company had kept my spirits up till yesterday, when no letters, and a dread of the coming campaign caused one a bad fit of depression. Aunt Mary and Aunt Ann both came over me, it seems, and determined very kindly to cheer me up, if possible today, so Aunt Ann made me stay to dinner with her and as the children followed me by one would insist on getting them up too. Aunt Mary charged me to keep me all afternoon, but till the May got sleepy I preferred taking her home, and after getting her quiet and the children read to, went as I said to Lily's. The kindness of all friends and the fresh air have made me cheerful again, but I cannot promise a long continuance of good spirits, with that terrible campaign in view. It seems our efforts in your behalf are made too soon, why didn't you tell us when and how you wished them made? I did not see your letters, but suppose you were not explicit on those points, to relieve a little either, and certainly getting from my letters that promptness was desirable is to your example as to the right you have to this place till you have seen some service, you must be your own judge. I have never felt that you can come to enter the service at all, with the family you have, still now that you are in it, your honor is dear to me and I submit to