Dayton June 14th 1864

My dear Augusta, We have three letters from thee, received yesterday, Mine of June 10th. I was proposal to answer, having no letter from thee taken this scrap. On be called last evening and gave me the fullest and most satisfactory account of Luther's condition that we have had. He is to say he may go to Washington soon again, and shall have many of the little ones up the linens, breakfasts, and others found in the linen. These I intend to send by the first opportunity. There also sent the water and measures, which has been asked for. I think they will not have any time to work, I only sent them at my regret. Baby and all are well, Selma has just gone to Mrs. Gregg's funeral. And Mary says she will let the boys to go see cream, because they will not go well with them. Mary is very busy preparing for the Commencement at the Seminary. I hope she can
rest some next week. I expect Miss Read here this week, and I will have to work hard, but I do not intend she shall if I can help it. She sends much love to you both, and says she will write soon. I wrote some days ago and said I did not think it best for thee to have baby with thee. The care of Luttrell is quite enough, and if they had a nurse for baby, which they would be obliged to have, they would have to watch and care for her too, making thee to care for by thee. Then your expense would be nearly double. I intend to have her with me, we can keep care of each other, and I can get fresh milk for her. Thos E will go to Presburg, but she herself says she does not expect to. Thos by this time is much better and will soon be able to travel, and he is strong, and in good spirits. Thos he will be promoted, and re tired, and then you can have quiet at home again, unless you prefer some other residence. Give him my best love. This is a severe trial, and our last from Howard was June 31st, on their way to Atlanta. He says he is well, and is much concerned about Luttrell. You have given the last yearl news, but it is doubtful what he will receive it. Our cellar well is nearly up. I send the measures & pattern, but I think they will soon be an opportunity to send the linen. I sent the eperfor by Mrs Bell; she has the eperfor to send the linen.