Dec. 18, 1842.

Dear Augusta: It is now very near fifteen o'clock, but as I am not sleepy I propose to scribble till I am. This is the marriage anniversary of Captain Levy and I have spent the evening with them, that is, till one o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Levy, their husband and wife, we talked, ate dinner and drank a little and played cards until the hour aforesaid. When we adjourned, Lucy and Pipes came into my quarters and we smoked and talked till a short time since. The Captain says she brooded this wife this morning very early, by a kiss, and asked her if she knew what they did last night; and that there was no sleep after she had told her that they had been in married just one year. I should suppose not.
I have just part of a copy of St. Theodore's Prayer, which I shall send. I hope the new room will enjoy my Xmas present. -

Somehow this letter seems protracted as it should, but I must try to finish before the toy comes, for the letter so it can leave me soon.

Sunday night I reach you before Wednesday. May of the 10th. I just reached me, but in there one or two on the way to you. I do not feel so much concerned. I am very glad to hear that the children are getting along. I hope none of them will suffer from the after effects of the dinner, as I know how much can you take of one dish with one, I am very hungry on that score. — I gave you all the information I thought necessary in reference to the house, present in one of my letters, which I hope some one will forward to you; — I don’t know what has been done, but I hope it will mean more than play there, — I get a letter from my sister yesterday, the letter to thank you ought not to come and again to your firm devotion. If the weather continues as cold as it is, I try to think of would be chilly for you to stay at my. At any rate, I don’t want you to hurry away from to have a
This which will benefit you. So far you have had only
but very little, when you get through with that, have
a good time for two or three weeks & then come on if
the weather is good and you think you can bear the
fatigue of two such long journeys. You know I should
be very glad to have you here, but now if the losing
and going are likely to be injurious, I incline Col B's
picture for Mary, with his autograph on the back).
I drew one for myself. The group did not from
to be good after all, than in the back ground are
Walshw, but the Col Lap. I myself who were little
then very poor. I did not by any, I think there
a couple of drawings of the Fort. The will have to
borrow somebody's stereoscope to get a satisfactry
view of them. I also lend a couple of motion. We
in Dublin now for Edger, which you will please to
have

Sent...
I went the other day to see Church's new Museum, picture, stained in five hours and so large! Can you imagine? [Let them think of that!] It is a splendid picture, representing the portion of the Atom which has been discovered. The American's view from the mirror just below it, is about as good as a picture can be. Then way a mirror hanging in front of the picture, and it appears to greater advantage in that than on direct view. I hope you will have a chance to see it some day. — I have an invitation to spend Xmas at Hartford which I would like to accept, if I didn't have to wait Oct 13 for permission to go. I think we've got better to each other's people, sometimes, and when I think I won't, I become very thoughtful over the thought of it. So I guess I won't, but will devote my Sunday Xmas, entirely alone. — The boy they came for this letter to see him to know did you go by. Some time since Miss V. turned out the turning from there further beyond Xmas.