Dayton March 1863
My dear Augusta, There just finished a long letter to Howard, in answer to our stated request. Miss Feb 18th. He was well then. I hope he will write to you also. I went to Dr. Leber's last evening. He was very ill. I left word with Mrs. H. to the blacking, and told her to ask her Husband what she should do. Today I went, and knew out but Mrs. H. says he prescribed as usual. We did not say her often, but I think she is so poisoned, I would not take more than close, on lying down at night. She says she always sleeps, and did not seem to lay much stress upon it.

The children are both well, and have gone with Betty to see their Aunt Bragg, yesterday I sent them with Betty to see the sea forts. They were extremely pleased to see the Monogrammers.
in spring for they think they will be here then. The house has not closed the bargain with Henry yet, because Runstone and Carroll and Folsom too are anxious to have the lots fronting Steele Ave. told them if they could find any one willing to take it at our price and that many they will consent. Henry does not care which way it is cut, in any event it will be necessary for us to move, and we will take your house. Thee says Luther leaves all to the end one. I think he had better find room himself. His opinion about what will be right for rent and house too, I know nothing about it. The fence fell down. The other day again, Father went and put in an old post to found there, and nailed the boards on. After my letter came, the boys Charley and asked him if they were willing to join in making the fence. He said his Father would be home in April, and they had thought of joining you in Spring, Father said he hoped they would, if not, we would have to put up a rough board one to keep dogs and chickens out. He is afraid of Bruno, and said John's dog had nearly killed his hunting dog, and he wanted a good fence on account of Bruno, &c. He shall say I believe I gave you in my last, an account of Frank's birthday. I think he is sorry it only comes once a year. I wish to begin moving as soon as the bargain is closed with Henry, but do not wish to be forced. I want to do it at my leisure. I do not think I would take much. As usual, if I was in New York, I would have sent one line and a kiss to Papa. Mamie and Pauline and Robert. All send love.

Open your mouth.

Your own, [Signature]