

she was much gratified at the mention you made of her in your letters, sends her love, and a great many messages that I cannot write. she says you must be sure and bring Sue Holt, home with you - Mary Ellen has another tooth just coming through, on the upper jaw which is the last, but the wisdom tooth, that will not trouble her shortly, I guess. Annie is very anxious for me to tell you, she is a good girl, she never forgets to tell me every night before she goes to sleep. she says tell Mother I do not suck my finger any more, she is trying hard to break herself of the habit. she goes to bed without doing it, but gets it into her mouth in her sleep. Fanny sent for them one day this week. and if I keep well enough, I am going down with them the first of next week.

Your Mother and Fannie were ^{here} yesterday a little while, both were well. your Mother seems much pleased that you ^{are} having such fine times, and is anxious for you to visit Cynthia in which we all join most heartily. Thebe says she thinks Aunt Mary might have sent her love to her.

Mr. Collins has gone out of town to-day again, he did not get home last night until 12 o'clock, and sometimes he stays all night. won't we all ^{be} glad when the election is over. I feel ^{anxious} that he may prove the successful candidate. It would be so hard to work so for nothing. He has been greatly disappointed about the Plank road, not going as he wished.

We miss you so much, I hope Sue is enjoying herself as much as you are. I want to see her mighty - Is Bettie going to Cincinnati to hear Fanny Lind? if so, she must be sure and pay us a visit as she returns. If she does not urge her to come home with you. tell her Tom Sharpe is expected home this expected this evening. My best love Richard, Sue, Mr. & Mrs. Holt and the two Betties, Cousin Will, and Willie, in short every body that I know.

Charlotte Herbert expects to go to Cincinnati on Monday to hear Fanny Lind, there are a good many going down. Would it I love to go? but I would rather go to church tomorrow this may seem a want taste to ^{many} but not to you, dear boy.

Little Lattie B. has been right sick for a day or two, but is much better now. the little baby is as hearty as a little Pig, and just about as fat. Henry Taylor has not come to Mayaville, at least we have not heard of it. I know of no news outside of home worth relating. The Post ^{Boy} has not made its appearance yet, Mr. Young has another article ready for Mr Grundy - if it did not get so thoroughly poured or popped as to amount to an immersion - and destroy its beauty thereby, while they were putting the fire on Sunday evening last.

Dr. Murphy is at home, he says, it was all a hoax about the fortune he says "he would be willing the old fellow should live if he would give away that much," she will not be down for some weeks. Will is very much pleased with the Goddard House. Lizzie Kirk is very low, with Typhoid fever. I am so tired. God bless you every one.

Yours in much love -

The children all rested better

Margaret,

and coughed less last night than they have ever done - Annie was delighted with her little letter.

You will I hope excuse this ill-looking letter. I get so tired, that I hurry over the words before I can write them -

Mrs. C. and all unite in much love to all -