

What money was for the coloring of Lillie's Gowns. Cousin Lizzie received a letter through her Mother the other day from Agnes, who contains the account of the illness and death of her father's cousin George Luskant. I also the obituary notice of Uncle Alfred, and "Mr Beardmore" cousin Jane's half sister's husband. I intended going for the letter this morning if it had not been so muddy but you can see it - Duty - morning going to all the gossips. 5/17/13

I received your letter Saturday morning. We had begun to think strange that you had not written before. We have heard nothing of Al or Mother since they left. I suppose we shall not hear now until she returns home. Sister Fanny says if Sue is not better you must come up with the children, and she expects you all to give this visit to us exclusively, as Mrs Collins & Mrs Blatterman have a house full of visitors. Though Belle and Miss Catherine have been at Mrs B's the last week nursing Mollie. Dr Duke has been visiting her every day. She has had two or three nervous chills. She was well enough however to be out on the "piazza" last evening, I do not know how long Mollie and Miss Anderson will remain, but I presume several weeks. So you must make arrangements for the children to stop here, and if you are not through with your sewing bring it along, and we will help you as neither sister nor I myself have anything we are hurried about. I spend almost half my time reading. This reminds me that my brother Ed has either been circulating slanderous reports of me, or he has been misrepresented. as cousin Marian has written to cousin Lizzie that I was to be married soon. Now brother Ed knows there is no foundation for any report of this kind and I believe he has too much good sense to mention anything of the kind even if he believed it were so. But he must not