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My darling dear Mother,

How much do you suppose I can get written before the tea bell rings? I shall try to get down the page. I can't tell you how delighted I was to hear from you, as for worrying about Hattie's having more letters from you than I, it never occurred to me that she did, but what comes to her comes just as much to me. What a shame that Alice Holmes and her baby are so feeble. I hope that it will live. Is she going to try Mincassia? There is a Miss Treadwell here from Jackson who lives very near Mrs. Hobart. I like her very much indeed. She has a really remarkable face. Miss Wiebe says "she looks like our poet Schiller." I feel quite proud of her. I expected nothing more or less, than that the Brooks and Bernards would appear in red or green on the first Sunday How do you admire the new style of bonnets? I think that they are the most graceful shape that I have seen. How thankful I am that Mrs. Wheaton has something new to put over her self. Where is Mrs. Tarbox going to live? I should like to have seen her married - at least I should to have seen her husband during the ceremony. There is the tea bell. Don't you think I'm smart. Miss Gilbert is sick. I am afraid she has a touch of ague. She really is quite sick. I had the honor of teaching our Greek class, as for giving out the lesson went. She is so different from what E has always imagined. Every one likes her very much - Some of the girls think she is the nicest teacher here. She has been very kind to us, very indeed. I had a nice long letter from Sara to day, she does write capital letters. I do want to be at home next month. What are you going to do Thanksgiving Day? Doesn't it seem improper to have it in December. Aren't you sorry for Mrs. Rumney? It does seem as if she had children enough. How's Cousin Bell? Give a great deal of love to her. Are the old lady and gentleman any respectabler than formerly? Frankie Hunt wrote to Prof. Farrar's wife to the effect that we were here Prof. Farrar stopped Minnie coming out of chapel last week and told her that his wife despaired of hunting us out and therefore wished us to call on her, consequently night before last, we started out and invited Miss Sayles to take us. We had a most delightful visit. I do love Prof. Farrar, his wife is very pleasant. The Prof. knew Mr. George Curtiss very well, (you know he came here from Elmira) It seemed so pleasant and home like there, that nothing less than the demands of some terrible lessons at home was sufficient to tear us away. I am going to cultivate Prof. Tenney, he lives so near it would be delightful to go and see him. I have given away my beloved mud turtle. H. and M. didn't find him a congenial parlor mate. Miss Avery came in here Sunday and staid nearly an hour. She was very pleasant, talked about almost every thing. We have got to go into the Laboratory at least half an hour a day - I presume we shall enjoy it very much. What a kind considerate man Mr. Pease is, the more I know of him the better I like him. Do tell me what Mrs. Coucklin did to those collars? Did she make them chokers or what? I don't believe I brought your stocking - I remember seeing one and not the other when packing but thought the other one had been put away I am very sorry about it. When is Father coming? Nobody had mentioned it lately. Do the girls say much about their Father marriage? are they making many preparations for Mrs Fomeroy? How does Mary feel? How's Miss Seger? Love to her. Mrs. Sumner Mrs. Raymond, Mr. and Mrs. Freeland ditto - How I wish I could go to church. You don't know how much I like to hear from you. Give a great deal of love to every one I known especially May Colburn and her baby - Send us some pound sweets do. I think I should like to have you send the whole city at the same time. How does Helen get along? Tell Willie I do want a letter. Can't you come with Father? I fairly ache

to see you.

Good bye your loving daughter
Mattie