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My dear Keturah

Your very welcome letter came duly to hand and I will delay no longer in answering the same and to tell you how glad I was to hear from you for it is so seldom I hear from your folks that I have almost forgotten I have any relations in old Va. I can hardly realize that you are a young lady for when I think of you I see you as you were when I last saw a little chubby girl but then and now are a long distance apart and time makes such great changes that one can scarcely realize its stern realities I am glad to know that you are doing so well in your school and I trust your fondest hopes may be realized and that your future may be one of usefulness. We are all quite well and enjoy our selves with