

I enclose Dr. Luce's bill for your Sunday school.
The last incident contains a promising account of an enterprising
man, who is now in the hands of the law.

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My dear Miss Ann

Your most interesting
and affectionate letter has given me
much gratification - it carried me back
to those happy days of your youth
and pleased sympathies when
the cheerful group of Sisters & Cousins
united in loving fellowship seemed
to enjoy the brief hours of social
and mutual intercourse. The
basest hopes & wishes & fancies
were preparing you for future
it - and each after years of ex-
perience, would perhaps say they
ought to be grateful for that
that first breach has been made in
acknowledging that God has been
merciful in taking our dear
Rosa. And in the numerous

happiness that have crowned your days,
inherently. It is enough to know that
the dear departed, was prepared for her
death that she was not only resigned but
waited prayerfully, until it should please
God to release her from suffering. Her dear
Mother & Ellen mourn for her, but we wasted
knowing had she continued here, it must
have been in a helpless state of painful
endurance. Your letter Dear Minnie, is
so affectionately set forth your appreci-
ation of Ellen's merits that I have sent
it for her perusal. She will be comforted by
your sympathy and cheered by your
loving approval -

I was very glad to hear about Miss Vera
Remple, as it was long since I knew any-
thing about her condition. Not to show I
have indeed been blessed friends to her I
could not help writing to Henrietta to tell
her of your kindness & hospitality, the
bread of care and trouble she passed
through in Phila. taught her "the uses of ad-
versity." Poor girl, my heart often ached for her,
when she encountered checks & disappointments

ments in her efforts to obtain employment.

When I could only give her words of encouragement I ~~conceded~~ to leave her on through the morning way - saying give my love to her, and say I wish she would occasionally inform me of her situation, I have often intended to write to her, but you know how much my time is continually taken up, to the exclusion of letter writing except to my children - one last letter from Sara was written in Maine, dated 9th Nov. - She was at Saco ferry - and the Soc. with all her family of children & nurses - she wishes Profred Gray to pay her a visit as soon as they get home and I expect to send them - I have been greatly disappointed in respect to the Prory education - Profrie has gained very little advantage, either in manner or instruction as far as I can discern - She does not seem to have acquired the habit of employing herself - I hope Miss Botthens successor will be more attentive to practical education, or I should be unwilling to have Profrie waste another year there - she has greatly improved in health and is very fond of that scenery. can you learn from the Hunters any thing about the lady who is to

take charge of it during the absence
of Misses Prother? Grady is a very interesting
youth, exceedingly like his father in
appearance & manners. but too slender
for his height. He is quite intelligent &
appears judicious in the use of his time.

I am charmed with your account of
your lovely children - Sweet little Maimie
will bring up her children with very proper
restrictions. Kip them all for me, and tell
them their Aunt Annies has told me a great
many things about them all. How glad
I am that Sabannah has escaped the
feverance, and enjoyed such a blessed
climate this summer. We at the North
have had very hot weather - plenty of
mosquitoes - but refreshing rains, and
freedom from diseases, so we may join
together in thanks giving to God for
all his mercies. and pray that we may
deserve a continuance of His favors. Your
Aunt Mary, Uncle Sam (the only one at home)
Norace & the girls all send their love to
you, to which my darling add for your Mrs
and self the devoted affection of your attached
Grady