My Dear Cousin: I expect thee thinks I have forgotten thee but I have not I have thought of writing to thee several times but I have never got it accomplished I received Sarah's letter and was very glad to hear from you and to hear that you were well we are all middling well excepting Mother she has been right poorly for a week or two with a bad cold and sore throat she thinks she has the erysipelas in her throat the rest of us are middling well we hope that you are enjoying good health. Aunt Phebe is still right poorly she has never got down stairs yet for this week or two past she has felt weaker and has not felt as much like getting down stairs as she did some time ago Rebecca thinks it is doubtful about her getting down stairs any more. It will soon be vacation and we want you to let us know if you want to come up and spend some time with us if I get up to uncle Courts [Cortland Chandlee?] when school is done John [John Chandlee] said he would bring me down to see you but you must be sure and let us know when to meet you at the rail road we can meet you any time, When have you heard from Edward [Edward A. Fulton] we are
anxious to hear from him we do not know where to write to or we would write to him. We got a letter from Uncle Mark Tuesday they started Monday for harpers ferry and we have not heard from him since Eliza wants sarah [Sarah C. Fulton] to write soon, tell her I will write soon, Well I must bring my letter to a close write soon with much love to you all. I remain thy well wishing cousin!

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