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Phila^a
November
13th 1857

Dearest Aunt.

You have not written to your "Little fat Allie" for so long that I have almost given up in despair of ever hearing from you again, but nevertheless will return post for you & write you one of my usually feeble letters.

I am going to a concert tonight & so must hurry my letter through (which I am very sorry for, as you know my love for writing & especially those for home) I will try & find time tomorrow to write to Aunt Mary & can tell her all about it (I mean the concert) which I expect will be very pleasant as that boy plays & Gratzoline sings (don't

know how to spell her name)
Tomorrow I spend the day at
Mrs Page's & in the evening at
Mrs Lewis's some people I
met at Prince-Ford who have
been very polite & kind to frame
& I since we have been here
Miss Helen Lewis is engaged to
John Potter they are to be married
in February I admire her very
much, as she is so kind by a
great many, Annie is a very sweet
little creature quite pretty & of about
a foot my age.

The Pages have changed their
minds about going South & so
I will see a good deal of Poppy.
I am happy to say, I only wish
you could see & know her
I send you a little piece
of poetry I composed for
me, is it not sweet? you see
I have given her the idea she
has of you "The sunbeam of
the South" or "Allie's embrace"
she can't decide which it must

"apropos" I think the latter
is, it's certainly very true in
both cases, no penny! etc

Will you please promise darling
to send it rip his back too
I want to keep it myself & she
might miss it, so send it back
& don't show it to a soul now
sure please don't, the name

"Duss" is a new one of mine
that Emma gave me & that
the girls call me by except Pops
who designated me with the
lovely appellation of "How baby or
pet or some thing of the sort"

To hot jets on "his hair" I will
make a little account some time
when I have a spare moment which
I fear will never be while I am here
of my studies & week days & etc
you understand so that you
can know pre actly what I
am doing.

The trees are beginning to have
a very doleful look not a leaf
on them full think only six weeks

gone & his time aint it
won defut? Time does fly so fast.
How jet I must close wth
love to all from Maime & myself
& kisses from both also to your
beautiful self I am your loving
Allie

Do not say any thing about this
letter I mean read it for certain
parts that you would not think
guess others would not understand