

Saratoga Springs Feb 28th 1861

My Dear Uncle

Well I am seated here in my old place once more to the very agreeable task of answering kind and welcome letters which I received last Monday the 20th. I found us all enjoying our usual good health and spirits and Father also is gaining but rather slowly but I think he will get along now if we are careful of him.

I am very glad that you returned home safe and am also glad of your promotion and wish I were there to see your stripes on for you or your men at home so that I could I would not care which.

Well perhaps you do not believe it

but we went to Ballston Spa with
that terrible surprise party last Thursday
evening and had a good time I did
at any rate and I guess the rest did
Cousin Carr's people were up to our
house the same day

Frankie Davis sends her best
respects to you and says she has not
been to a party since that time we started
to Ballston she had a sore throat so she
nor George Feabury did not go with us

One of Frank's sisters has been married
since you were here and went right off
and has not returned yet Mr Davis's
people are fixing to move they are going
over the lake some where near the Conklin
Springs — You had ought to be up

here this week for Minnie Avery is
coming up here this week I expect I heard
so the other day so of course it must be so

I had a letter from Uncle P. O. Hill
the 23rd he was well and said he should

liked to have been home when you were

Oh did you get any Valentines, I tell
you I got a handsome one but I found
out who sent it so it spoiled all the
fun you know

It had been a very disagreeable
day today it has snowed all day long
steadily and I had to stay at home from
school so it was lonesome enough

Well I am getting tired and it
is getting very near tea time so I
will close by bidding you an affectionate
Goodnight and pleasant dreams

I Remain Your Ever

Loving Niece

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To Her Dear Uncle Seth