

Sunnyside Jan^r 4th

My dear Kate

I was very much pleased to get your nice letter to day and will answer it immediately as I remember I did not answer your first one, but that was because I went to see you in a few days after and thought that was better than a letter. I am glad to hear you have had such a nice Christmas and so many presents, I think you will be made up with feastings now for some

time. I did not know that any one else would give you one and thought you would be pleased to have one.

I am glad you continue to like your school so much. I have seen very little of the Holdreys' since you left, as there are no children here they very seldom come, little Melly and Laura have both grown very much. Miss Ryan is there now as Governess for Susie and Melly. Susie is taking music lessons and Miss Grinnell told me to day she was getting on very nicely with it. We sent some toys up to Robert's children

for Christmas and they were delighted with them, we sent a doll to little Mary and she is so pleased she will not let it go out of her hands.

Your Grandfather had a letter to day from your Mother in which she says she had received a very nice one from you.

I expect cousin Eliza will be up before very long and she has promised she will stop for you some Friday and bring you with her to stay over Sunday, if you were here now you would have some nice sliding down the hills, for it is so slippery you can

scarcely walk, but you know
that would all be nice fun
for you. Matilda was in town
two or three weeks since and
went to see you but you were
not at home. She was very
sorry not to see you. There
is no dancing school up here
this winter and the children
all seem to be very quiet. I
hear of no parties or dancing
among them. Maria says I must
give a great deal of love to you
with kind remembrances to your
Aunt I am your

affectionate Aunt Kate