

Albany Decemberth 31. 1828

My dear Grandfather

I would have written to you before, but I have to study so hard, that it occupies nearly all of my. I hung up my stocking but unfortunately it was empty, but I had a present from cousin Fanny C. Tell Matilda that I suspect she has entirely forgotten Bella, for she has never spoken of him, tho I suppose she is too gay to think of dogs. I study very hard and shall try to improve myself. I study French Elocution Geography Grammar History Rhetoric Arithmetic. I learnt drawing the first quarter, but Mother thought I did not improve and so I gave it up, wish I was very sorry to do, for I have so much to do that I cannot draw at home, but I hope I shall have some other opportunity to learn. I suppose Julia's agent will tell her I wish ~~she~~ would show me something. Give my love to Shot and ask him if he remembers me, if he does not he is an unthankful heart. Give my very best love to Julia and tell her I wish she would write to me. Give my ^{best} love to Matilda and tell her I am very happy but not so gay as she is. Give my love to Charles and remember me

to let me see my dear Grandfather I must let you see right
and never cease to be your affectionate Granddaughter etc

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