

and so worse as my present state of  
I am in the dining room alone - The  
bell is ringing Eva & D Davis are com-  
ing from the Dispensary - good night.

Saturday morning.

At the same waiting for water - bent yet  
Eva to do anything - it is not so pleasant  
as you think - the yard is not clean & etc  
Do not be mortified at all the indifferent  
scholars being with or on a par with  
you - if you study time will show  
what you are - I wrote you concerning  
your report - I feel little doubt but you will  
improve in the next - let a sense  
of right guide you in all things & you  
will be obliged to gain in knowl-  
edge, & the good opinion of those whose  
opinion is worth having. Your  
uncle will have opposition - Mr  
Wiggins or Smith. & Long & Hills  
run on the ticket with him.  
We expect an exciting campaign.  
D joyner may run in the commons  
on the Know nothing ticket. Am expecting  
Matt Ransom & family over. Matt is  
one of the democratic candidates  
in Northampton. Am very busy  
health has improved since you left.

Had a letter from Annie  
& Hallie - they were away  
try themselves fruitfully.  
I have not heard from Miss  
D since she left - Miss  
Kirkland will be here  
next week. My school  
will probably open  
with Prairie is not well  
this morning & I will  
write you about the  
I think of you tho  
I did not write as I intended. Mrs & Da &  
Brother are here and I feel as if I have  
so much to do - cousin William has been  
here too. Yesterday brother & I went  
to aunts Taylors after no & then to see  
aunty - oh she is so bad. She has  
not forgotten you in her grief but  
sends love. aunt Taylor says she thinks  
aunt grows more & more sad no think  
so soon. A picnic came off at the mill  
Tuesday I went with mother - aunt Boston  
& cousin Louis were there. Cousin Ben  
James & William were there & it was as  
said they are in love & so most adorably  
aunt Boston the names of the ladies  
Mother carried cousin Eliza body - it is a  
rally & may now app. you to say if

sweet pretty thing. Miss Bonnie Hill's house scoured, so you see Mams  
some others were up from Scotland neck Coff we have not had a very quiet  
The next day there was a ~~distress~~ at moth time this vacation. I tried to get some  
isen Hill. Miss Patti will tell Henrietta sweetgum to send you when cousin  
about it. Uncle, Pa, & brother went up Bettie went, but could not I had a  
Your letter of the 18<sup>th</sup> did not reach us large lump brought me the other  
until yesterday. Mother began to think morning, how I wish you had it  
you had nor written. Cousin Lucy is with  
you. You must tell me how she gets  
along. You say cousin Bettie. Have  
you written to Miss D yet? I have a  
little chicken named pigeon I have  
given my ring to brother. he wanted it  
and mother told me to give it to him.

Yes uncle is a candidate. Mr Still  
& Dr. Long run on the same ticket  
it is said that Mr Wiggins or  
Mr Smith will oppose uncle. I  
sent you a little present by cousin  
Lucy. Did cousin Bettie succeed in  
getting some may apples to you?  
Mother has just got <sup>up</sup> having the

large lump brought me the other  
morning, how I wish you had it  
Miss Roth is mottling my pink  
gingham dress she sends her love  
to you. It is most dark, so  
good night mams Coff.

Your child.

Mattice R Davis.

Hattie has finished her letter -  
I will add a few lines - Supper is  
ready - Eva is quite well & sends  
much love. Says Aunt is looking  
very badly - Her loss cannot be  
repaired - She says her comfort  
is that her sainted husband  
was a christian - dear good  
woman she ~~is~~ is - how I feel for her.