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I have been so busy, dear sister, that I have scarcely left myself time to write to you on, brother Jeff has written to sớm however to inform us of the failure of the lottery. Many laws made against it by New York & Maryland, & his determination to pay the debts, if it can be done, with the proceeds he expects from grand-para-papers, the friendly offer of Yates & McIntyre of the use of their offices all over the United States. & it will not be known until the fall whether these papers will bring money enough to pay the debts. Brother Jeff says (I with truth) that it never could have been grand-para's intention to leave his daughter destitute & that he had confidence enough in him to be sure that in putting every thing in his hands be secured a comfortable support to her, such sentiments and the conduct he means to pursue meet no comment. The words speak for itself. I must continue all of the noble integrity of his character. I have no idea that grand-para had any idea that it would be necessary to appropriate these papers to monetary support, he could not think that sixty years of devoted services to his native country & the best of fortunes could be forgotten so soon and his children left in beggary by the country to whom he had be- nourished them, but all seem to have taken their hearts against us except some few among individuals & two amongst the states and towards these we feel so much the greater gratitude.
of all persons none have shown more feeling towards us than Mrs. Dunlop, after repeated & pressing invitations to us to go to see them I went determined to stay a week but extended the visit to a fortnight’s length because I could not get away going to their party on Saturday. During the last week since Cary was with me invited by Mrs. Bonnymill on my account we were much visited & had several parties given us, so much so, that we were out constantly & not up very late every night & so in quite as much disposition as we could have been in town we were both quite indisposed by it before we came home. I only went to one large party for I did not like to be in so much company at this time, their society at the University might be a very charming one if they were & is very agreeable I think, but they say they are made up of such incongruous materials that they cannot mix as they ought to do. Mr. & Mrs. Bonnymill do not go out at all for he is a narrow man & queer tempered, does not as other people. The Blattmanns are too low to schlock any but vulgar society & are severely on speaking terms with the professors & their wives & daughter. Mr. Key keeps himself very close up to New Harlington, Mr. Key who has resigned I will return shortly to England. Mr. Dunlop is the most sociable & is particularly intimate with the Americans he professes himself to be entirely contented appears to be so. W. B. seems to be also the I suppose he has some longing to see his family in England both as kind to Pame & myself as people could be & perhaps me so much to spend the summer with them that pressed me so much to spend the summer with them that were no saying so. I do not mean however to desert my post please the girls as you may suppose though I should spend very t ime very pleasantly & quietly with them. Mr. Key & too were very attentive to me. He says that to Mrs. Dunlop expressed the greatest sympathy with us. Mr. Key seems to have forgotten all his grudges with the boys, he is a good hearted man, I believe, he the old legislator one piece of Mr. Key’s attention to me was near having a very bad term. In retrospect, the next one day to ask if I should not like to ride out to offer me her pony which was very gentle, Cary Newsome happened to have called on me that morning & promising to be my escort I gladly