Galveston. Sept. 19th. 1871.

Dear Minnie.

This is not a letter, but only to tell you not to buy a Shakespeare, for I am going to send you mine, and my hair, just as soon as I have any money to pay the expressage. I intended to send them to-morrow, but have lent all my cash to Miss. Nichols, and though I might borrow from Mr. Stevenson, I do not wish to. I think I can send them by the first of next week. I want to send them as soon as possible, for I know you will need the book, and then my hair will have to be made into a switch after you get it, before you can use it. Take the hair, in welcome, and keep it as long as you wish. I shall not want

it, and think I shall keep my hair short, for the present.

The first patterns you sent have never come. If you have the basque-pattern with you, and it will not be too much trouble for you to send it again, I should like it very much. Never mind about the other patterns. I dont remember now what they were to be.

Cant you manage to write me, once a week, as you have done during vacation? Write short letters if need be, and send them home first if you choose, arrange it in any way you please, if only I can get my letter as usual. It did not come, Sunday, and I hardly knew whether to think you had not written, or that it had been delayed on the way, but Mr. Stevenson brought it up yesterday when he came home, so I suppose it must have been overlooked the day before.

Lots of love for my Minnie from Anna.