Galveston. Texas.
April 20th. 1872

Dear Father and Mother.

I thought I was going to have a nice quiet time to write you, after dinner, as the rest went away, and I was here alone, but had just got ready to commence writing when Miss. Ludlow, Major Stevenson's aunt called, and now it is almost dark.

I enclose P.O. Order for $30. Father, the first installment toward what I owe you. I had hoped to be able to send you the $50. and more too, before this time, but I expect they are pressed for money at the Office in Chicago, as they have sent me none yet, though I sent them

my accounts last month.

The picture and seeds are yours, Mother. Put the picture with mine that I sent you last Summer, so that you can have your oldest son and daughter together.

These are seeds of the Fountain-plant. Mrs. Nichols and Mrs. Lane sent for a package, and Mrs. Nichols wanted me to send these three to you to plant, so that we could see what the flowers would be.

Please write and tell me, Father, if the order reaches you, and if you get the money on it all right.

More love than I can send for both of you from your

Daughter Anna.