the man time is fact is a Im all lied out, Ruppose That Sound natural ) but Ire had duch a good hime for the past nick That I can well of find to be Sind. Elija and Jamily have mode a seleghtful dist to us. I hope they how enjoyed it as The mais roas to sheet. Just Think at home only a neck. but me nece Thankful Ju That, Elica deemed happy, and the basic Nellie Oh He is a sneet lette peronhe new lenging a but are day. Elija new looked putter, alee and hate densing not marread a nuch ago to over, in the mining & classed full, but make it will willing Henry hore grown considerable - I thought to have got some patterns That new overy hory and of doors of them. They new dert of a poplin. most of the time . and I fee as Ellem Inellett out them and with I had searcely been them. I aunt ma help made them\_ I fo is as handsome as ever, the for One was trimmed in the waist with I tried to make me Thenk That I've black reliet a but an wich mide, with was getting fat. I mich I mae a heading of steel beads. I The sleener and it leems some That I am I do II. The brum one will was brimmed for king any thin. The share the Sleen there I'll and I have nother received at the ends of the nelsest was Jastened letter from you to might. Jees I'm The Shineders and Sleeves with steel a line disappointed in not string brokler. ( Seler Fray has just been in me June Nellie Bly, hot I son and laughed at my adaringe to me last mick. Thank you & and any flitting with Seren, can't get-Six gould lengular about their a chance. He has found to so home I I shall muld to Mass south me, but my time wither father One long, nice that her about them It a The Cal have been do kind as To gue hore been by to come for meface when aid for how for I that been Jo thou weke I think they are how how how men ances I which he deem's Rome hereo lo day. over my fiely. One how with & Ellen mixer is gotting ready to be Striper. The other blue, much I had married, to a Bu black of hestbrook

He is a relative of The Gueleya -Lummer - as he had a daughter wh her who had a ferei. He has already last mo nines, do Ellen nice he no Three. The looks seek non- Thope the nice golly after the manage var, the I may it came about, mrs Lucley lated to mis meier. Dant jou know of dome wider lady who I would make me black a good rige. me thire said. They Varent our Ellen do, It- orac som after said that Ellen had a bean\_ But Nece he is to homely, Oh! dear, Jan cant keep pitting him, Long may they were. The love has hod a present. of a watch case - The not Reen itbut Some of un family hare - He theike or many, as he does not here plenty of bruk to do here, Capt-Bill call quite flew, but got despute and took m. B. bride trice I believe, It, hell the Capt is not the man for me - for lister Oleria called bree me last fruck. Ju would, not here Ested upon her last fact a year ago. How the is Heehing & my mitty. I show bell in

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Dear cousin Nell,

As stupid as an owl in the noon time is your cousin Lu to night -- the fact is I'm all tired out. (suppose that sounds natural) but Ive had such a good time for the past week that I can well afford to be tired. Eliza and family have made a delightful visit to us. I hope they have enjoyed it as much as we have -- the only trouble the visit was too short. Just think -at home only a week -- but we were thankful for that. Eliza seemed very happy, and the babie Nellie --Oh He is a sweet little fellow -he went singing about all day. Eliza never looked prettier. Allie and

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Henry have grown considerable -they were very busy out of doors
most of the time. and I feel as
if I had scarcely seen them.
Jo is as handsome as ever. He
tried to make me think that I
was getting fat. I wish I was -but it seems to me that I am
looking very thin.

Your mother received a letter from you to night. felt a little disappointed in not getting one from Nellie Bly, but I got one last week. Thank you. Its quite singular about Miss R \_\_ I shall write to Russ ere long, will tell her about her --

So you have been to a ball what did you have on to look pretty.

Eliza had two new dresses -- which were very pretty. One brown with

stripes, the other blue, wish I had

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Kate Denison was married a week ago today in the morning & started for N.J. they went from Portland to New York by water. Col says they will certainly

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be sea sick. Long may they [illegible].

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I hope you and Harry will come on in two years. but I am very -- much afraid that you will have some excuse for staying at Carson --

Long may you [illegible],

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thought to have got some patterns of them. They were sort of a poplin --Ellen Millett cut them and with Aunt M s help made them --One was trimmed in the waist with black velvet about an inch wide, with a heading of steel beads. So [pen sketch of bodice] the sleeves so [pen sketch of sleeve]. the brown one [pen sketch of bodice] was trimmed thus [pen sketch of bodice]-- the sleeve thus [pen sketch of sleeve] and the ends of the velvet was fastened on the shoulders and sleeves with steel buckles. (Peter Gray has just been in and laughed at my drawings -- No not any flirting with Peter, cant' get a chance -- He has offered to go home with me, but every time either father or the Col have been so kind as to come for me --

Father is very unwell & has been for three weeks -- I think he seems some better to day. Ellen Mixer is getting ready to be married, to a Mr Clark of Westbrook

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He is a relative of the Gueleys -and was up here some time this summer -- as he had a daughter up here who had a fever. He has already lost two wives, so Ellen will be no three. She looks sick now. -- I hope she will rally after the marriage vow. The way it came about, Mrs Gueley said to Mrs Mixer. Don't you know of some widow lady who would make Mr Clark a good wife. Mrs Mixer said, why wont our Ellen do. It was soon after said that Ellen had a beau -- But Nell he is so homely. Oh! dear, you cant' help pitying him. Long may they [wave??].

The Col has had a present.

of a watch case -- I've not seen it
but some of our family have. He
expects to go to the Elm House to board
if mother Bates goes away. Mr B\_
thinks she may go, as he does not
have plenty of work to do here. Capt
Bill calls quite often, but got desperate
and took Mr. B. to ride twice I believe.
No Nell the Capt is not the man for
me -- Jos sister Olivia called to see
me last week. You would not have
known her. She looked so different when we
called upon her last fall a year ago. Now
she is fleshy & very pretty. I quite fell in

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Otis N. Jones wrote me last week & invited me to make them a good long visit this winter... Eliza has a splendid breakfast cape -made something like that little one of yours only its more than as large again, with deep shades of scarlet, the center is [illegible]. Eliza Grey is going to Chicago, Miss Clark is with her & stays there until she goes. Eliza sends her love to you, My head aches and

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I must say good night, with much love to both.

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I am still Lu Le PM --