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Monday Morning

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There were a great many out. Aunt  
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- by she has been very sick. Since  
you were up, will dear Aunt this  
is the day on which old Abe Smith  
is to take his "seat," and I reckon

the "Presidential chair," was never  
before more freely vacated, than  
by "Old Buck" - well. I wish I could  
go farther South; cousin Edwin has  
returned home from Baltimore,  
with his "Sheep-Skin," I suppose,  
Grandma & the rest of the family  
are well, what has become of May?  
I suppose she has forgotten me,  
I suppose she and Lou, are kept  
busily engaged entertaining the B's.  
~~that~~ - ~~they~~ have no time for thinking  
of absent friends, give my love to all  
and tell cousin Fannie I shall look for  
~~that~~ - promised visit this Spring, when  
did you hear from the two Betties & cousin  
Willie? give my love to them the next time  
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self your fond & loving niece  
Fannie

**Letter to Harriet C. Broun from Niece [Unknown],  
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Your fond & loving niece.

Annie

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