

Jacksonville, May 17th

My dear Husband

Yours came

to hand in due time. I was
glad to hear you were well, and
enjoying high living; and also that
Mrs Hayden was in such fine health
I think shall have to go to Talladega
or make a move of some kind
for my health - really, I have not
been well an hour since you left,

nor have I felt like myself for weeks.
If I had time I would go through

a course of medicine, I certainly
need something.

Well now my darling

I have two favors to ask of
you - first a nice note of thanks
to Mr. Mitchell of Rome who has
labored very faithfully in getting

up a Concert for the benefit of the Presbyterian Church. They have made me president of the thing. I have not troubled myself at all about it; only met and appointed Committees, who do all the work while I attend to my school and cooking. The selections of Music and Tableaux are very nice. Nothing to which the most fastidious could take exceptions - Concert next tuesday night. Mr Mitchell leaves the same night in stage. His efforts are very praise-worthy and I wish him to know they are appreciated. Please fix me up a real nice note in the name of the Presbyterian ladies - Couldn't you write it so I would not have to copy. I am so nervous of late I can scarcely write intelligibly. If you come home

saturday we can fix it up together
but if you should not you must
send it up in time. In the next
place, I want twelve large jet and
silk buttons to trim a cloak
with. they will cost you two
or three dollars. Mr. Rowan
has six very pretty ones but
I want twelve. he sold his
at \$1,50 cts per dozen. The jet
and silk brand mixed is prettier
than all jet. You might
bring up a dozen of several
kinds and let me select if the
merchants would agree -
I have purchased my silk

and find I can make a
prettier cloak than Mr Rowan
has for much less money -
I am still cooking. no news
from our expected servant.
Hope to see you soon
Your affectionate wife
Mary