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PERSONAL LETTER from Christine Declouet in St. Martinville, to
her father, Alexander Declouet in Montgomery, Alabama.
St. Martinville, February 21, 1861

My dear Papa,

I have received this morning your letter of February 13 and I hasten to answer you. Miss Laurent has no fever any longer. She is better but she is still very weak. She tells you that she often thinks of you and would like to see you. When one went to fetch Mr. Sabatie yesterday morning, in returning, Tos coming down the swinging door escaped and he broke Quaité's (Alexander, your son) bucket.

Today, we are expecting the Renne family coming to stay home. Their sister is supposed to come to spend a few days with them. Tonton (Josephine Declouet de l'Homme) was here the other day. She told us she would come as soon as possible. Gabi (Gabrielle, your daughter) lost another tooth and she is uglier than before. There is a merchant of plaster who came here. We bought two small jars from him. It is time for your return because all of us desire to see you and then so you can fix the hall's clock which does not run. Mrs. Thon received your letter today.

Goodbye, my dear Papa. Your little daughter who loves you,

Christine Declouet