

Auckland
13th Sept 1880

My dear Lu

I have just written
a short note to Emma
but I could not let it
go without just sending
you old Lu a line.
especially after the news
from which I hope she
has by this time fully
recovered and quite
herself again - Susie
will doubtless tell you

that Allen has taken a
a favourable turn and
is much better. Fannie
learn a day or two since
and found her getting
so finely, soon I think
a good deal and looking
very well. We thought
we were going to have
it (Scarlet fever) next door
to us as the symptoms
were very like, but Mrs
October was called in
and prescribed, and
the patient soon got better
- Susan Anna and Lucia
are sitting down here

darning stockings very
industriously, they are
invited to a party at
Capt Daldys, opposite to
Celebouts the birth of the
daughter of the house, a
young lady of about 32
Susan just suggests that
it would probably be a
Childrens party but Loua
thinks otherwise as the
deacons of the church -
are generally among the
invited guests, and I
may just tell you quietly
that there has been no
little stir about "what

shall we mean" but I
think it is fully settled,
the only difficulty left is
"shall we take our music",
which will I think be
~~settled in the negative~~

for fear of its being thought
we are trying to come out.

Maria is just requesting
that Louisa will not
make her laugh there
and they have decided
~~to leave her laughing~~
till they come home.

This is Susan's second
party is she not getting
gay - all much love
Say I'm affectionate
F. Fetter