

Clon Hill  
Answered July 15<sup>th</sup>  
1866.

My dear Johnny -

Thy letters to Aunt Ann  
and I came this morn-  
ing. They were delighted  
with them & I was so  
much pleased that I  
thought I would write  
I tell thee that my  
turn must come next.  
I am glad thou is enjoy-  
ing thy visit to England  
but I wish I had you  
all here especially just  
now - you with the ducks  
& chickens one parrot &  
Cousin Clon Hill is quite  
an entertaining place.  
There is a little stream  
here too called Beans  
Run where the boys bathe

and there is a report raised  
that Jimmy can swim -  
I don't believe it but so they  
say - The funniest animal  
we have about here tho' is a  
little Turkey - When we  
caught the other morning we  
found Jimmy's Turkey had  
a little son - it was so small  
with such long ears & ran  
about so briskly that it  
afforded us much amuse-  
ment - until this day 2 weeks  
when the mother Turkey  
undertook to behave bad-  
ly, she had been so gentle  
& I had fed her with  
bread so often that I  
did not think she would  
think I could hurt her  
little one - so it was stand-  
ing beside her when I  
went out with a plate of



of bread she took some but  
a piece slipped on the  
ground - & she seized my  
arm with such a grip  
that if my eyes had not  
been thick & caused her  
teeth to slip so that my  
arm pined when she let go -  
I should have had it broken  
but fortunately it was  
my stiff black & blue -  
& today is nearly well -  
so what is to be done after  
such ungrateful behavior -  
but just let the criminal alone  
Please tell Mother I enclose  
a scrap of paper for her part  
of an old letter which I  
thought she & papa might  
want to look at - Give my love  
to Grace, Fanny, Darling, little  
Nannie & baby - & write soon  
to thy affec. Aunt Jerry -

Dear Jimmy, wd; looking over  
some old letters of Mrs Deane  
across some of Mr B's about the  
Murphy or rather Brooklyn  
house just as the house was  
sold I was thinking how to come  
of it I destroyed the letters but  
catching some familiar names  
two thirds out of my mind I  
found I had them thinking  
that Mr B. would like to see  
the early memoranda of their  
young family - I send in ex-  
tract to day & will send the  
rest as way may open - I  
suppose thus as best I can -  
would you like them etc?