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Phila. 1413 Locust St.
March 10th, 1910

My dear Miss Turlow,

We are delighted with your account of our grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Josephine Hula. It is a discriminating sketch and such as my dear grandmother herself would like, were she here. She would admire at your phrase “The affair of the apple” and would then set vigorously
to make to convince you of the
entire literacies of the affair.
The picture is lovely, the
prettiest and sweetest I have
seen. Thank you for waiting
for it and getting it in so
attractively. I set for an entire
hour at the photographers, waiting
for it to come from the finishing
room. I have sent copies
of the Magazine to Mrs. Kelle's
relatives and friends.
There is one thing, dear Miss Taylor, that we as a family would be grateful to have changed when these delightful articles of yours come out in book form, as we earnestly hope they will. The pamphlet I showed you, in which Mary Lamb first appeared, was not a "Keepsake" or "Annual," but was Mrs. Hale's contribution to Public School education in Boston. Dr. Lowell's poem was anxious to intro-


local music into the public schools of Boston, and complained to Mrs. Hale that he had no songs for children suitable to set to tunes. He begged my grandmother to write some for this purpose, and the little yellow-covered book of "Poems for Our Children," every one composed by herself, was the result. As others have laid claim to "My Father a Little Lamb," and as the public is almost every year imposed upon by the sale of triv-
from the original Mary's Lamb " (see New York paper of April 23rd, 1909, Marvin-Clanton sale) this correction would be deeply appreciated by Mr. Hale's family. With kindest regards from us all.

Yours most sincerely
Mary Stockton Huyler

Pray do not return the enclosed note.