is now, & has gone to Florida, which I did not know till he had gone — as they are not be confined, of yourself in all respects — I just feel to you, as if you were my own child; I have all the little as much as, more than many cares & anxieties, for you that any Mother could have, for a most, darling child — & I trust in God, to grant & direct you — I flatter myself you have started in the race of life — with your character formed — & with young I think you possess, firmness & stability, sufficient to enable you to resist temptation in whatever garb it may present itself — be strictly conscientious & if your monied concerns, don't get in debt, stand some, for with it comes, many cares, & trials — I sincerely hope you are comfortably fixed & to your liking — here I must give you a little, what is going on in Talbot — we are to have a Hop here, during May Court, & I am with it, you come to be here — the Skinners were here, yesterday, Sally looks & behaves pretty, & engaged, a fair article, & little — me, to write, give him, love & tell you she had a present for you I suppose, I must not tell you, what it is, but you would laugh to see it & I expect make an important speech — she is fullen of the fair, & sorry she wants to see you dreadfully, I write tell you for your comfort, she has no beaux just now — Micah Tilghman, looks, quite interesting — much to the gratification of the old Commodore — Anne Tilghman of Grove, is to be married to Kennedy Owen, they say this summer — it is said that Jim Martin, is courting Eliza Goldsborough — it is thought she will have him, if so, poor Jim Goldsborough will go mad — Frank Edmondson, is the greatest beau in the County, he is very particular in his attentions to Ellen Thomas

N. Thomas went to Baltimore this morning, & left Marianna go to visit Sydney Winder's family who are now living in the City, the child was almost crazy with transport & delight — poor Capt. Winder, has gone to his long home, from whence no traveller returns — his family are in Annapolis at present —

I must tell you, old Mary Stump, has striking prospects for an heir — he is perfectly delighted, he & his wife spent a night here, last week the old fellow, told me he should patronize our fair, that he should want useful articles — so dear don't turn this the moment you read it — I don't let any one know, that, I found write you such stuff — try & come to the fair, there is much pleasure anticipated by belles & beaux the Dr. is very devoted just now to his little pony that Da gave him — thinks him great — he desires, much love to you, & unites with me, in the warmest wishes for your health happiness &c &c — & believe me dearest,

I long your Sincere Sister & friend Ann Thomas

Ellen sends her love to you —

write soon —