

1871

Jan - Dec

Personal - Family

San Francisco Jan 4th 1871

My Dear Father and Mother

I wish you a happy New Year,
hoping that you are all well and enjoying your selves, We here
are all well, I went to Mrs McKees as Papa wished she had a big
tree covered ^{with} things but they did not give me anything and
made me eat in the kitchen with the little Irish servant
-girl Mrs McKees and Poppe's children ate at the table
with the company. How is that for high?

We went to two Festivals with Auntie and to a Christmas
tree and we had a pleasant time and good Legg Nogg!

I had a present from Auntie and one from Grandma
I am enjoying myself. Did you and the children get
many presents? I wish gentlemen made Grandma
a present of two handsome cases and we got fourteen
presents between us,

I have just received Mr Battails handsome present
and I am going to write to him to thank him!

Please answer this letter Dear Mama and let me know
how you all are, many kisses to you all

Your affectionate daughter

Annie Thaley

San Francisco Jan 15th 1881

My Dear Father and Mother

I have received your letter
We were very sorry to hear that you have been sick. I hope you
are all well now. You wish me to tell you the presents
I received. A doll, a purse, a ring, a doll's hat made
of black velvet, all from Grandma and Aunt. I am
very sorry Mr. Penhater has been ill and how he
is better. We went to the Theatre to see Aboute Christie
it was beautiful. And I went to Willie Peterson's
birthday party and had a jolly good time.

Mr. Call came to see me and invited me all to
his ranch the first fine Sunday as it has been rain-
ing here. Aunty and I called on Mrs. Birrell and
spent the afternoon with her children. Mr. Betts
has not written as he said he would. I hope he
is well. Remember me to him. How are all my
San Diego friends? How are the children and do they
miss me much? Grandma does not feel very well
How is Mr. Gurdol and how did he like his present?
Having nothing more to tell you I am Mother and
sending you all my love and many kisses.

From your affectionate daughter

Annie Whaley, Nellie

Auntie and I called on Miss Ella and she wished
me to tell you that she wishes you to write to
her and that she has lots of things to tell you.
Write soon. Love Mother and tell the children
to write to me. A. M.

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San Francisco Jan 4th 1871

My Dear Father and Mother

I wish you a happy New Year,
hoping that you are all well and enjoying your selves, We are
all well, I went to Mrs Mailes as Papa wished she had a big
tree covered ^{with} things but they did not give me anything and
made me eat in the kitchen with the little Irish servant
-girl Mrs Mailes and Poppie's children ate at the table
with the company. How is that for high?

We went to two Festivals with Aunty and to a Christmas
tree and we had a pleasant time until good Legg Nog!
I had a present from Aunty and one from Grandma
I am enjoying myself. Did you and the children get
many presents? A french gentleman made Grandma
a present of two handsome vases and we got fourteen
presents between us,

I have just received Mr Battaile's handsome present
and I am going to write to him to thank him!

Please answer this letter Dear Mama and let me know
how you all are. Many kisses to you all

Your affectionate Daughter

Annie Phaley

San Francisco Jan 25th 1871

My Dear Father and Mother

I have received your letter

We were very sorry to hear that you have been sick. I hope you are all well now. You wish me to tell you the presents I received. A doll, a purse, a mug, a doll's hat made of black velvet, all from Grandma and Aunt. I am very sorry Mr Pendleton has been ill and hope he is better. We went to the Theatre to see about Christo. it was beautiful, and I went to Nellie Peterson's birthday party and had a jolly good time.

Mr Call came to see me and invited me all to his ranch the first five Sundays it has been raining here. Aunt and I called on Mrs Pittsall and spent the afternoon with her children. Mr Pittaile has not written as he said he would, I hope he is well. remember me to him. You are all my San Diego friends? How are the children and do they miss me much? Grandma does not feel very well. How is Mr Gudd and how did he like his present? Having nothing more to tell you Dear Mother and

reminding you all my love and many kisses

from your affectionate daughter

Annie Whaley. Valtti

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me to tell you that she wishes you to write to
her and that she has lots of things to tell you.
Write soon Dear Mother and tell the children
to write to me. A. W.

Feb

1871

San Diego, Cal, Feb 19, 1871

My Dear Sister I hope you are well, and
I want you to come down the next Steamer
and I send many kisses to you and Aunt
and grandma and Miss Ella to and that I have
some new shoes to you and that I have a little doll
if I will move its hands and head and feet to
I am not a bad girl in school Miss Laggart
and that Mr Battell has a buggy to ride down
in it to

With love
I have enough to give

Ellen
Battell

MARCH

1871

Dear Garrison,

Oct 28th 1871.

My dear friend,

I received your kind
fare well note with much pleasure
and the opportunity to answer it until
the present moment.

I am glad to hear that you
are still coming to our meetings.

You were quite correct in
saying that our administration is
to the little extent you speak of - but
you would be well to be placed in every
such a situation as to be able to
do so as well as our family
to the benefit of some.

I remain Dear Sir, in sympathy
to our cause. I am, Sir, your
true friend, and would be glad to be
your friend. As was the Committee,

reference - I am sorry to get disconnected. The corrected will I must have given

one of the city, thinking the reason of your - the last opportunity - I think

you - Mr. Little Thomas' kind - was that I had some other plan - I was to have

made your other intention - as the advice was at the other side - I was to have

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covered the whole with
a cloth over the road -
traverse with four feet gauge,
and would have been seen.
And between each beam. Thus as the
beam has one side point before and
behind, by turning the beam over
into position and back at once - it
will be the reverse of a bridge.
Under the little Tenthredinidae
was the same insect - but being
so close - that together with a trace
some other and of course better
known species - which also were
found - and some Tenthredinidae,
I made a variety of various
a species of mine, and never met
to make it more like. Thordal's
orange hair - I would like to get
the name of the insect, but the
C. of "Hull" had I seen a little
time I should have been sure
I was, and to attend the

Walden's decision of the State
From the State of New York
He is said to be a very fine young man
In his opinion the commission is in
In the fall the rebellion broke out
In the summer of 1861 he was
In the winter of 1862 he was
In the spring of 1863 he was
In the summer of 1864 he was
In the fall of 1864 he was
In the winter of 1865 he was
In the spring of 1866 he was
In the summer of 1867 he was
In the fall of 1868 he was
In the winter of 1869 he was
In the spring of 1870 he was
In the summer of 1871 he was
In the fall of 1872 he was
In the winter of 1873 he was
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In the spring of 1890 he was
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In the fall of 1892 he was
In the winter of 1893 he was
In the spring of 1894 he was
In the summer of 1895 he was
In the fall of 1896 he was
In the winter of 1897 he was
In the spring of 1898 he was
In the summer of 1899 he was
In the fall of 1900 he was

It is one of the best, or better

The Phalanx ... the ...

Wm. ...

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San Francisco March 29th 1877

My Dear Papa and Mama

Grandma
has been very sick and could not
write We heard that the Railroad
Bill has past and that there is
great rejoicing in S, I.

Do you expect to come up in S, I
in the spring and will you bring
Violet and Lillie with you?

We hope that you are all well
and enjoying yourselves.

Have you had any rain and are
the wild flowers in bloom? do
Violet and Lillie and George
go over the hills and gather them
When you come up here please
to bring us some pretty wild

flowers, I hope you will come
some time brought me a pair
of shoes when we got the green
back which was only bought
in London,

As I was doing and I received
news of Grandmother and I
received an invitation to attend
Christie Day's wedding which is
to take place on the 30th of
March and will be a very grand
affair. He married a sister of
Thomas from the M. S. C.
Mrs. White called to see us
last week her children have
had the whooping cough
she had a girl called to see
Grandmother she wishes to be
remarried to you
I received the children's
letters and was very glad to
to hear from them and she

voluntarily were very pretty
Grandmother and I think
and I send my love and
many kisses,
Please Dear Mother
know any body coming, my
please to send my large
and I think I shall give
the day in the country
had a very good lunch and
had a very pleasant
she said a nice mother
she said who sends her love
to you I went with the family
next door to see the
proceedings it was very fine
and very large,
she writes it says they
I am going to see family
I am with my
I shall tell the children I intend
to write to them soon

J'ai très chaud car il fait bien
chaud ce soir, Adieu chère maman
je t'embrasse de tout mon cœur
Annie Whaley.

APRIL

1871

Full of the
death of Old Town
people moving
even houses
being moved.

Dear Grandma - Don't send your love to me as
I can't possibly - but at present I have nothing
to do but to be as well as I can. I'll write
both times you can be better. I'll write
love from your affectionate
Grandson

1871 Dec 28

Ap.

My dear daughter.

Many thanks
for your dear little letter. Am
glad you are well, but very
sorry to hear of poor Grandma's
being so sick, if things were
very differently from what they
are I should like to take care
of Grandma and try to get
her well. Give mother my
love and Amelia too and
tell them that next steamer
I will write to them both.
You must take good care
of Grandma and be kind
to her, and take my place

for all you can. Then you
want anything more, you
must write briefly to your
Clerk, you know he must
always give you everything
you want. See the Bail bond
Bill has passed but it is dull.
as than ever, being that has
moved away from Old town,
the Record, & the Court House
have been moved to New,
from since the Revolution's
death, in honor is created.
The Hotel has moved to N.Y.
also, there is several any
one left in Old town but
underlying, we must stay as
we have the other house to
go to. They say that the
N.Y. Board will be commenced
in July, then there will be
some thing to do, but as

get nothing is doing and every
body complains. If we only
had some property in New-
town to sell. Then we might
have some money. But we
have all our land around
old town, and everybody
now looks up this place
as dead for several years
yet. You people have some
us with to give some lot
at the Plaza, so as to induce
people to sell there & that
he may sell some lots around
New York is the only way
the Old town folks can do
now. Sell Grand ma not to
be discouraged, there as soon
as I can get hold of some
money she shall have it, that
is what I wish for now, and
I will be

and do something for her
this summer if things work
right. You must not stay
with Grandma if you
are in the way, tell me,
and let me know if you
want to come home. You
may stay if you want
to, but I do not like to
have you stay without going
them something. I will try
to do something. God knows
I have the will, but not the
way. I have been very sick
and better now but wanting
in strength very much. They
talk of breaking up the
the school here so few chil-
dren left and money giving
out. No more Sunday school
no children but mine to
attend. They are about build-
ing a Court house and jail

in New Town. They hold
court in Fortois Hall now.
Mrs Pendleton died of softening
of the brain. He is buried
in our Protestant graveyard.
Mrs French has moved to
New Town, so also Mr Basine.
Mrs Bush is going, the Frank-
lin house is closed, no boarders,
Johnny Hinton has moved his
stable too, and Mrs Joe Munn
and Ben Mamasse have
moved away too. The town
is entirely deserted, all the
Spanish and Indians are
coming back. Several houses
have been moved, Mrs May's
last. We can safely say that
the New Town people have
broken up Old Town. But wait
till the R: Road is begun then
perhaps we will fare better.

Early too stays a day, but come almost day we are the
in the morning and one in only habits folks left. But
the afternoon, fifty - sent each I think the town will come
very. But the two horses are up again. One of them is broken
going East in May. But Ben up; and Pap a has turned
Alston is staying with Mrs. He sits all day looking for
Halsabe. He is so dull and busy, or some one to come
here now, just like death business, and try to get
so still all the time. He and my property, but my
weaker is leaving off my
rather cold yet. I think
I shall feel better when in
George business. Poor Peter
I wonder how he is, I should
like to hear from him. It
me know when you all have
from him. Mr. Cleaveland
has some ready they have
taken him in the country.
This is Mrs. Galloway have
visited among lumbermen. Mrs.
Merchant has gone. So you to come down, and also at

the Boston House of Representatives, but to some
of the things are dulls
now than they have
had for a long time
any thing is said
they will get the
about as much as
my strength will admit
all parts well
you are much changed
to see Grandmother
in the way of
luck should take place
and she are good
they hand the little
up stairs
at the
of the
all
the
and
whole

San Francisco April 19th 1871

My Dear Mother

Why have you not answered the letters I wrote to you? we hope you ^{have} not been too sick to write. Grandmother intended to write to you but she has ^{been} very sick again and is not well enough to write. How soon do you intend ~~to~~ to come?

I have grown so much that my dresses are too small for me so cela va sans dire that I shall soon want a new set.

My hair has grown thick and quite long so that it will not need anymore cutting.

Next month stunty will have no more pupils they will all leave the city and grandpa is too sick to teach and papa told stunty she must let him know if we wanted anything to

Let him know.

I go out every day to play with the scholars after school and I enjoy myself very much.

Well I thank that I shall soon, beat him in French. I think it means of thank not to write to me if you can. Papa cannot. How are the children? I hope they are learning nicely at school and enjoy themselves. Do let me know all about them and your self and Papa.

It rained a great deal last Sunday. did it rain in S. D. I have quite a little garden.

Grandma intended to send you a bulb of a rare Lily when Papa went away but she forgot all about it. She is keeping it for you when you come down.

Does George still run every day home? I hope not and that he is a good boy and gives you no

trouble!

How is Mrs. Bartle? he promised to write to me but did not. Are you all forgetting me? I don't speak of you all every day.

I have ^{been} commenced working at the Mail-Record. Let me know what you think if you are all about. I am very anxious to know if you are all in good health and sturdy and that their time and I send you my love and many kisses to the children and your loving Daughter

Ann's Mother

P. S. We have not heard from Uncle since I wrote to you last.

May 15th
 3^{1/2} large 35-
 Pieces
 3 towels 3
 5 collars
 2 napkins
 45-socks
 15 Stockings

May 2nd 18/11
 3 flann shirts - 5-
 3 wht "
 27 large pieces
 4 check aprons
 1 pink "
 3 dresses child
 1 lin lat cloth
 2 sheets
 4 pillow cases
 10 Rdkpts -
 3 cloths -
 3 towels 3
 5 collars
 1 per cuffs -
 1 counterpane
 2 pers drawers
 6 " Stockings
 3 pers socks
 1 collar -

MAY

1871

San Francisco May 26/41.

Dear Anna

We are in receipt of your last dated May 11/41. in which is enclosed \$20. and for which we are very thankful. We were very sorry to hear that you had been sick, and it worries us very much. I have been very sick myself - rush of the blood to the head. I fainted several times. poor Amelia thought I was dead. I have still that dizzy feeling. I had to give up going out teaching, in fact, I am afraid to go out alone. I wish we could give up teaching for a month or so. we need rest & a change. but it is no use to think of it although your sister has only four scholars & I only two. Next month

they will all leave the country
that would be the time to
partiate but there is no rest
for the wicked, except in
the steamer. Oh! yes, there
will be a steamer, but this
is still!

Andia want to see Mrs. Oriskany.
She is very well, never felt better.

I was comfortably situated.
The total amount that Sophia's
husband has been on the point
of death is not yet out of
danger. (The feeling of the
things) The wishes to be
renewed.

Mrs. Oriskany went to see Peter
he took him a box of cigars.
Peter Peter recognized his
voice and asked to take
him away as he was not
by force as we are not
to take as he was to

wholes. He asked about the
if we still had in the
Anne's case, as he had
memory is very good and is
not at all potent but he
will have decisions. In fact
he is not much better.

I cannot write anymore
this all the children for
by and much love to you my
dear daughter, P. Oriskany.

My dear father and mother
You request me to take good
care of Grandma & do all I can
I have for all the steps I can and
I stay home with her when she
has to go out. Grandma and I
are very glad to have me with
them they are very kind to me.
and I should like to stay with
them until you come for me.

Frank sent me two News Paper
for which I thank him. but if
he intends to send them regularly
the Carrier says I must pay for
them, I have received Frank's letter
and happy to hear that ^{you} are all
well.

I went to see Mrs Birdwell as I
have a few things ^{to} send to the
children but she said that she
had not yet made up her mind
and that she would let us
know. She did not call.

I shall expect an answer to this
Dear Mother very soon. Now I must
close my letter by sending you all
many kisses and much love to
Papa and you.

Your loving daughter

Annie Whaley

I expect a letter from Mr Battell

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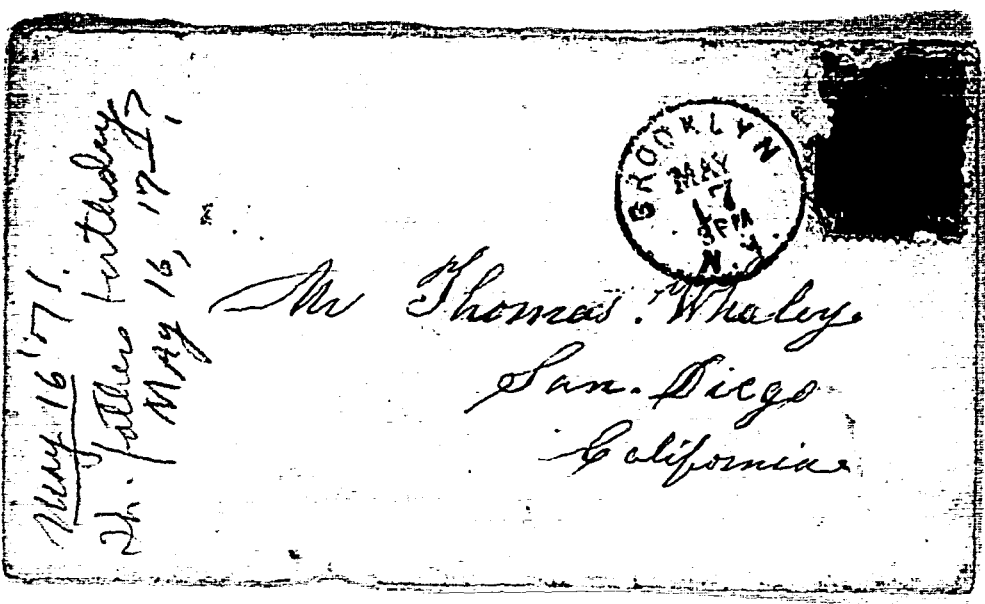
Brooklyn May 18th 1871

Your dear fathers birth day

Dear Son Thomas. Yours of April 29
 just recd. I am glad you begin to
 provide means for your success in
 your real Estate business but, I cant
 comprehend the different changes the
 real estate business I am pleased that
 terminus is favourable to your
 interest but I refuse to comply
 with your request as I am not able
 to do so you do not sympathize
 with me for my great expenses
 with Most St H. - I wish it was sold
 look at it a new story \$1,400 showing
 up for the next building \$500 now
 for a rather big bill I am sad what
 is to done the house is old I hope the
 bridge will row it up, it will
 come up of James St some say to City Hall
 St, but not fully decided on
 It begins in Brooklyn near the Post
 office if you recollect that any how
 if we can keep the old house up
 it no doubt in time will sell for
 more than now they will have to
 take my deed, as the person told

Do not send the children to Henry & have not been from his in over a year

me they wold if the Corporation was
safe to do so, or wold I have given up
before, only you & Henry needed the money
so much I tell you and treated as I was
such a kind Mother as all say, Tom
Swain says, his Mother is reversing the
interest of \$,80,000 if she wold only do
for hers as Aunt Dr did for her children
he wold be thankfull indeed do you
understand what I allude too O how my
heart ached, never shall I forget! No
more to shut out every one to Mary
but may God forgive all erring ones
I often think of the Conflict I endured
but the Lord sustained me Praise ye
his name, I hope all your family are well
my love to them, glad that Frank is steady
to his business I trust Marianne will listen
to her Aunt At, I, where is all your good friends
you have so often boasted off, I have not even a child
to call on, only Mr Stansell who has often helped me
he & his father also, therefore I must be carefull
no doubt John wold be glad to get money as
you desire but he says not a word he know if
I have any to spare I will let him know ^{enough} soon
do take good care of yourself as I am trying to
do may the Lord bless you and yours is the hope
of your Mother R Whaley



May 16 '71.
Th. father's birthday
May 16, 17th.

Mr Thomas Whaley
San Diego
California

BROOKLYN
MAY
17
N.Y.

June

1871

San Francisco June 27th 1871

My Dear Father and Mother
It is along
time, since we heard from you.
Why have the children not written
to me and Mr. Battaile also?
I hope you are all well and enjoy-
-ing yourselves. It is hard times
with us. To day is my Birth day
and I did not get anything but
expect some thing from you very
soon. I wish you were all here
in S. F., I go to play with the
scholars once or twice a week
and enjoy myself very much.
I went to a school exhibition with
county and ^{there} met Mrs. M^r Gilroy
she was very glad to see me.
We also went to camp meeting.

held in P. G. ~~the~~ the abolitionists' - speaker, which I do not like, had a fine time converting among ~~the~~ we have seen other Bristol once. On the fourth of July we will send I wrote to you she was very go see the procession, well, then.

I would like to see you all again. Is papa doing any business? My P. G. at least are the children and is he well and you also? about? How does the Pail's Band? We send much love to you get along. I suppose Frank is all and many kisses to the in the Printing Office, yet? children and hope to hear from Aunty brought me a new hat. How very soon and give my love trimmed with blue and I need to pay, ^{my} Grand and Aunty and their one or two nice dresses but I ^{love} hope to hear from you must wait until you send them, and hope to hear from you to me, Aunty ^{and} Mrs. Goddard soon, Grandma is not very well and also Singa-berry and they spend time is not very well seem to like P. G. better than but she has been, P. G. I have been well and Ben I heard a man say that P. G. in P. G. and like to be there. was shown away. I suspect is not. When do you expect to come and pray we a visit? true, every soon I

Have you had any rain since you wrote to me we have had ~~at~~ hope when you do come try showers and a slight frost. ~~bring~~ one of the children

I would like to see George and
~~so~~ would ~~stunt~~ and Grandma.
Do you find it very dull in ~~the~~
& hope it will be a fine place
one of these days and that you
will be able to leave it and
enjoy yourselves somewhere
else.

from your

affectionat daughter

Annie ~~Whaley~~

1865-
Whaley to
Encworth

your children will keep
if all good I may go to see Tom
Strong soon he has a grand place
where is Uxata. There John
wholay your own cousin
lives he is doing well
has a family writes to
Strong Howard White

Thomas did you return
Harris visit or has he been to
see you since do go to see
him John looks well likes his
barn that is well Wm H. comes
home soon. the 2 boys go
to school limited hope they will
improve come home for the 4

Dear Mother
Washington June 24
1871

Yours of June 12 rec'd happy
to hear of your and family health
hope to hear of Ben I thought he might
have moved away to some other place he
often spoke of Los Angeles all are friends
between us unless some one has said bad
and he is so silly as to listen to it against
his Mother he is as good a child as I have
never mistaken man to neglect one
after my kindness shown as you say
let him write any way I am sorry
I have written the one sent to you
think some one intercepts my letters
to him, but still he ought to write
I regret that letters are so dull but
you know I am quite ignorant of your
business affairs, I gave you an idea of
debts you left me in, and other things that
have accrued on the Motelt and assessme
repair of wall fire escape showing up
\$500 all of which you say nothing
I will not borrow any more

O if you should be needy too heartless
 but people say it will come home to her
 you know how fast you felt so you
 can guess at my feelings as a parent
 How can a child trust a parent that
 who have children Mary Rose Sign
 daughter is expected on from Missouri
 in a few days she is 28 or 30 a teacher
 in Missouri I shall be glad to see her
 I need one to go about with my name
 she is gone away she is smart learned
 to write in in one quarter & half writes
 nice letters ~~some of our letters~~ more of
 Frank's name like too bad not that
 I hope you will a little to him would be
 good I think he did not like to or he would have
 given him something It appears you are
 not to be fortunate even when you have
 funds handed to you but have patience
 your ~~water~~ ~~days~~ ~~back~~ you would never
 could be poor but you have had
 money why not to the good care of it
 remember me to all the children and
 tell them I wish could see them but they
 are too far away may God bless them all
 my best and sincere wishes for you and
 your mother & father

Call Long ago

June 25
1871



Mr Thomas. Whaley
San Diego
California

July
1871

~~San Diego~~

San Diego July 20th 1841

My Dear Sister I hope you are
well and I have a very
pretty heart for you in this
letter. It shines so nice that
I dont feel very much like
giving it to you and the next
letter I write to you is agonte
to have a crossin and it is agonte
to have a very nice crossin
an it is agonte shine very
nice an then if it dont
look very nice I will ma-
ke an nother one and
if this one dont suit you
then I can not help
it from your affect
ionate brother

George H. Pe
Whaley

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San Diego July 27th 1871.

My Dear Sister

I hope you are
Well. and I go to Misses Bushes
Scholl. and we are going to have an
Exhibition of the school. and I am in
the Fort Reader. and we are going to
go to the Punta. I have a doll with a
Waterfall. and George is a very bad
boy. and he went bathing and
I go to the Skating rink and
I belong to the club of the
Skating rink do you go to
the skating rink and Lily can
Skate beautifully and so can
I and this is all that
I can write

Ficket Whaley San Diego

July 20th 1878

By Mr. Forbes' Express, Amanda wrote
you a letter and sent you a package
of clothing containing \$20.00 gold
Coin. It was sent by Steamer Orizaba which
left here the 22nd inst. Express of-
fice of suit received. Bundle and letter
addressed to your care and mother
With love from your father
J. M. [Signature]

San Francisco July 27th 1871

My Dear Father and Mother

We have been expecting a letter from you for some time, it is a long time since you have written. I hope you have all been well and enjoying yourselves.

I am very much in want of clothes my dresses are up to my knees I ought to have a new black over skirt and a pair of new shoes for Sundays.

Do you expect to come down soon?

How does Papa get along?

Grandma is pretty well at present and would like to hear from you and so would Aunty and my self also, we think that you are not fond of writing letters.

Is San Diego improving in any

Day? or is it as dull as usual?
It is very cold in San Francisco.

Mya's father has moved on Taylor St. Sheerod in every way which made it
Elin's husband is better and they
have all gone to Santa, sorry for
two or three weeks, we did not see will have a procession which we hope
more obiters before she moved, she to see if nothing prevents, I think
Michael told plenty.

Sam very well and go to school
every day and am learning French him to write to me and tell us
and English very well when I
go home I will be able to speak
French a little I hope.

How are the children getting along hope to hear from you very soon
up or out of school?

Well George I have a bag of market
for him and a few things for
Mabel and Elsie.

I should like to hear from Mrs
Battelle, I have only heard from
him once since I left San Diego

and he promised to write to me
the month of July previous

very fine the children of 4 I turned
out and they looked very comical

look very funny.
On the sixth of Aug. the Stations
I have told you all the news.
Give my love to Frank and tell

what he is about, he could find
time to write often
We all send our love to you all

from your
affectionate daughter

Esther Whaley

Aug

1871

New Francisco Aug. 1st /49.

Dear Anna

We are in receipt of your last
dated July 31st & of the package
of funds containing twenty dollars
which came in very good time
to help us pay the rent as we
are having very hard times indeed
this summer.

I did not write immediately because
I was waiting for an answer
from Dr. Schieff to know
how my poor Peter was
the Dr. says he gets along pretty
well, he is looking pretty well
but still has insane delusions.

I am going to write to Peter
it may please him as an evidence
of my continued solicitude for
him.

This trouble & all the difficulties
to get along are getting to be

through the me I feel I cannot
stand it long.

Marie would be you will before
we receive your last.

We are very sorry to hear that you are
not in good health. I am sure a
trip to S. M. would do you a great
deal of good. We have been
expecting to see you all the time.

If you can't come it would be wonderful
if you could write for Marie's hair
to get back the movement you felt
before. She says if I can
help Marie I must go. I would
rather see myself than Marie
only, Mr. Reed knows what she
thinks of. I will be at night.
The X would not operate. Once
you know it is a pity to take her
any from her studies as she is
doing so well. Still if you must

her assistance you cannot

do without her. Say so, & you shall
be obeyed. I feel my part shall
bring her very much, she is very
affectionate to me. Mr. Reed
she would write her mind to see

the provisions that we get not go
to the station with her. I was
back because I was sick & she
wanted and leave me alone.

I cut out the blue dress & someone
working on it but it is very slow
work with me. I shall try &
make the other dress also.

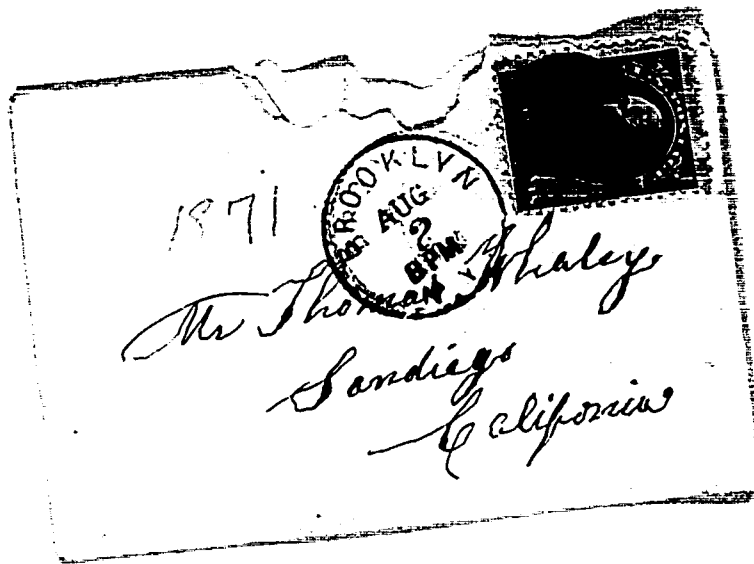
As for the white muslin & the
light, we must wait until we
can expect to get them made.
My head feels so bad that I
can do but very little work

now. I dare not trust myself
alone in the street. As to go-
ing out & back I cannot do it
any more. What have you

I cannot write anymore.
My love to you & God bless
you all. Your affectionate
mother.

V. E. Lamy.

P. H. Amelia & Nannie
wish to be remembered to
all. Nannie received the
children's letters & we were
much amused about George's
remark about the heart that
shines so nice, that he did not
like to send it. (C'est un
original.)



1871

BROOKLYN
AUG 2
9 AM

Mr Thomas Whaley

San Diego
California

Start of suit
against
Rachel
Whaley

Brooklyn Aug 2nd

1871

Dear Tom Thomas

we are all pretty well thank God
hope you enjoy the same blessing
John was here a few days ago

very tanned I hope he will succeed with his
farming I doubt it but he must judge

I hope you are getting along nicely
Mr H is in the County for a while will

ascertain which you desire him to do
& write when he returns to the City

he comes but seldom I did you know
or hear that J & H had commenced

a suit against me in the Surrogate
Court most pitiable I expect you

have been informed by the wise ones
but I fear not it will turn to their

disadvantage it was to be on July 5
from a poor unfortunate child of

asked if he had a lawyer he said No

and said who caused the complaint
 & I said who caused the complaint
 & she said I don't know I don't know
 what they want but I don't know
 what they want but I don't know

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They can do their best & worst I defy them
my turn next Pen will see if we live
I am pleased with well doing on my
part. I may not please you with my
detail I trust you are as well satisfied with
your conduct as I am with mine
be unto you all friends sympathize with
me to be thus treated at my age but the
Lord will support me through it all only
suppose for a moment my dear protection
who is gone could be aware of such
gratitude to my for bid it heaven
I sent all your castle windows
from my dear child I bid you
God bless my love to all your family
write soon - may have bless you all
Lizzy Sally Cornelia all send love
Your Affectionate Mother
Mrs. Whately
Do write to Henry - tell him I hope he
is alive and well he must write

wishing to allude to ^{it in} matters ^{extremely} ^{at}
~~for bank upon your disapproval by~~
 death, refrained from alluding to it.
 but I have never been understood wait-
 ing all considerations in a business
 point of view - I believe it better to have
 matters perfectly understood now than
~~later~~ ^{sanctioned} ^{by your} ^{disposition}
 prevent ~~any~~ ^{any} future wrangling and
 quarrelling - I will therefore speak
 with ~~maxim~~ frankness I speak my mind
 plainly. It was so evident in the
 view of father to leave you the entire
 control and management of his estate
 to you during your life time and
 to ~~leave~~ ^{after his children became of age} ^{to} ^{you} ^{as} ^{an} ^{estate} ^{and} ^{come}
 for your support and upon your
 death, the profits and ~~the~~ ^{the} ^{income}
 come ~~thru~~ ^{thru} ^{of} ^{more} ^{than} ^{recessa-}
 ry for your support to be di-
 vided equally amongst the
 four children

and I should like to see this intention to be fulfilled
 no cause for dissent in ^{might} ^{possibly}
 in order that this intention ^{might} ^{possibly} be fulfilled
 you ^{ought} ^{to} have been kept ^{informed}
 of it ^{ought} ^{to} have been kept
 in the ^{mind} ^{of} the ^{entire} ^{family}
 as ^{it} ^{was} ^{not} ^{clear} ^{that} ^{you} ^{had} ^{the} ^{entire} ^{man-}
 agement of it. ^{But} ^{this} ^{was} ^{not} ^{done} ^{and} ^{however}
 much we may now regret it I for one will
 not censure any mother for any thing she
 may have failed to do well knowing that the
 money she received was expended judiciously
 and though ^{it} ^{is} ^{not} ^{im-}
 possible that the exact amount on hand ^{may} ^{be}
 accounted for every dollar expended and
 the exact amount on hand and
 be this much or little I am well to accept of
 the statement and that too without qualification
 without doubt during the past twenty years
 since the marriage of Garnet, having had
 the entire income of the estate and living
 economically as you have done, you
 must have saved a considerable sum
 after defraying the exact necessary cur-
 rent expenses of the taxes, insurance
 repairs &c. the question naturally

suggests itself what have you done
 with this money? When I told you
 acknowledged having to me when I saw
 having money deposited in Savings
 Bank. I said when you saw
 thought I might be induced to remain at
 home, and you spoke of building a two
 story double house similar to the
 one nearly fronting Harris on
 the adjoining street I asked you
 when the money was to come
 from you replied that if you ^{decided} ~~wanted~~
 to build, you could find it. I told
 me to suppose that you must then
 have hoarded up a considerable sum.
 Then you have money invested in
 property. I know of only the eight
 lots in Brodway which you have
 my ~~and~~ ~~known~~ How much
 you have deposited in Bank, ^{invested in} ~~shares~~
 of stocks, or real estate or other
 property. It is impossible for me
 or any of your children to state

But we cannot but think that the amount
 is considerable in All of this, be it much
 or little, you claim as your individual
 use justly with the right to dispose of
 by will or otherwise as you think proper
 I am no lawyer and would not for a
 lawyer to know the correctness of this
 but I think whatever you do in this
 way in your name rightfully belongs to
 the estate as the will provides that
 the property should be allowed to accumu-
 late till a final division - always allow-
 ing however what was necessary for your
 support. Now if you take all the
 proceeds of the estate, how could you
 possibly have any accumulation?
 The amount necessary for your support
 is insufficient by the will for ~~the whole~~
 without an order from the Court to the contrary
 as an order, you could take the whole of
 it for your support if you ~~preferred~~
 in the style requiring it - but if ~~you~~
 you lived in did not require the whole
 amount - the surplus remaining to
 come a part and parcel of the estate
 and in the manner was the fund to accumu-
 late - The means of the estate
 provided for disposing of the Broadway
 property was not much - still more
~~than~~ you might have considered

6 The whole of it - Since you did not you
Chose rather to live economically than
you children would have preferred seeing
you live differently - to have had a
pleasure to go to ~~to know you~~ at your
invitation or they felt the incum-
brance - By your economical way of
living you were enabled to ~~also~~
purchase real estate and make
deposits in Savings Banks which
you claim as yours from the in-
come whereas we think it be-
longs rightfully to the Estate as
accumulation of its profits -
During the past three years and more
since disposing of the Broadway
property - your income has been
after discharging all expenses of the es-
tate - paid amount to repairs, main-
tenance, ~~and~~ nearly three thousand
dollars per annum - You have lived
little differently from former times
So long accustomed to live economically

it would be almost impossible for you
 to live otherwise - You must certainly
 have saved at least \$2000.00 per an-
 num which in three years would amount
 amount to six thousand dollars ~~for~~
~~which~~ it may be more or less than this
 sum it is impossible for me to make a
 correct statement, having no exact data to
 go by - so that in case I have over-
 stated amount, do not think I do so in-
 intentionally. The correctness of the sum will
 not affect the principle of the thing and I
 wish to establish to whom ^{ought} this \$2000
 per annum surplus in case - If you to do
 with what you please or to be set aside
 as an accumulation to be invested and in-
 creased thereby continuing to increase
 the principal and the income from year
 to year. I do not pretend to answer
 the question but rightly and justly I should
 think it should belong to the estate for
 the reason ~~that~~ will provide ~~the~~
~~that~~ the only provision made in the will for you
 is for your support - so long as you live -
 I do not deny you right to consume
 the whole income of the estate for your
 support though I believe upon reflection
 a provision being made to the Court that you
 act always lived upon a much smaller

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An order would be issued authorizing you
to a sum of small sum than the
whole income. I am not in
for procuring any such order of Court
not wishing to restrict you in the
amount of your annual expenses -
as there is no fear of your living very
extravagantly, though I would not have
you deprived of any comfort necessa-
ry to your support. As far as
your wants are concerned I am willing
to leave entirely to your supply to yourself -
but I do think that whatever surplus of
income of the estate there may be, after
furnishing you with everything you require
for your support should either go toward
the accumulation of the funds of the
estate and then at the end of five,
ten years or more when a division of
the estate takes place there will be some
thing for our children or not for our-
selves. Or a division of part of
the accumulated funds might be made

From time to time in the same manner we
 got \$5000 each three years ago - and
 by a division of the accumulation of
 the past three years - could be made at
 the present time ~~it~~ be the sum large or
 small, I think it would be of service to one
 or more of your children I can answer
 for myself that it would

The consideration of this matter does
 not confine itself entirely to the your past
 savings the money you have on deposit
 in Banks and invested in real estate
 but refers ~~now~~ ~~part~~ ~~ent~~ also to the future
 savings of ~~that~~ to be added from year to
 year as an accumulated ~~sum~~ of the
 Estate. We will suppose ^{God's grace} that life
 will be granted to you ten years as I
 trust it ~~will~~ ^{will} be and ~~even~~ longer and
 that for the first year commencing at our
 year ~~from~~ ^{from} present time the ~~net~~ net
 income ^{of the estate} after providing for your support and
 all attending expenses ~~of the estate~~ \$2,000.

for the 2nd year - with int on the 1st	4,140
3d	6,420
4th	8,880
5th	11,502
6th	14,307
7th	17,358
8th	20,520
9th	23,956
10th	27,633

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Thus you will perceive at the end of ten years the sum will amount to £2000. Sidelabe, and well worth looking after. If you do not intend to sell the estate ^{to} ~~do~~ not receive any benefit in this way towards accumulating funds, it would have been better not to have sold the Broadway property, as the estate yielded income enough ^{three years ago} ~~to~~ ^{to} provide for your support, - to have paid the taxes ~~is~~ upon the property, and permitted us to have held it. When in the course of a few years it would have sold for a great deal more than we got for it. The estate would then have derived some benefit from holding it. No ~~way~~ ^{way} is however and it was perhaps for the best as it gave us all a little money and has increased your income beyond the possibility of being cramped. Ought therefore the estate be deprived of the surplus beyond what is necessary for your support? I think not? I think further I have deemed stated impartially and clearly, as to whom ~~it~~ ^{the} ~~estate~~ ^{estate} ~~be~~ ^{be} ~~any~~ ^{any} ~~benefit~~ ^{benefit} of income ~~of~~ ^{of} the estate. And ^{of} ~~it~~ ^{the} ~~fact~~ ^{fact} that you were a dissenting church member ^{of} ~~my~~ ^{my} ~~proposition~~ ^{proposition}.

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I could now be an other portion of my subject which has ~~no~~ ^{no} bearing upon the whole and should your own coincide with mine in regard to what I have to

Suggest to you and you should adopt them
 as your own and act according to them
 much if not all ^{of them} ~~of them~~ ^{difficultly} ~~difficultly~~ I have fear
 for the future may be prevented at a final
 settlement of the estate. ~~Let everything~~
 remain as at present that which I shall
 in your name to remain just as it is
 and for the future you ^{shall} receive what
 ever may be necessary for your ^{from the income of the} ~~expenses~~
 and the balance of the income to go into
 an accumulated fund ~~or part of the~~
~~estate which~~ We shall know when
 this is and when you be informed ~~you~~
 semi-annually when and how ^{invested}
 ed by your agent. Mr. David Doug
 as we believe him to be a responsible and
 trustworthy man we shall have no fear as to
 getting of them the property ^{each time} ~~arrives~~
 of their portions of ^{the} ~~estate~~ ^{as they} ~~arrive~~
 to ^{the} ~~other~~ you shall furnish a ^{statement} ~~statement~~
 of ^{the} ~~same~~ ^{the} ~~manner~~ in which
 you have ^{invested} ~~invested~~ - whether ⁱⁿ ~~in~~
 in Bank - in Stocks - in Real Estate or
 in ^{whatever} ~~any~~ way ^{invested} ~~invested~~ and in such
 a legal shape that now but you ~~shall~~
 be entitled to the same if you may
 make a will leaving it to your children
~~and their heirs~~ I having everything
 equally alike - or in default of my

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What is your object in boarding up diverting funds which rightfully belong to the estate and boarding them up in your own name? The whole estate belongs to the children as well as my surplus ~~part~~ and the income thereof after providing for your support belongs to the children and must naturally go to them under the provision of the will and whether you stand in your name or the name of the estate. What then is your object? Is it to take from us to give to others - to bequeath to ~~charitable~~ ^{charitable} ~~which type cause endless litigation and stretch hard feeling.~~ ^{which type cause endless litigation and stretch hard feeling.} I have heard expressions from you about this to this effect - Who ought to be made and clear to you than your own facts and be of your children and your grand children - You think - no matter what you may think of them - ^{Some think} ~~as~~ ^{as} ~~an~~ ^{an} ~~no~~ ^{no} ~~work~~ ^{work} ~~than~~ ^{than} ~~other~~ ^{other} ~~people~~ ^{people} - ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~whole~~ ^{whole} ~~world~~ ^{world} ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~improving~~ ^{improving} ~~but~~ ^{but} ~~they~~ ^{they} ~~can~~ ^{can} ~~far~~ ^{far} ~~enough~~ ^{enough} ~~have~~ ^{have} ~~passed~~ ^{passed} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~life~~ ^{life} - not to require large your care and attention - you did feel and suffer pained by them when they were men and as ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~per~~ ^{per} ~~sons~~ ^{sons} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~had~~ ^{had} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~they~~ ^{they} ~~appreciate~~ ^{appreciate} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~thank~~ ^{thank} you for it - but ~~let~~ ^{let} ~~it~~ ^{it} ~~be~~ ^{be} ~~for~~ ^{for} ~~you~~ ^{you} ~~grand~~ ^{grand} ~~children~~ ^{children} ~~from~~ ^{from} many of whom are ~~very~~ ^{very} ~~young~~ ^{young} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~require~~ ^{require} ~~being~~ ^{being} ~~educated~~ ^{educated} - I would more particularly interested - we are not all well enough of to do ~~not~~ ^{not} ~~feel~~ ^{feel} ~~justly~~ ^{justly} ~~tyed~~ ^{tyed} ~~by~~ ^{by} ~~them~~ ^{them} - ^{the extravagance of the world requiring care and attention from} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~as~~ ^{as} ~~they~~ ^{they} ~~are~~ ^{are} ~~descendants~~ ^{descendants} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~your~~ ^{your} ~~own~~ ^{own} ~~flask~~ ^{flask} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~blood~~ ^{blood} - should you not feel more interested in their welfare than in the

welfare of people who are comparatively strangers to you
or the welfare of such less intelligent individuals who would
take your money without even thanking you for it.
Now instead of requesting in this way about your
death ^{would perhaps be} ~~letter~~ give to your children who would
be ^{unable} to provide the interest of your
grandchildren who will appreciate your good
nature and feeling towards them and ever keep
you in their memory in their hearts. ^{you could be as discriminating in this matter of a gift as}
^{over your memory in their hearts}
I hope that you will be satisfied with the past and your dying should
be ^{every one} ^{at the expense of} ^{of} ^{depriving you} ^{of} ^{many} ^{of} ^{your} ^{property}
travel in the future, which I doubtless has in
dual. I am & remain your sincere
friend & admirer. I am determined which you are
not living to whom belongs the fund and
property which for the past 20 years has been
accumulating in your hands. It would be dis-
tressing to whom shall belong any excess of
the income of the estate - perhaps to have as-
signed to you a certain annual income &
of such be the ~~best~~ ^{best} ^{cause} of your life.
I do not approve of it and shall in no
way join them in it. As I fully believe
you will act impartially by us with what
you have in your hands belonging to the
estate. This fear has been aroused in
some way. Possibly they think that you have
made a will or intend making one giving
the property to strangers - charitable institu-
tions or making an unequal distribu-

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tion of it amongst us children - and should
 as such be the care or your intention to do
 it. I fear a vast deal of trouble, quarrelling
 wrangling and dissatisfaction to say
 nothing of the endless litigation and
 expence which will ensue benefiting no-
 body, doing no good except the lawyers
 engaged in. I wish you dear mother to
 be a publicist. This all and if possible prevent
 dissensions arising over you very grave
 when I should wish every peace and harmony
 my I should propose the proceeding, I should do
 not think because it comes from a child to a
 parent that it is less worthy of your considera-
 tion than though made by some other person
 friend. I have given the matter much at-
 tention and make the proposition to allay all
 present hard feeling and to ensure ^{future} harmony in
 the future.

Let everything remain as at
 present. ~~That which should be~~ ^{in your name or the}
 name of your estate or by agent shall have control
 of the whole ~~and~~ ^{property} ~~and~~ ^{shall give bonds for the faithful}
~~performance of his duty and~~ ^{responsibility of the trust.}
 I would recommend Mr. Stained for this position, as
 he is an old friend in whom we all have con-
 fidence. You shall not be ~~again~~ ^{part} called upon
 to render an account of your administration
 but shall be required to furnish to the agent, but
 or agent a statement of all property in your own name

Proceeds of the ^{past} savings of the income of the estate,
the manner in which invested - whether in
Bank - in Stocks or in Real Estate ~~is~~
~~the agent shall have the and to have entire~~
~~and invest the same in the agent shall~~
~~have the same control over the same as if~~
~~own property belonging to the estate in~~
You shall receive from the agent without per-
mission ^{from} the agent such necessary
sum of money for your ~~support~~ comfortable
support as you may from time to time
and the balance of the income of the estate shall
require ~~you~~ you will advise I say without
restriction which will give you the right
to withdraw from year to year as you may
wish to draw the whole of your share to live in the
style requiring that - If this I should not object
were it your pleasure to do so - But it is not just-
able you would not ~~desire~~ desire to live in very
grand style - as it would probably not con-
duce to your comfort or prolong your life as
a less expensived way of living in
they will provide for you a living and
that means a good living and I
am ~~for~~ ~~and~~ would not begrudge you
anything - a carriage daily to ride

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on whenever you wish I think you ought to have
 either as you wish or sent from lawyer - let
 you live ever so plainly - but but but
 without the meaning of the will I do not think
 you would be entitled to draw over a thousand
 or fifteen hundred dollars per annum when you
 expended might expend only \$50.00 of it.
 Any excess above the amount required for
 your support I consider as right freely belong-
 ing to the estate and that you should not
 divert its funds in - The agent had fur-
 nish to the executor as simultaneous a statement
 showing the amounts received and expended by
 him in - This was agreed upon before leaving
 New York in three years have elapsed without Mr
 Harold sending me a statement though he send
 my address - There are ^{and recommend} the executor
 the executor I would ^{and recommend} to induce an
 amicable settlement of all difficulties between
 you and your children further than if you de-
 cided to make a will of which there ~~is~~
 would be no ^{real} necessity; you should bequeath every
 thing to your children and their heirs equally
 divided ~~and~~ amongst them - and even though
 you should bequeath a trifle to some one or more
 friends I suppose no objection would possibly be
 made ~~as~~ I believe in what is right and
 fair that the whole estate and the income

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not necessary for your support belongs to us
You are allowed to claim the whole income of
the estate, it would not take many years for
you to live before you would have more to be
quoth than the ^{value of the} estate ~~was~~ and as we
believe and hope you will live yet many years
it is against the possibility of such an accident
State of things, I present John & James with
to guard against the I think I have about
exhausted the subject I commenced to write
about you will find the letter a long and
weary ~~some~~ can to peruse but I started
in with the determination of explaining
myself fully that you ^{may} understand
exactly the ~~of~~ I stand in regard to my view
of the actions of John & Harriet and possibly
to suggest something to your mind which
may be of use in settling the difficulty and
if I succeed in doing so I shall consider
myself fully compensated for the time and
trouble taken.

It has not been my word
dear mother to wound in any way your feelings
and trust I have not done so by any language
then used. You appeared to me to have
sore I felt about the matter and I have told
you plainly and frankly which is better than
to say one thing and mean another.

John
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P. Q.
John
Dear
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This is now of the blame about me and
 if there was perhaps it would have been better
 for me - having seen a little of its effects pro-
 duced upon you by those who at times
 you are much more susceptible to the than
 I supposed. but if I must be dependent upon
 you for anything and have to resort to
 such means to obtain it. I fear I shall go with-
 out as it is something I do not understand
 I am by blunt and plain speaking. I have
 said thus much and with the fullest so-
 licitude of my warmest love and regards
 I remain your affectionate Son
 J. P. W.

P.S. You are full likely to send to
 John and I want all that I have writ-
 ten and I desire that you will do so
 as it will probably have some good effect
 upon them.

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Copy of Letter
to Rachel H. Hall
Aug 20th 1871.

San Francisco Aug 23rd 1876.

My Dear Father and Mother

As you have not answered Grandmas letter we have been expecting you every day we hope that you are not sick. Do you still want me to come down? I hope that Papa ~~that~~ ^{and} the children are all well.

Do the children go to school?

I always get my lessons perfect I get along nicely with my French.

We have been to the Fair and Aunt took me to the Circus and Joe took us to the Concert and ~~we~~ we went to hear Mrs Stenton's Lecture on Our Girls. She is a splendid old lady about sixty years old.

Mrs Birtsall sends her love to you she has moved on Howard St and

is keeping house. We have also
seen Mrs Tidball she sends her
love and she wants you to come
down here soon. A

Auntie will send Frank a small
New Paper edited by Thomas
Herr an old friend of his who
is now seventeen years old.

Grandma made me the blue dress
and cut out the calico and I
- need sew it.

We have had a very cool Summer
it is quite cold now.

Grandma and Auntie send their
love and hope you are in better
health and soon will be able to
pay us a visit.

I send my love and many kisses
to you and to Papa and the
children.

From your affectionate daughter

Annie Whaley

Sept

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San Diego Sept

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My dear Mother, I hope you are well, and you know that you promised to give me a good top, when you come back, and you know what kind of a top I want, and you and I were sitting on the sofa on Sunday afternoon, a sharp jaggard reed hums very loud, and whistles very loud, and a top string with it, and then B. Attain has brought a Watermelon, from the Lab. Punta, which weighed thirty pounds, and when we went to eat it was almost hollow, we had a piece of it, anyhow, and it made us quite full, that we didn't feel like eating any more, until the afternoon, and when we saw it was afternoon we didn't leave a piece of skin, and this is all I have to say about the Watermelons and tops, and Frank sends his love to all of yous and Lily, sends her love to all of yous, and George to, and when I write another letter, it will be a little better than this. From your affectionate son
San George Walker

San Diego California 1891

San Diego Sept 24, 1871.

Dear Mother:

I write to you for the first time since you have been away, and I scarcely know what to write about. We are having just about as dull times now as when you left.

I still stick to the "Warrior", and am getting along splendidly. Mr. Dushyhead is in the city, (in S. F.) and has left me in charge of the Job. Press. I want you to bring me when you come, a box of paints, and I will make it all straight with you when you get here.

We are all well home and hope you are in the same fix.

How are the times in San Francisco. are they as dull as they are in San

Deigo, I suppose you have taken
room at the Grand Hotel, and live
in first-class style.

Mr. Bataille sends his best res-
pects to you, and wishes to see you down
-here soon.

We have just got over the political
campaigns, in which the Republicans
have been victorious,

George and Willie, and myself
don't much love and hence to you
are Francis and Peter, and of those
to see them home very happy and
his love to all also.

For the last time on this voyage we
have had a very hot and foggy weather,
fog in the morning and night - so thick
that you could not see fifty feet from
you.

I want you two copies of the week-
ly "Decision," that you get them, I
wonder to send them with you on
home.

Mr. Bataille went down to the Punta
the other day, and went to see Mrs. Minny
and from there she brought some very
George Tomatoes, and two large
wheat melons, one of them weighing
forty-seven pounds and the other
thirty-four, the latter he gave to
Willie, and she was very much obliged,
we have just got through fasting it.

It was good with one exception that
it was rather, we eat what was left
in it, which was very good. But Tom
remains as usual, quite dull. This is
all that I have to write at present,
when I write again I will write more.

Write now, much love to all, and many
kisses. Love to all, and many

From your affectionate son,
Francis Hamilton Holmes,

Old San Diego San Diego } San Francisco }
September 24th 1871. } say a few
words to Aunt and Grandma. Read it.

Miss Thomas Whaley

No 123 Silver St. bet 3 and 4th

Gen. Francis

Cal.

Sau Diego, September 24th 1871.

Now to send you a letter. And please our from George.
and folks in Dallas commencing writing to Mamma
but had not time to finish.

Dear Mamma,
We are all well, getting along finely.
I hope you have enjoyed yourself and are im-
proving in health, and that you will return
safely when I send for you which will be
by the "Orizaba" Oct 11th unless the ocean
Steamers should recommence running a
gain as there is some talk, the regular
Steamers having advanced the price of pas-
sage and freight, which does not suit
the people down here. In case of any
change of your coming I will inform
you of it. Times are extremely dull. I
have collected only two dollars since you
left and but for the little which Frank
has given me I must have been with-
out funds, though living very economical-
ly. I trust to be able to get in some mon-
ey soon having the promise of it or you will
have to remain where you are longer than
the 11th of October which I suppose
you will not object to as it is your wish
to be away as long as possible. I have
nothing in particular to communicate
nothing of importance having transferred
since you left Frank's funds you

Private - How much money? - I'm seeing very much, Odey, how? Let her
know! -
The Speckly Union

The Speckly Union which will give you all
of the local news. I get along very well
with house keeping and take good care of the
children so you need not feel at all worried
about anything but enjoy yourself as
you can and recover from all nervous-
ness. If you have not seen Dr. Hamman
you had better do so and derive as much
benefit from his advice as possible during
your stay in San Francisco. I intend to
send him a deed of a lot for his services
which is all I can do at present which
will be of value to him at some future day
The reason I have not sent the deed is
because I have not had the money to pay for
recording it but as soon as I have will do
so. I hope to be able to send you \$50.
before you leave, out of which you will pay
premium on life policy \$20.00 and the balance
for yourself to pay passage for the fare
by the Orizaba will be \$18.00 for yourself
and as you are acquainted with the friends
probably you will not have to pay for Man-
nie or Violet or both if them as you may
decide about bringing in or both - and in the event
of the steamer changing I will pay it when the steam-
er arrives - so that you will have about \$12.00
to do with as you wish. With love to you and
ninnibances to funds - from your devoted husband
H. W. H. H. H.

San Diego September the 24: 1871

My Dear Mother, I hope you are well and I
send many kisses to you and Aunt and Annie
and grandmama and Aunty I was invited to a
party last Monday I went to the skating rink
with papa Saturday before last I want to see you
George goes to school and bears his lessons in a week
from Monday will be school I will try to learn
the alphabet - dear mother I am a good girl to George
is a good boy cleaned up the house good up stairs and
Raggs stairs all around the house We made a little
house the other day papa goes to new town sometime
papa stopped at Mrs. Booney house and left me
there the day I went to the skating rink I hope
you will bring Anne down I want to see her
very bad how is Miss Battelle says that he
sends her love to and that he is well Mrs. Battelle
went to the lowlands and got me two bushels
melons and a water melon that weighed
thirty pounds and a water melon that
weighed forty seven pounds down to Dan also
he and that it left a basket full of pines
and that we had some of it the one that
weighed thirty pounds we had all save one
are you all well and that Mrs. Battelle brings
some handsome tomatoes

Love your affectionate daughter
Lillie Wheeler

San Diego Sep 22

1871

My Dear Sister Annie I hope you are well and
send many kisses to you and Violet and Annam
and Charalme and county I was invited to
Nellie's party I went to the sheltering

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San Francisco Oct 1st
1871.

Dear Poppie.

Your of Sept 24th
is at hand, and I thank
you in as much as you for-
bid me from writing to
you at all. Am pleased
to hear that you are all
well and hope you will all
continue so till my return.
I do not want to stay
any longer than the 11th inst.
and shall be ready to leave
at that time. I have been
sick ever since I have been
here having been crippled
up with neuralgia in my
belly. Dr. Hammond has
been taking care of me, and
now I am taking Quinine
for it, and am feeling much
better, able to go out. Dr. H.

is also try to cure the Colic
that I have in my head.
The days I must get rid
of it, all its effects, the
whole system, and such in
condemnation. He says he
could I have arising from
it. It was a strange for the
more and each section and
something else every motion
ing, it is very painful with
I must do it. The Dr says
I may not feel well up
here but when I get home
I will feel the benefits of
all this. I hope so. The
Gymnase suggests in my
head so that I can
I could write I don't want
to stay any longer not a
cent in my pocket - not
more to take the way with
I gave America 1st 20,000
which was all right, and
one in a whole I know
left - can't, which seems

like taking the money all
back again. I wish I gave
them money up here as the
is sufficient to much in
the church, she has to speak
and succeed very well, she
has great taste for languages
she speaks nicely, looks fat,
they take very good care of
her, I shall like to leave
her very much as she would
be so much camp say for
me at home now. But it
is for her good. Peter was
in for a day or two, but
is very well now, she looks
just stay up here, she was
never seen sick, so has I but
could not know it at all.
Eight reasons to the Doctor
there he said to me. I paid
brother - passage \$7.50 and I
think the will amount in
on the other seems as the
Doubtful one they were

strictly prohibited from doing
otherwise. I hope you will
send me the money promptly
and give me time to get
a few necessary things such
as shoes, stockings and things
like that, they are so cheap
here. I want to leave as
soon as I can, so that you
may send the cash as soon
as you please. I have not
a cent in my pocket for
days, consequently do not go
any where. Mollie or Sophie
and Mrs. Machonichie called
upon me, Sophie and Mac
twice, but Miles avoids
me, and I have not seen
anything of him so that
I shall not trouble myself
about giving him the "natives
of San Diego" you sent him.
They are all in pieces any
how, having got broken in
the trunk. I staid with Sop-
hie a couple days. Mrs. Machon

which is very sick all the time
and cannot last long I should
think. He looks like a
corpse, poor man, they made
a place for him in the
office and pay him whether
he goes there or not, and
say they will continue to do
so as long as he lives. I asked
him about your getting in the
Office, he says no chance as
the office is so full they think
of turning some one away, per-
haps you could do better
with Miles by writing to him.
Have seen Mrs Brewster spend
the day with her, all well.
Called to see Ella, she is
looking very well and enquired
about you. I told her when
you came up again she
must treat you better than
she did last time as you
said she did not kiss
you, she said you did
not care to kiss her that

They the seasons of it, they has
our Advertiser about now, I
collected on my way, Mrs Bay
and her daughter into town
with her mother Mrs Symington.
They all are well and do
papers, I feel the cold up
near the mouth, and the
D's legs that after I get -
Kerue and sealed he thanks
I will feel better than I have
felt for some time. He says
I ought to have a lady and
than I would get over all my
trouble. Dear little Elsie how
I would like to see her, and
George and towards to. Set
I will be home down now. At
tell Elsie I received her let-
ter and mamma says her
very much and thanks me
of her all the time. Thanks
of course and I's and I
me and the same I will
and then this letter when
I come home I cannot

write to each of them now
as the genuine I have been
taking myself to in my head
that I would have to
I will so - day is Sunday
and I ought to have some
to church but could not
as we had feet so bad
I will remain at home, truly
and Amelia have gone in my
place. I have not seen Mr
Bleken, as I do not go out
much I have seen very few
people. I cannot thank all
the time, and cannot afford
to write to her, do stay at home
I would of the home. Mamma
at night send love to you
and do Mrs. Mother's so
All friends I give
me in love to you. I must
be in hope to hear from
you may I please do that
I can leave on the 11. I
I remain yours
Baltimore to Mrs Bostwick.

If not delivered within 10 days, to be returned to

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Thos Whaley Esq.
San Diego.
Calif.

Old Town

San Francisco

Oct 1st 1871.

My dear Son Frank B.

Many thanks
for your favor of Sept 24th.
Am glad to hear you are
all well and hope you
are enjoying yourself very
much. You think I am
at the "Grand Hotel" do
you. You are very much
mistaken, I am staying
with Grand ma and not
enjoying myself much out-
side of the house. I staid
with Sophie a few days,
but Mr Machonick is very
sick so that I do not
feel like staying with
them much. Mrs Miles
is very well. I have had
a few visitors at Grandma's

and have returned their calls
but otherwise I have not
gone any where, and as I
have not one cent in
my pocket, I stay home.
I am delighted to hear
you "sticks to the Union".
That is just as I want
you to do. I know you
Obabyhead is up here
but have not seen him.
He is probably only a
demon. I feel the cold
here very much and have
been quite sick with
neuralgia ever since now
as Dr. Hammond is taking
care of me. The legs he
thinks I will feel better
after I get home again.
I will get you Strainie
a nice box of Davis when
you Papa sends me some
money, as I have none
at all. Remember me to
all who inquire about me

I will not write again as
I shall stay for some
on the 11th of this month.
I heard the sea breeze
as I was so late at it
coming up and we were
in a gale two days, and
a double fog. Grand ma
and Aunt are quite and
thank you for the letter.
Nannie got very well and
got to see fat and had
grown quite tall, the boys
like to see you very much,
I think of leaving her here
some time longer as she
improves so fast. (Baby will
not stay). He said the
boys see Willie &
George. I hope dear Frank
you think of me often
and want to see me.
I cannot write more as
parents. All send love to
you. Yours, Lewis & Mother
W. C. Whaley

Old San Diego, Calif.,
October 8th 1871.

My Dear Wife,

I write to day to be prepared for the steamer "Orizaba" expected tomorrow. I shall, with great difficulty of raising it, be able to send you Fifty Dollars, as I proposed doing in my letter ~~of the 10th~~ last written.

Now I will send this money I will add in a postscript. You will please pay out of this amount, Mr James R. Carniss, agent of the Guardian Life Insurance Co. Twenty Dollars and four cents and get from him a quarterly note, becoming due Oct 15th. His office, I think, is on Battery Street, between California and Pine Streets, on the right hand side, going from California Street. Should you have any difficulty in finding the place, you will have recourse to the City Directory.

The balance of the money is for you to use to pay your passage, per Steamer "Orizaba," on her return trip here, advised to leave

Dear Misses, your letter, as I have written to
Q. W. Scott, is the best I have seen, & I wish to see
refer to the actual statement. The few you
yourself will be \$15.00, as that, you will
have only a bank \$11.00 or \$12.00, to do with
what you may wish. (I have that the same
used before; but, you understand it) I do not
prefer to see the bank unaltered and will not
by accept of the bill for the check. (I do not
better get on board as early as possible
to avoid the doubt and more engagement
upon leaving. As the banks, with other
you are acquainted, and I give you
now and look at. I would say nothing
to him, as that will be a bank holding over,
with the children with you, as, in case
any of the employees from that office hearing
his worded be consulted to determine you
for them, but if you can see them & send
at the house, or after the afternoon tea
the whole, you can see them, as I do,
You will probably be a day to arrange
with the banks as to how nothing

may be for one or two days. I do not
in the order of the changing, I will
will be in your mind. I do not know
the afternoon leave, or again from the office
good amount to be that there are no
I do not say, or that every body of people
with hotels - a bank of this kind of corner
to see, for that, to have the other
away, hearing by themselves. When have
may be of enough to know how to manage
the matter, if necessary. I will do at
the evening upon the evening here after -
May morning the 14th, and, I wish you
I will for me on board the steam
you to take you home. But don't expect
to long as to make the change which will
be then for passengers on a ship. I have
I will not probably be there in time, as
I will be that I should, than that another
except you, as there are so much things
about it before. I am determined that
I will be as much for anything I can do
I am probably present it. I will be

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all the instructions I have
concerning your returning home.
I suppose you will be perfectly willing
and ready to come, having been away
longer than you expected you would be,
when you left us. You only asked to
lay over on Steamers and you have
now laid over several - But if you
desired to remain longer, and I were
in my power to send you more
money, I should willingly gratify
you, but you know perfectly well
how we are situated and that
in allowing you to go at all and
remaining so much longer than
you expected, I have done fully more
than you could reasonably have expect-
ed. We are all well, and de-
sire to see you very much. Hope
to find you greatly improved in
health and free from all nervous-
ness. You had better perhaps get
some instructions from Dr. Hammond.

and prescriptions of the
I have put up the
treatment, if you have
recovered, or in case of a relapse.
I have executed a deed to Dr. G. G. G. G. G.
for a lot and left it to be executed and
when done will forward the same to him
to compensate him as fully as I can do
at present. Money I have now, as you
can explain to him, and therefore give
him land, which at some future day
I trust will be of value to him.
Lillie commenced going to school last
Monday. Mrs. Bush teaches. I have
taken good care of the children and
of the horse. You will find everything
about as you left it. We play crib
in the evenings. Lillie has very much
improved, can play the game alone, be-
ing able to discard and count her
game tolerably well. Mr. Battelle keeps
us supplied with vegetables from the
Punta and occasionally furnishes us
with game. I had had to kill the

back room. I like his meals at the
mess, going every Wednesday. He and
Hattie are ever more good friends, her
ing several times a week and slight top-
cu. I also know of the visit of the
P. Company, both paid the debt and
yesterday appears ever again, being the
same as last year. I am again alive
on, both was broken - health, to health
No long Howard on my side. Out
from his side the majority, and the of
few will remain here. There is no other
a mass of importance. The term of County
Judge, since of the 18th. Howard's absence
are all good. Hagar's has also com-
and returning the stage as it does not pay.
How long I shall remain, I cannot say.
for 1876, for their month. Day is not
commenced. I will again at Howard and my
self, on Wedg's side for 1876. The accident
of payment as long as possible. Howard
you can build, but too many hands for
Hagar and all his to be a great good

of I can possibly will
for a Christian's friends. My love to
you and all remain forever
from your loving and devoted husband
W. P. Hagar.
P. S. Having made a mistake, I will send
you \$10.00 as that you will have a little
more to do with as you please. My thanks
a nice day for him to change more the debt and
quality of the work than the day concerning them.
P. S. I ought to say a good day with you.
Confidential.
Debbie West, my dear little wife, you
will return with the little determination
of being me as far as you can, and for you
the feeling, which I forget as it is, had been
banking in your room. I long - having
kindred you like and all your heart
against me for good. You are ever true
wrong in believing what you do as a husband
and, if I could please, I would like to
abstract you from myself of the best assistance
you can have, and how that can be done

after refusing to listen to me, often re-
peated assurances, to which you give no
credence, I am entirely at a loss to know.
I told you just previous to leaving home,
that you had my full permission, and
that it was my earnest desire, that you
should question those parties whom you
suspect of intimacy with me - I would
discuss more with them when alone than you
had consented to in your presence. I hope
you will satisfy yourself about these
matters fully, before you return where
you have an opportunity and when
you come home do win the public, by
a bestowal of your love and confidence as
guilt, to acknowledge the errors you have
committed against me; then all will
go along pleasantly and you will
never more have cause to regret
Only do this dear Ned, and I promise
to act entirely to your satisfaction.
What say you? I beg of you to reply to
with many kisses - Yours &c. &c. &c.

San Diego - Oct 6 - 1871

Dear Miss

Your received - am sorry
to hear you complain of not being
well - You desire to return on the
11th - We will be glad to see you and
hope you will improve as the doctor
says you will - get all the need-
ful information from him as to
what you can do - if you
say he recommends your having
a bath - I don't suppose you like
the idea - certainly not - as
I think we have not a very ill
one we can do justice to, but if
the thing will be done for the sake
of your satisfaction of your health
we will not object to the accom-
plishment of it - about with me
when you are here - I shall
wish you to obtain from him more
definite information - if such can
be the case - I have enclosed the

Dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the proposed change in the rate of interest on the bonds of the State of New York. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to obtain the necessary information from the State Comptroller. I am sure that you will be able to obtain the necessary information from the State Comptroller. I am sure that you will be able to obtain the necessary information from the State Comptroller.

Received of Mr. J. H. ...

the sum of ...

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I have been thinking
 how to see
 you for some time
 but have not had
 time to do so
 until now
 I am
 ever your
 affectionate
 son
 John

present, you may remember
I regret you will have to pay
for tickets but if you can
avoid doing so I wish you
would at money is so very
scarce in the District and
is now in session commenced
to day with much love
hoping to see you soon and
in a fair way of recovering
and with many kisses
from your loving husband
I am Dear to you

I have seen Hite. He says better go to
offer to get ticket to Seungood road,
the day before the sailing or as soon as the
steamer arrives. He will probably
be there. I have sent you draft
for \$60.00 and due to Hummer
Oct 6 - 1891

Yours truly
J. H. Hite

F. W. BUSHYHEAD.

DOUGLAS GUNN.

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San Diego, Cal. October 6th 1871.

Dear Mother:

I have just received your letter of October 1st. I am very sorry to hear that you have not been well, am sorry to hear that Mrs. M. B. is not well, sorry to hear that you have no money, papa will send you some money ^{by} this steamer. Mr. Bushyhead has gone to Colaveras County. Am sorry to hear that you have neuralgia, and am glad that Dr. Hammond is taking care of you. I will meet you down ^{at} the wharf. Do not be afraid of the sea voyage, as you have only three days of it.

Glad to hear that Grandma and Aunty is well, and send much love. Glad to hear that Annie grows so fast and ^{is} getting fat. I would like to see her very much. The above head of this letter is some of my printing - do you like it.

We are all well at home, and send many kisses to you and hope the time you get home you will be well.

Excuse the writing as I wrote this in a hurry. Safe return to San Diego.
your affectionate son. J. H. Whaley.

Mr. C. Whaley

No. 1 Silver St. bet. 3^d & 4th Sts.

San Francisco
Cal.

Nov

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San Francisco Nov 4th 1871

My Dear Papa ^{and} Mama

We have been expecting a letter from you, and I hope you arrived safe, and had a pleasant trip. See the children all well. We heard that you had rain, we had a little. Violet forgot her reader and her two singing books and a pair of drawers two pairs of stockings, Mama I have made a book mark for you, will I send it in the next letter, or will I keep it for you? and I am going to make one for Papa. I heard that the schools have closed. We met Mrs. Crayton the other day and she invited me to come and spend the day with her. We went to see Mrs. Sidball and she sends her love to you. We went to see Mrs. Van Tramben twice but she was not at home. Mama when you send the bundle please to send my Geography I need it very much. Give my regards to Mr. Battelle and tell him to write to me, and give my regards to Mr. Carr.

and to Mr. Mudd and to Mrs. Mains county is
Gaterwood, I am well and I hope you sick on board of
are the same Dear Abama, Tell Violet Tell Papa to not
not to forget to send me those doll in buisness? Give
rings that she said she would when I send you all a
you send the bundle, We have plea Good bye Dear
sent weather, How are things down Brothers and sis
in San Diego? County bought me a new hat and had the grey dress
made and ^{an} over-dress trined with purple and she got me a pair of
gloves, Give my love to Charley Seely,
I miss you very much, I forgot to
tell you that abbiss Walton called
to see you the after you left, Tell
Violet that Gracie Abetter has a
little baby boy and that Gracie thin
has a great deal of it, Tell Violet
Lillie, George and Frank to write
to, I shall be glad to hear from them
and to know what is goin on down
there, Is San Diego as dull as ever,
Do you expect to pay us a visit in
the spring I hope you will, I go
to school every and learn my lessons
Grandma is not very well she has

from
Daug.

dad and to ebbes main county is well. Was Violet
well and I hope you sick on board of the steamer
or ebama, Tell Violet Tell Papa to write to me, As Papa
send me those doll in buissness? Give my love to all
and she would when I send you all many kisses
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from your affectionate
Daughter
Annie Whaley

Coat of arms?
Rachel to Thomas
Nov. 8th, 1871

of the Rev. Mrs. Smith's letters
this was a robbery.
New York Nov 8 1871

Dear Son Thomas. 251 gates ave

I received your letter but
have not had time to reply to such
lengthy letters or do I think you have any
right to be saying how I lived in days
gone by to support you in France & other
costs, foolish as I was to do so, now I have
no right to do as I please, wait until
I am dead as you would so much of
it. People tell me I am living too long
for my means of living why it is horrible
to think of us they know how I have done
for all of you, now I shall look well to settle
you well know I owed Howard \$100.00
when you left so I can't tell you I have
but little on hand after paying all
bills and assessments, all this I told
you before. Suppose I did say I
would like to build a house I should
sold land to pay on it that is if I did
say so or I must have been in fare. but I
found ways for what little I had

was obliged to get a nurse to wait on me go out and see
myself

we should by not being able to pick it
as I am obliged to live in quite a
different state, I am living in a very
nice house & I have a carriage & riding
pleasure, not being able to see the
I had not give my children any more
out of my experience, they would like
to have all, I show days he does not care
what I do with it, so that I get it in
my hands, if I say I intend, with it
the thanks some, still I wish to see my
children to know it, each day mostly
he has left it all to M. now she will
do all she can do, you see how I am
being paid for my maternal love to
to my only daughter, I am ashamed of it
that I not have given you all 5 or 6
I would not have understood, I have given
a full account of all the property you
particular left, I am afraid all I want
you children cannot describe me
of comforts, if I did practice so
much economy to take care of my
than clean children, I cannot do as they
wishes I am as good pleased for a long time

perhaps I will be done and that of
my wife and advisers. My own father
was in health, not one would say a word to
you I tell you I have let M. do her best
you shall, she is disappointed in full respect
wishes to you and for me to think of
I expect but little money from her, I
can hardly thank M. that I have
and a dollars cost to my if I have
found in retirement, I do not make
tell you, or will any more had you
have been as careful as I you would
have had plenty to do without thank
ing yourself about my affairs, if I did
help there myself to help you you
I have to Europe & back, did you
win any better treatment from you
for all my pains, ask yourself when
& when I get some money of such mean
subject I would not have been like
you would not have thought my
indignation, but you have M. & I.
I think is the most tender but I am
quite easy, I shall take a good
dining and so one can describe me

I see what it all means Now I have
some good friends I tell you but I have
little for ^{many} ~~long~~ (as I tell ~~you~~) he will be
down soon, so I shall hear what he says
I think he means right I will see.
to her I cannot get a word of reply (he said he
never would join in any family I think he is right
what good did all my extra expense do for you
are you any better? but I intended you should
be my good protection on lifes journey when
did I receive that care No I am cast amongst
strangers sick or well I have been very fortunate
people show ^{me} ~~me~~ great attention if any
confers a favour I compensate or how can
I expect a repetition of the kind I will try
to do right all the children come to see me I
Billy does business for me I pay in some way
I hope your are all well I hope J Rachel
will come she is his only child who has been ^{good}
except Tommy he I agree well I am glad as they
are married after me & father I hope they will
be good I thought you would be happy to
hear from me. We are all tolerable thank god -
Remains true to all your family Adieu
Your Aff^e Mother A. Whaley.

Recd Nov 22 71



Mr Thomas, Whaley, 1871
Diary
Old San Diego
California

I have the receipt somewhere, if knows all to be true & what a pity to trouble me at this time of life - but my friends have sympathized with me I take their good advice and think it will be all right then what will they do who have complained I think they had better have been silent for all they will get - certain it is the cannot depress me of all I want it may take all it may not

I hope all your children are well. I often forget the little ones when I write in a excitement whether so please me I shall write to you I have not heard from Jess in a long while by water & Mary are on Maine



I may show you my long letter to
I never see It or will I send it to her
she care not for it in McStar (now) she will
see if I am entitled to the Guinea
so she will go to all the expense
for all her good you know I paid
you the two hundred dollars the Will
said & It had the Dinner for which you all
gave me a receipt It for stock & tools
according to the Will who wants More

Mrs Rachel Whaley
~~354~~ Gates Ave
251
Brooklyn
L.I.

Brooklyn Nov 12-71
Dear Son This
I hope you will
Mention
to all your
family & friends
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I write you a short letter since, I write to say about the spoons I had laid ^{out} for you with the rest, I forget to name them in each letter, I have written therefore I will begin with St. John only see his a few ^{spoons} I should have given them to you kept between my beds but as we had so much unpleasantness I forgot them I will send ^{them} if you say so - 1. Large 3 small spoons I hope you are all well John was ^{down} last week will be here soon he is grand & Mary has a girl baby. that is well, I fear he will not be able to get a living of his place, but I wanted him to keep store, I hope he will do well any way. I was to see Fanny this summer George looks well I am pretty smart considering all I have to bare Harriette is to have the cases tried I am entitled to the Income

I think she had better began before
and not have deferred it so long poor body
she has always fared as well as any of
she might better send her boys to school
never heard from me people say I wonder
you do not live with your only daughter I
tell some I do not. Abby & Sally send love
Schaslem sick the ^{children} comes often to
see me, I like to see them when F. W. B. tells me
I will send him \$15 or 20 to buy a nice watch
do not say it to any body. I cant give to all
until 18 or 20 Billy has his father - so I am
free there Tommy to young we have a
beautiful full next month winter begins
I would go too if with my husband if I was
her & take all hands I would not care for
cost but some people are a little too near
I bet he has all he wants cost what it will
I regret that B. is not at a good school
I tell him to go on in B. but is their
business not mine I will write to them he
has recd my letters he thinks there is a few he will
join in I know then he will not have to pay
law) or do I want too rather give it away if

1871



Mr. Thomas, Whalley,
San Diego, Old town
California

Dec

1871

R.W.
1871



Mr Thomas. Whaley,
Old San Diego

California

God has bestowed on me at my time
of life for which I am humbly grateful
I raise up the Lord that men would
raise the Lord for his goodness to the children
I mean I begin to lose my zest for letter
writing. My friend Fanny writes no more her
light is very near. 30 years old quite smart
only thinks I should advise me to get a house & a
woman to take charge, a girl was but I fear
it would be too much anxiety for me.
Not this winter then I could have what I write
it is. I must take what I can get. Dec 3rd
hope you will read with interest. Mary P.
at Passaic, all the time. I thought she would be
at H. - no she prefers P. - you will know her
all are coming on this winter. George was here in
we wanted me to come up before he left him
since I have, he still has the pack though. when there
is better, that to stay a while. he says I am his
st. old Aunt. his son was on Sunday a fine
-king man, he has nice children & grand
house at Metuchen N.J. he lives in N.J.
I have had any help from him. he often
asks if my children, I hope you will give
our family my kind regards. I trust you
will all be well with your health.
Your affectionate father C. Wealey.
a full letter

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Dear Son Thomas Brooklyne
Dec 11
I have recd your moderate
letter of Sat. Mays, to which I will reply
I find you have recd 2 others which
you appear to make great purchases
then you cant hold them, what is use
No, I am not offended. what benefit
to write me of the land & R. & im-
provements in Jan. 2. if you are doing
well I am pleased, but I cannot see
for you, or guide you in the best.
I wished you to know how affairs are
As I wrote I have given up the suit. My
Lawyer told the lawyer so, & said that
you go on most certain. I have
given a full account of all property so
now they are to try if I am entitled
to the income they are waiting for
I think I wrote all this before to you
only see what anxiety it gives me
I do not think I want any more

She ought to be satisfied. I say
he is getting \$7,000 per annum. He
performs some law concern down in
Florida, if I was his wife I would go
to Ft. too, in winter. your weather is
Pleasant indeed. I hope you will get rain.
I would like to know why Henry does not
write to me. I am not fearful of it in the
least. How hard people speak of her
your children thinks you are living too
long! to bad, after what I have done
I, must treat it with contempt. I hope
you mailed my letter to Hen. I guess
he is doing well, I do not want a cent off
him. my child, never gave me a doll
you will say I have not replied to
your letter I hope times will soon be
better, you have had luck. I guess
Mary are one from the wife, his wife will soon
be on to see her aged Father & I he is a man of
considerable means by Child. She has done well too
accumulate a living has not attended to business
since married. no one has helped him one dollar
better than any of mine.

I am sorry to say it, so it is. he is a good
business man besides helping to provide for
his two sisters. a fine brother, indeed, you
will say. I often think Harriette must
feel bad not to have proper intercourse with
her relations. but you are a good judge of her
mind, feelings. what a pity it is, I do not think
she gives much away. I have not had a word
of it since you was here. or at that time.
it is over a year since I saw her only to pass by -
people think why does not your child come to
see you, I make a slight reply. but do not want
to have trouble. I have better I less than that.
I can not do any more for her than I have, if I
have any thing to spare I must give
nearly. She has a great abundance. that is
nothing to me, or what I have to her. I wish
her well she is my child may she see her
ever. I hope you & family are well. I will
inform you of all things as they come
I lately sold this house heated by steam & very
comfortable. I seldom sit in the reception parlor
or library I love my own room I write & read
and contemplate on my many blessings

went over and expressed
is very much. The Spanish
people in our town are
making great preparations
for the eighth of December.
I wish they lay the
beginning was from our
I do not think they will
have any Ball fights, - but -
a dance in the evening. I am
invited to a little dance
to-night - at Mrs Seelys, but
do not expect to go. as
I expect - for I don't want
to go. I am also invited
to the Messengers Ball
that comes off on the
29th of this month, but do
not expect to go there either.
There is about Christmas time
and people are trying to
make a little fun if possible.

San Diego Dec 11/71

My dear daughter, I have
been very sick of late, & my
reason for not having written
is that you tell me I should
write much often, even though
I do not contain prospects.
I have always been to hear from
you Grandpa and Aunt for
me have very little done
here to amuse us now, San
Diego is duller than ever,
no business, and being at
anything else, but we hope
when Spring lets in to see
twinkles times. How is dear
mother and family? are
they well and comfortable?

the
check room with you & all
George that I have some more
available for hire. I think all
the children for me much love
to all.

from your
affectionate
Margaretta Whaley

P.S. My dear mother.
We have had such a violent
storm all the week that I was
not able to post my letter
before. Grandma does not
feel well her head is very
dizzy. I wish you dear father
and other quiet children
a Merry Christmas and an
also Grandma and all
family.

Dear Grandma Dec 18 1879

My Dear Mother and Father

I received

your kind letter with pleasure and
was glad to hear from you, but I was
very sorry to hear that you have been
so sick. I have had feet on legs
my fingers but they are almost well.
Grandma and I are pretty well
Grandma says she has received no word
from you to send me from and she
thinks that I might be sent
after me or some of your friends.
We are having a great storm to day
advising her given up her school
and she has to go out to give lesson
she teaches at Mrs Burns and
she thinks I say my lessons every

day. The Burns gave identity tickets here. I am very well I am Mr Watters.
For the Society. Mr Burns has written Grandmother had a letter from the
a play called total other which draw clothes and the to in just the same
covered however, it was very beautiful. but in good general health. Grandmother
the Watters gave identity tickets received a letter paper from
for the Grandmother's invitation. I must
the play is very beautiful. I have a book book. I must be able to go
- make for paper for you and I must be able to go
go are the Burns one will fall
Watters and his little sister and
was I am making like the play one before she is going. On Saturday
Maama will you please to cut out day after day. come in the evening
there are three pieces of drawers. I have with a jacket with a shawl in
but two great pieces to my name
I am wearing that special dress.
that you had for me I wear it also whenever I am in a hurry.
every day. How is your son and
all the children? I am sorry to hear you are not doing any
thing but I hope he will have
- thing to do soon. Tell ~~the~~ the
that you had for me I wear it also whenever I am in a hurry.
to her and sends her to write to
and some body else we don't know
and sent one and a letterman
brought a pic and also a letter
a lady Grandmother teacher a her
- hot full of the Baker, Miller,
Bernard, ~~the~~ the the, and
Richard, ~~the~~ the the the

went over and enquired
if very much. The Spanish
people in our town are
making great preparations
for the eighth of December.
I wish they lay the
beginning very soon on.
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have any Balle fight, but
I dare in the evening. I am
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to go. I am also invited
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28th. I this month, but do
not expect to go there either.
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and people are going to
make a little fun if possible

My dear daughter Annie.

I have been very well of late, in my
return for not having much
need your letters. I should
write much of them, were they
if I do not receive promptly.
I am always bound to hear from
you and of our dear country for
we have very little news
here to announce to you, San
Diego is duller than ever,
no business, and being at
anything else, but we hope
before Spring lets in to see
better times. There is dear
brother and family? are
they well and comfortable?

San Diego Dec 11/31

Since my love to them will be wanted to see you and
and tell them that I want cannot send you any more
to send them a present as money for some time. If
I wish as I can, but I can Grandmother sends us to
not get any money at all, much to keep you, you
every one is very poor down. Can come down on the
here. There is your health. Miss Aka is charge of some
humor, I hope you are lady says and will on
well and a good girl to board, there are always
I thank me and your lady. some coming down. You
They are very kind to will be pretty safe on
you, and you must be board in charge of the
do to them. You must not (expect as I wish. You will
expect to see any of us be what Grandmother says,
the spring and then I can I have not printed the
not say, for certain when Mrs. Murray get, as I have
you will see. There is much to much words to do and
Wells, is he getting better? When I had to make the
The children are all well children some cats to them
and send you much love for school. I will fix it all
upon Father was not at all up after awhile. He had
pleased that I did not. The Rev. David Cousins has
living you home for he says for several days. We all