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FAMILY LETTERS

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San Diego Cal^a

Jan'y 2^d 1869

Friend Whaley

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Grover promised me that he would

do it before this time
was just but failed
to come in to town.

I should know of
any reliable person
here that would take
the office, so that in
all cases I would
have to take the office
myself.

I think that even
if you need funds it
can be raised where the
local residents live, and
that they are certain to
by this time. I haven't
been here for 3 or 4 months
he keeps on his count
below. I shall go
down there in a month
or two and get

some cattle out of him,
I can learn
nothing of interest of
you about Bozjatis.
Everybody believes that
he has property, but since
Barnes' name.

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I have just received
from Mr. Gray - he
has got a thing to do
that the amount was
one hundred dollars -

Nothing new here,
I suppose that you have
heard that Derogian might
- sign in is raised to
Mister (Bot, Jimmie father)
George Smith is to be
arrived next week &

My wife's daughter,
Lorenna Silva

Mannman & Schiller are doing
the best business in town, and
Dorothea next, Meier &
Reynold Mannan & Frank
Ames I think are not
doing much over making
expenses, some of Newman
& Gerson.

I saw your brother in
St. Bernadino a few weeks
ago, he is doing well I
think says he wished he had
gone there two years ago.
all were well. The new baby
and all.

Write and let me
know what you think of
matters.

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Beverly Hills Jan 5th 1880

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your answer, congratulations; my maternal
feelings induce me to send you and
family, a year, salutations, which I trust
will find you all in the enjoyment of health
& happiness, two very important blessings.
Thomas, I have written several letters to
you, since receiving any from you, it ap-
pears very strange, and when people ask
when I have heard from you & H, I am at
a loss for a moment, as H has not written
since his wife left Eng, for that I cannot
conceive, the cause, though, I write to his
few parents, would, but you know I am better
than many, I will not forsake him, he
will feel the remorse of all the disrespect
he has ever shown me, and many others
with him, that is his business, Mine is
to do what I consider right.

I must not forget to mention waiting, in kind feelings
to any children, My conscience, will excuse me
never, I trust. We are all in the state you
mentioned, at least good. There is not a
quite a small, but little one given, which, by
a state of mind, respect and friendly manners, is
quite pleasing, it thinks much of him. He
has one fine month old a honey yellow, looks
something like our hair when a little long.

I should be very happy to see you. Little children
of course must talk quite, by the way, he would
not know his kind grandmother, if he was to see
her, more than his little sister Cecilia, I love
that name, was my dear mother's. Much love from
left a daughter's eyes, named, Cecilia, I think
the only one that has survived, out of many, I had
two of the names. I send that your Aunt Anne
was to be married to a grand old man, a former out
west it has come to pass in, when I'll she writes
that do you, she is quite happy, he has to say, I
to 8, 16. The must not try to govern them or
they will be very good with her, I told her she
must let them, as they pleased, unless she
could prevent in them to obey her request, she
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and instead of it, the distance she will be
away is about 1000 miles. Michigan Battle Creek
consequently we may never see her again, as our day
of her sister would consent to go so far, for one
therefore I expect she will be happy, as it was her
not instead, being in circumstances to provide
for herself, she is very smart and active, a
good mother, I have not seen the proof, she was married
at Detroit for 20 or 25 years, as the weather was
cold and chilly - he is a person of good education
she only saw him a few times, I think it was in
last, saw him out west while living with her
she must do the best she can now as we are
on both here. My the Lord bless her in my hope.

What a detail - when my dear son, I must inquire
concerning your business, which I hope is prospering
I hope to hear from you very soon, I will write to the
to day. I hope she is well with him, do you know me all.
you can name of his things if he is comfortable
I open them to him, and his letter, I hope
he is a kind loving parent. Your I of it
the young girl, as written. He will show
to us as you request the last letter I wrote
to you was concerning, Father, and the rest out
to you, to which I have had not any objection
you must feel quite satisfied, or you would
have I am quite contented with my part, who

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some weeks which is company for me she boards
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happy happy New Year, and grant that
we may all see many. the Lords will
be done. Believe this from your

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Mother to Son Letter

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of my self for letting so many letters
pass without answering your letter will you
pleas forgive me we have had a great deal
of sickness here this winter, & quite a number
of deaths for San Diego, Victoria's brother
you is to be married on the 8th to Mrs B.
Sister Teresa, they sent for me on the
first but I will not go it is so very far
I have not attended any of the parties
or wedding this winter, I am getting a little
fast I have lost almost all my teeth in
a short time I suppose I will have to
gum it pretty soon rents is very
low now & I cannot collect, I have
got a judgement for one hundred three dollars
against big times on his last year rent

to has promised to pay me tomorrow - we will
say if he do not I will tell the printer
him, Mrs Jones continues visiting me ^{one}
all the I heart him cold, he has only give
that is what he is not visit the 17th I
did not get the 17th but this year also tells
got it William has not got any money
ment get but I hope he will soon
he is keeping them for Frank Jones
during his absence in your City
dear friend I want to see you & your little
one very much - you do not know the
pleasure it gives us to hear little Stuart
sayings of our dear little Stanning we
rejoice them ^{with} until they get that
love you if I do not make I do not need
& I wish & your - I am & so - please my
days we have each guests very often
& comfortable rain. This year, the
at Col Mountain's look quite green
all our new plans things we have plenty
of winter games this year William

has killed about 40 number quail,
& some ducks, we have had quite
a number of us coming, ladies & girls
to visit you things for their health. This
winter, some like it - others come by
fire boat, last boat & long steam-
ing came down - independent, to make
this place. then home fast with the
the Meades took a good share in every
house they left me away with by the same
boat with Miss tells me Mrs Strang
wrote her you & your pretty Sisters had
collected one her. She is quite proud
of her money; I think by what I hear
it will come very near sending my kin
to keep company with Mrs Lane
they are all down in him here
who is coming down by his boat to have his
trial I don't fancy him or her
she is none of a side substance; but
I have made all the wedding cake the day
& I am quite tired I will never get it made like
this again if I can help it more & more

I want you to write dear friend & let ^{me} know
how you are getting along with your little
family & tell me you will come down & live
in your nice house again & then I will be happy
I am told the Debose family is coming
down here to sell tavern again I hope
it is not so by the way Henspe has another
boy & has been quite sick some think she has the
dropsy then is making money he has no oppo-
sition Mrs Stephens is dead poor Fanny
she had a hard time in this world I hope
she had a through ticket to heaven I don't
like the thought of remaining in limbo
we had rain last month & earthquake
tho it is quite cold I like it change but not
of this kind & now William tells me
the moon is half veiled poor Sam Deigo
I suppose tomorrow the sun will do some
thing or the stamer will not come side
ways please give my love to all the family
& warmly in particular to dear friend
your friend J. P. Robinson

San Diego, Feb. 4th 1860

Mrs. Whaley

My dear friend

I am quite ashamed of myself for letting so many Steamers pass without answering your letter, will you please forgive me : we have had a great deal of sickness here this winter, & quite a number of deaths, for San Diego. Ysidora Coutts brother Jose is to be married on the 8 to Mrs. B. Sisteresa, they sent for me on the first but I will not goe it is verry far I have not attended any of the parties or weddings this winter I am getting old very fast I have lost all most all my teeth in a short time I suppose I will have to gum it pretty soon Rents is verry low now & I cannot collect, I have got a Judgement for one hundred three dollars against big Aims (ames) on his last years rent he has promise to pay me tomorrow we will See, if he does not I will Sell the press for him, Mrs. Ames continues visiting me yet althu (altho I treat him cold, he has only one friend that is Nickels Mr A don't visit Mrs. N. Mr. N did not get the School this year Mrs. tibbets got it William has not got enny employment yet but I hope he will Soon he is keeping Store for Frank Ames during his absence in you Gitty. (City)

dear friend I want to see you & your little ones verry much you do not know the pleasure it gives us to hear little Smart Saying of our dear little Franky we repeat them untill they get threadbare you ask if I visit much I do not I read & Smoak & work some & so passes my days, we have Earthquakes verry often & considerable rain this year, the Old Mountains look quite green all around San Diego we have plenty of wild game this year William has killed about too hundred quail & some ducks, we have had quite A number of up country ladies & gents to visit San Diego for their health this winter;

Some like it Others leave by the first boat, last boat a large family came down intending to make this place their home but when the She males took a good Stare in every house they left in disgust by the same boat Mrs Miers (Meiers) tells me Mrs Stranys wrote her you & your pretty Sister had called on her, I think by what I hear it will come verry near sending him to keep company with Mrs. Ames they are all down on him here he is coming down by this boat to have his trial I do not pity him or her he is dishonest & She subscribes to it

6th I have made all the wedding cake this day & I am quite tired I will never get a scrape like this again if I can help it it will not pay

I want you to write dear friend & let me know how you are getting along with your little family & tell me your will come down & live in your nice house again & then I will be happy I am told the De - blose (De Blois) family is coming down here to sell tavern again? I hope it is not so by the way Henri's wife has another boy & has been quite Sick Some think she has the dropsy & hen is making money he has no opposition Mrs Stephens is dead poor fanny She had a hard time in this world I hope she had a through ticket to heaven I do not like the thought of remaining in limbo we had rain last month & earthquakes this & it is quite cold I like a change but not this kind & now William tells me the moon is half veiled poor San Dieago I suppose tomorrow the Sun will do Something or the Steamer will not come sideways Pleas give my love to all the family & Franky in particular Adieu dear friend you friend S.R. Robinson

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6th I have made all the wedding cake this day & I am quite tired I will never get a scrape like this again if I can help it it will not pay

I want you to write dear friend & let me know how you are getting along with your little family & tell me your will come down & live in your nice house again & then I will be happy I am told the De - blose (De Blois) family is coming down here to sell tavern again? I hope it is not so by the way Henri's wife has another boy & has been quite Sick Some think she has the dropsy & hen is making money he has no opposition Mrs Stephens is dead poor fanny She had a hard time in this world I hope she had a through ticket to heaven I do not like the thought of remaining in limbo we had rain last month & earthquakes this & it is quite cold I like a change but not this kind & now William tells me the moon is half vailed poor San Dieago I suppose tomorrow the Sun will do Something or the Steamer will net come sideways Pleas give my love to all the family & Franky in particular Adieu dear friend you friend S.R. Robinson

San Diego, Feb. 4th 1860

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San Francisco, February 17th 1860

Friend Wm,

I did not receive your letter of January 2nd till a few days ago, not until acquainted which will account to you for my not having written sooner. I am sorry the survey of the Goldman ranch is not made when Green was surveyor. I fear if made by you in your official capacity it will be of no use as Goldman would prove that you are an interested party. You had better wait till you are considered appointed or at least to require participation in its effects before making it yourself. I trust in your visit to the ranch of Reed & Co. you will meet with the success you anticipate. It is about time Grand Square was matter with us.

A. D. Gray has indeed got a very wrong impression of things, but in as much as he is disposed to settle I think we had better do so upon the best terms possible.

Wm. W. Chubb
Feb 18, 1860

I have not heard from him - and as it is so long since he wrote to me, Nov 1st 1859, I presume I shall not. I shall write to him requiring a prompt settlement referring him entirely to you for the reason as I shall state all the papers relating to the subject are with you - The only previous letter to him I did not specify the amount he owed us - but simply stated that if he was disposed to pay he could make settlement with you providing that whatever arrangement you made would be satisfactory to me - I presume that you shall write to him - state to him that Judge Withersby never called upon us or he would have found out that instead of receiving delayance from the sale of the lots which I was obliged to buy in consequence of their being no purchasers with the exception of one lot bought by Wm.) we were worse off than before the suit was commenced, having to pay the ^{defendant's} ~~costs~~ ^{costs} ~~of the suit~~ ^{of the suit} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~expenses~~ ^{expenses} amounting to \$90.45. The sales of the lots ~~only~~ ^{amounted to} ~~only~~ ^{only} about \$70.00 - so that actually we were ten dollars worse off - considering that the property worth what I gave for it. I presume that you send to Gray the copy of his note that he may see that the amount instead of being \$100. as he imagines ^{which I suppose was filed in that justice court with the note} was \$143.94, and then a copy of his letter in which

he volunteered time as he remitted the idleness there by. The transcript of exact state for the lot so acc. on jud. If it is the case reader why the amount, but we willing in advance to provide to grow. So I will reduce ^{more for every note}

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he volunteered to pay 5% per month until such
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 months. Then again I sent him a copy of the
 transcript of the Judgment to show him the
 exact state of things, the amount received
 for the 104 lbs, the cost of court and balance
 due on judgment at 5% per month interest.
 If it is the company which is to pay then it is no
 reason why they should not indemnify us the full
 amount, but if it is A. B. Gray who is to pay I
 am willing to treat very liberally with him
 inasmuch he has written to you and stated a dis-
 position to pay. Let us meet him upon his own
 ground so far as interest is concerned -

I will reduce to figures as nearly as I can should
 be for dates or correct figures -

Note given June 22, 1854 for \$	144.00
Interest to Sept 22, 1854 @ 5%	21.60
" " to Dec 15, 1855 10% per annum	17.60
Dec 15, 1855 Received from the Ins of Ins after deducting cost of 300.00	\$183.20 -
Balance then due	43.20
Interest from Dec 15, 1855 to present time @ 5%	\$140.00
	60.00
	\$200.00

I think we can agree to settle with him for this amount, even
 with the company, and thank Mr A. B. Gray for not holding
 back so far as I am concerned, he can have them for what
 they have cost with the legal rate of interest added

I have not dispoised of any of them excepting those deducted
 to H. S. Neal at your request and if you have control
 of them dispoise we offer to Mr. Gray all, but
 lots back again for what they have cost us,
 excepting of course the one legacy to Mrs. Child
 is beyond our control. They cost us (\$45.00)

Taxes paid them 44.40
 Agent's Expenses 9.75
 Total - \$129.65

and some taxes since - I would only make the offer
 without stating the amount as it is not likely they
 will want them - I will make a comparative state-
 ment of what we might claim from Gray with the one
 for \$200 -

Note given June 22. 1854 for \$144.00
 Interest to Dec 15 1855 at 5% per ann. 128.00
 Making - \$272.00
 Balance from note produced by Gray Aug 11 113.00
 Balance then due - \$229.00

Interest on \$101.00 (\$48.00 having been paid on a/c)
 from Dec 15 1855 till the present time Aug 252.00

Amount which I suppose to be legally due from A. B. Gray \$481.00

Thos. A. B. Gray will perceive we are liberally disposed
 to settle with him and I think if he is not disposed
 had they means he will do so - I shall leave the
 settlement of the matter entirely to you, to take your
 own discretion and say name any amount you
 think proper either more or less than \$200.00 only
 advise you will attend to it as speedily as possible
 while he is in the summer and may stop in New York
 I think you have my mind fully. I have signed for
 not to have room to say more. Yours truly H. C. Wiley.

Whaley to Morse Letter

San Francisco February 18,
1860

Friend Morse,

I did not receive your letter of January 2nd till a few days ago, not until advertised which will account to you for my not having written Sooner- I am sorry the Survey of the Goldman ranch was not made when Groom was Surveyor. I fear if made by you in your official capacity it will be of no use as Goldman would prove that you are an interested party. I see no other way than to wait till your Successor is appointed - or at least to enquire particularly into its effects before making it yourself - I trust in your visit to the ranch of Lino Lopez you will meet with the Success you anticipate. It is about time Lino squared up matters with us.

A.B. Gray has indeed got a very wrong impression of things, but in as much as he is disposed to settle I think we had better do So upon the best terms possible . I have not heard from him and as it is so long Since he wrote to you, Nov 1st 1859, I presume I shall not. I shall write to him urging a prompt settlement refering him entirely through to you for the reason as I shall State all the papers relating to the Subject are with you- In my previous letter to him I did not specify the amount he owed us- but simply stated that if he was disposed to pay he could make Settlement with you surmising that whatever arrangement you made would be satisfactory to me- I propose that you Shall write to him - State to him that Judge Witherby never called upon us or he would have found out that instead of receiving the money from the Sale of the lots (which I was obliged to buy in consequence of there being no pruchasers with the exception of one lot bought by Moore) we

were worse off than before the Suit was commenced, having to pay the cost of Court \$36.30 counsel-fees-and taxes \$44.40 cost of deed \$5.00 and recording \$ 4.75 - amounting to \$90.45. The sale of the lots amounted to only about \$80.00- So that actually we were ten dollars worse off- considering that the property worth what I gave for it. I propose that you Send to Gray the Copy of his Note that he may See that the amount instead of being - \$100. as he imagines was \$143.97, which I suppose is filed in the Justices Court with the note in which he volunteers to pay 5 % per month until Such time as he reimbursed us then-again in order to correct the idea that he borrowed it for only three months. Then again Send him a copy of the transcript of the Judgment to Show him the exact State of things, the amount received for the lots Sold, the cost of court and balance due on judgment at 5% per month interest. If it is the company which is to pay there is no reason why they Should indemnify us the full amount, but if it is A.B. Gray who is to pay I am willing to treat very liberally with him in as much he has written to you and Shows a disposition to pay. Let us meet him upon his own ground So far as interest is concerned - I will reduce to figures as nearly as I can I do not vouch for dates or correctness of amounts -

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taxes paid received	\$44.40
deed and recording	9.75

Total \$129. 65

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per mo Say	\$128.00
Making	\$272.00

Received from nett proceeds Sale of Lots Say	\$ 43.00
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Balance then due	\$229.00
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Interest on \$101.00(\$43.00 having been paid on A/C)	
from Dec. 15, 1855 till the present time say	252.00

Amount which I suppose to be <u>legally</u> due us from	481.00
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Making	139.20
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Balance then due	<u>\$229.00</u>
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Interest on \$101.00(\$43.00 having been paid on A/C) from Dec. 15, 1855 till the present time say	252.00
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Amount which I suppose to be <u>legally</u> due us from	<u>\$481.00</u>
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Thos. Whaley

Whaley to Morse Letter

San Francisco February 15,
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Interest to Dec. 15, 1855 at 5%	
per mo Say	\$128.00
Making	\$272.00

Received from nett proceeds Sale of Lots Say	\$ 43.00
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Balance then due	\$229.00
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Interest on \$101.00(\$43.00 having been paid on A/C) from Dec. 15, 1855 till the present time say	252.00
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Yours truly

Thos. Whaley

Mr. Whaley

San Diego Feb. 21st.
1860.

Dear Sir

Father, being
unable to write on account of a
severe cold, has transferred to me
the responsible office of family
scribe

Mrs. Whaley's
letter of the 17th. came duly to hand
and much we marvel but her not
receiving a letter from us which
we sent by last boat. We are
truly glad to hear from you and
your family, for you are the only
persons we look upon as friends,
in the strictest sense of the word.

Nothing would please us better
than for you to send Frankney
soon. The rains will be all
over I think, by the time the next
steamer gets near here, therefore

he may come down immediately.
If you wish him to go to school
there is a very good one under the
charge of Mrs. Tibbets.

Mother sends her thanks for those
line apples which you sent her
per Elva Stramas — he will
not call to see us. She wishes
you to buy her two sacks of flour
of the same weight as those you
brought, and also one of corn —
meal. I know of no news except
that the river is said to be coming
down. Your house is very well taken
care of by the occupants.

Give my love to Mrs. Whaley,
Frankie, washing, and little Frank.

Yours truly,
W. H. Robinson

W.N. Robinson to Thos. Whaley

San Diego, Feb. 21st 1860

Mr. Whaley

Dear Sir

Mother, being unable to write on account of a severe cold, has transferred to me the responsible office of family scribe. Mrs. Whaley's letter of the 17th came duly to hand and much we marvel at her not receiving a letter from us which we sent by last boat. We are truly glad to hear from you and your family, for you are the only persons we look upon as friends, in the strict sense of the word.

Nothing would please us better than for you to send Franky down. The rains will be well over I think, by the time the next steamer gets hear here; therefore he may come down immediately. If you wish him to go to school there is a very good here under the charge of Mrs. Tibbetts.

Mother sends her thanks for those fine apples which you sent her per Olav Strauss - he did not call to see us. She wishes you to buy her two sacks of flour of the same weight as those you before, and also one of cornmeal. I know of no news except that the river is said to be coming down. Your house is well taken care of by the occupants.

Give my love to Mrs. Whaley, Franky darling and little Nan

Yours truly

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1860?

Acapulco 20th May
Friend Whaley

I arrived here
to day. after a pleasant passage
so far as wind and weather
is concerned. but terribly
depressed in spirits, but hope
to arrive safe in New York, have
the trouble. give my best respects
to your dear wife & kiss your
dear children for me. & my
God bless you & yours & send
the Napoleon pack up to \$50
per share &

Sincerely yours

J. H. Rogers

Janaculu March 28 1860

Thos. Whaley Esq

Dear Sir your letter of date

some time is at hand In which you inform
me you receive six dollars from St. Hamilton

at the same time requesting me to make immediate
payment of the balance to Mr. Emerson

Now I do not deny the honesty of your bill
but you cannot get blood from a turnip

My intention is to pay you as soon as I can
I wish the money this is all I can do for you

at present of late I have been cured the
several accounts making me costs &c

I am doing no business of any kind
times are such there is no money here
as far as I am concerned many thanks

Proc. from to the ...
I repeat to you ...
I will pay ...
I will apply for the Bankrupt
I will assure I will
I will pay you when I have got
to pay with

Yours &c
J. H. ...

Dear Sir
I received on the 1st of March 1856

In looking over the Register
I see that - Lind Lieut. John W
Gaston - Lind Lieut. Capt. Stuart Co
Resigned - Not March to prevent
being Court Martialled - I do not
know the person - I do not think I
ever saw him - but if you have discovered
any vouchers for Stuart's officers through that
of Stuart's have this Gaston's vouchers I think
Stuart would be responsible for the amount
in whole or in part - If you have
his paper let me know & I will
find out how to communicate with
Stuart who is now in command of
Fort Lawrence

Yours truly
W. J. Thompson

San Diego Apr 14th 1861

My Dear Friend

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by the last boat by a severe headache
I am quite well again thank god & hope
you & your family are all well our place
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I thank him for ^{the} wine it came safely
& is excellent

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Brooklyn April 22nd 1860

Dear Love Thomas.

I feel a inclination to write
 a few lines least you may think me weary of
 well doing, I shall be extremely busy next
 week, as I am to move, it will be considered
 an expectation, though I need not do much myself,
 but, must see that it is done to please my I am
 to reside in the house with an English gentl-
 lady they have lived there for some time he
 possesses the property and two adjoining, lives
 on his income, as I do I presume I shall be
 quite comfortable, though I shall not be ^{near} so
 to Tolson, only five minutes walk. I often stay
 with Harriette a few weeks as she is lonely
 he being away, since Dec^r I am pleased
 with my home, when I return to it. I consider
 it good for elderly people, to have a home of
 their own, then they are at liberty to visit
 as frequently as they may deem proper I
 came and remained a week with H, all
 proper for an Aunt, to do. Children prefer
 her very much if they are disobedient.
 she is very smart considering her age. I expect
 Aunt Angelina to come from Newark daily

Thomas I am tired of speaking or listening
 have made a single family that you cannot trust I think
 do you for all more time
 now

Thomas I thought you wrote in your last that you had
a mind to pay your water land a visit, I trust you
will if it is in your power, but you are so closely tied
with Cal^a that I presume you find it more convenient
to talk about than to put in practice, but I must wait
your good pleasure, I will be patient as possible. I have not
heard a word of the Deverux in a year I will write to them
I hope they are doing pretty well they lived in Flushing
at that time & I intend to go to call on Mr Porters if
I can get an escort I would like to see them very much
I think them worthy of our respect and attention
May 18, I am moved and settled in my new home
quite pleasant, Aunt A, is with me, goes to
Mrs Smith to morrow to pay a visit of a few
days. John and family well, sisters likewise
I trust, you and family all well. do write
to me soon give all news of Helen - I am expect-
ing to receive a letter in this - I - the map of the
B^y way property I sent to Thompsons father, a long
time ago and never could get it again if I had it
I would copy it as you say - I will send you
the family register, enclosed in my last I sent
you a map of Brooklyn write if you view
remember me to the children and tell them of their
grandma Rehaly, how I should love to see
but my own are the most dear to me I know
you must be a good father, to your opinion
I have your likeness beside me I gaze on it
once in a while, with the rest, occasionally
May the Lord bless us all. your affectionate
Mother R. Whaley

SAN FRANCISCO
APR 29
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Mrs Thomas Whaley
Care of Thomas Whaley Esq
714 Clementina Street between 8 & 9
San Francisco

When I parted from you, last March, My dear Mrs Whalley, it was with an understanding that you intended moving during the Spring, to a more convenient house, in which went, you thought, you could, with your Husbands approbation, receive me, & little Mercidita. For a few weeks or a month after the first of July in to yr family. — I have thought of this plan, constantly, & cannot help hoping that you will realize your plan of getting comfortably fixed in a good house, for the sake of yr self & little Family, & also, that you will not from any circumstances that might occur, be obliged to change yr mind as to receiving Mercidita & myself — I wish very much, if you please, to carry out my plan of giving the poor little girl a pleasant holiday for a few weeks, & at the same time to prevent her Father from dragging her about the world in Steam-boats & Hotels which I think utterly demoralizing for any one but cruel to little girls. — I will not my dear Child trouble you with a long winded epistle because I know how busy you are always, but if you will get yr good Husband to write me one line just to say you can receive me, I shall be very happy. — I have as yet thought of no other arrangement than that of being with you, nor do I intend to think of any other plan. — But at the same time I want you to be quite candid with me

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& C^r Ma -

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Essex City Lane County

Nov 15 1860

Dear Sir

The Honorable General

me your letters directed to Salem - I
have also obtained the other letters you have
written me at various dates all directed to
that town in Marion County. About a year
since Genl Lane had the grain survey ground
removed & also had the place removed to
this place which is about twelve miles
south of Salem at the foot of the California
mountain - the letters were taken on the
Steamer Columbia of the Wisconsin River then
in Salem go on the regular steamer to
the Columbia River - so when you enter
hereafter direct you to the top of the page
I regret that I have not been able to
have not been able to get Mr. Deane
I believe to be of great importance & soon
the Rail Road work is decided upon. You
write me you are living in San Francisco

I have obtained a situation there I hope
you may do well in your old place of
Business I am still in the Surveyor
General's Office in the Island of St. George
and depend on being perhaps
in California I cannot draw
as much as I would like - I have
not yet been out Surveying but done in
chief - With regard to the amount I owe
you I am to get from the Office
of Account Concerning that matter I must
before long be in the Islands or with
the report to be in a letter when I
will let you & pay the amount you may
require it's some time I have the
suspicion that Mr. Traveller is dead -
also Capt James Traveller - Is George
still in Panama? what is he doing there?
What chance has he of obtaining his property?
San Francisco is the place for the week
what is the name of the place? I see
W. R. Maddison the little owner - also
the same - Remember me to your wife
I should like much to see her - how
does she like California? I hope

with you to
you know
I the trouble
Office in
Francisco
at the San
the face of
Removal of
Dr. you will
at the 18th
the distance
I hope
& later a
from you &
your letter
a great

I do not require the St. P. Miles recommended
of the General Board of Oregon - but the amount
recommended by the Commission for Expenses to appropriate

My folks are all well & kind regards to
you & sons - I am somewhat unwell
at present - I do not think I have
been unwell to much before - I am
hope I can have an opportunity of going
on a short trip to San Francisco - I shall
look for a letter from you next week
& shall hope to correspond with you
again.

A friend asked me if I could give
information regarding Sacramento County Woods
- if they are timbered land & at what
price they are being sold - Can you
me this information -
Yours truly
J. P. Thompson

4th July ^{Brooklyn} July 13, 1860
Fireworks celebration
in Brooklyn

John Hurt land
attlingoff blue light

Mary + Linda's dresses
catch fire by a
serpent firework

Rachel likes living
in Brooklyn - She
going to Newtown
to ascertain burial
place of Grandfather
Whaley -

Prince of Wales to
visit N.Y.

Brooklyn July 10th 1860

My Dear Son Thomas.

Why have I not received my promised letter I hope your health is good, or that may be the reason, I trust not, I have written several times since I read your long communicative letter but what is the use for me to write so frequently to you, unless you respond but this you know I must not lose time to detail to you what your knowledge will improve you therefore you better take heed in time. How did you spend the Fourth of July I trust no accident has happened I am sorry to say, I had his hand setting off a blue light it burst, burnt him a little then Mary's linen dress caught fire by a serpent fire work, it might have been of serious consequence had she father had been present I suppose, Franky, is fond of fire works, he must be a smart boy - I would like to see him, he would love his Grand Mar, Whaley, very much then comes little Missy

I wish you would send me your family group as you have promised
I do not like to ask so often. Sept 2nd 1860 this letter I commended
some time ago pity to forget it though it was the 10th of July I have recd
you very lengthy letter and responded to it as strictly as I could with
Jimmy & Tommys curl I must write all occurrences Thom's wife was
confining on the 11th of Aug of a fine son it died at night quite
a disappointment to all the family, E. is very comfortable Aunt Mary
is the nurse, F. is making an addition to his house of some bed
rooms I hope he will soon be settled he has been comfortable
in health this summer full of business - Wm. Pyle went to
Texas last winter and established keeping an Hotel I send you
his advertisement as I received it in a San Antonio paper
the sisters are not married I tell Sylvester he must follow on his
Lanney, captivated any Californian I hope she has. I hope you have
my answer I wrote concerning some lots in Franklin Avenue
between Gates & Putnam see Map. \$900 - the agent could not tell
me until the gent comes from the country first - the lots I was
in City yesterday around 2nd & 3rd and Madison Park how much all
scenes are changing within a few years I would not like to live in
City now Brooklyn is the place, Thomas I have concluded to
erect a stone to your grandfather whaley - I think he
ought to have one I shall have to foot it up at my own
expense, so I go next week to spend a fortnight with Sally
go to Newtown to ascertain the place of his burial -
I am certain your father would have it done was he here
Sally is pleased with my intentions she has been sick is better
78 years of age looks old ~~but~~ concordia has three grand children

that snake
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men, is me
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bought it.
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be here
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children.

that makes Sally great grand Mother and me great great
thus you perceive we are advancing in great honor. The sum
men, is now expired we have had considerable warm weather I can
tell you but I prefer to remain in B, to traveling to Cal.
I hope sign papers to then to ~~Washington~~ Avenue in New York is
in ~~Dean~~ St - B, Avenue, runs north & south, see Map it may cost 200
the property will be the better I would soon put me up a house if I had
any one to live with me but, as I had a fancy for the spot I
bought it. I think the gent I live in the house with, will sell
this fall, I must look out again his wife is quite sickly they may
not keep house only the two - I fully expected a letter from you
this steamer therefore I am disappointed, you must have missed
mine, or this, do write of Henry, how stupid he must be to
act thus, I cannot do more than I have I have Lewis Franklin in
San Diego, I wrote to him about Henry, No one feels the same
about Henry as I do, I think you had better write to him and
tell him what I say, my letters to him may have been interse-
pted and may never have come to hand to him, at least
Thomas, you had better run home to see us, if you would en-
joy your visit more than you did last time; or you had
better remain where you are - I think I have communi-
cated all that interests you perhaps more. I hope to hear from you soon
may you enjoy good health with your family with the blessing
of heaven resting upon you. Your affectionate Mother,
have you written to John or Harriette as you proposed } St. Whaley
I recommend you to do so with speed see time to serve at these times
The Prince of Whales is to visit my I hope to see him

to see him very sick and hope she will soon have any one thinks off, Thomas
he represents his father when a little boy if so, I would have to love him very much
I trust your father will set a proper government over his behavior in all respects
and lay a good foundation for his improvement as years progress that he may be a
prop to you as age advances now is the time if I only knew what I now do when
I first had to govern children I would have had different children but I must
not complain to much will you try to improve when in I was independent I am
pleased that he goes to Sunday school, hope he will continue to do so. I was not aware
that Mr Beck continued in jail I should say he had made sufficient things
how they high court sent servants here and just is I suppose you must be accustomed
they great price for my things but you are the best judge what to do only think the
but you have increased your family very double which is considerable for you and
only your own hands to work all this you know must prevent your saving
but you could send on now and then a visitation I know of some beautiful
lot of 900 per lot I still own the lot I took you to see, on by pond st, I want to sell it they
have erected high stone houses opposite for that reason did not build on it, I must be quick
I can see the room and see the sun set & the which gives me great pleasure I am glad
you have improved your condition by moving, you speak of my building I have been
waiting for you to return home to attend to the building, I am to busy Sam mean you
John says the things would steal at one end while I was fastening up at the other, if
I was to build after the place you have sent though it is quite commodious I must
say for a large family. I must say I feel very sorry for Mr L's neighbor, give them
my best respects to him, glad it is in your power to assist him & he might yet be long to
do I should say but they may succeed, John is prospering in business & pretty well
this warm weather with his family. me and, (Renee Regina), was visiting there
a few days ago then to Harriette so I am myself was home to rest, which has
pleasantly after being away for a few days or weeks home sweet home & my grand
grow finely I will send you their ages and names, John has four nice looking
children I can tell you I look more like his father than ever he frequently reminds
me of his departed parent, Thomas Mr Smith has bought a nice splendid
house stone front Marble Hall walnut floor no carpeting of beautiful
walls 4 stories 14 feet front of rooms deep first story it is a good affair I don't
tell you their son just 21, Mrs Smith daughter & son-in-law were here to dine
this week from Boston, he is a very agreeable gent, they Mr & Mrs Smith are off
I don't know any more

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They cannot be obtained for less than \$115.00 I shall return soon after
I have a lot on dear Pitt and I on in Bergen St. joining on B. Brooklyn
avenue 200 and odd feet, a nice property just the thing to build
after your plans, but you are away. A gent who has made a large
purchase of land up that way and owns opposite to one on B. avenue
called to see if I would join in joining and joining it with him
I was very careful how I consented and told I must consult my son
I went up to see him he told me to sign the papers after there was
a certain number of names I did so I presume it will cost me 200
at least though it will improve my property I do wish I could see a
nice house I saw one the other pretty good \$4000 - the agent said
he had sold it two weeks ago, cottage built I told a small stable all good
I felt disappointed I said I would not have taken it I did not look inside
the dwelling I think they have new plans out of Brooklyn. If so I will send you
I do not concern with you in improving B. way property Mr. Howell
John as it would not pay I will please, as you speak off are not wanted
as yet. The Central Park will be a most magnificent affair do hurry
home to see it two times you come, near 8 years elapsed since I left you
and may never see you again. God grant I may I often think of you and
the time you was in France, when I see some of the articles you brought home
I will have all your interesting letters, while in France for you I send a
curt of Jeremy Whaley hair to his sister Jennys. I hope you will say I have made
a full response to your letter I hope to have a rather gross to inform me of your
health and happiness. I have commended to collect together for Anna Bonella a doll
to day I not forget. If sorry I cannot when they will be with you I am dilatory this
warm weather of July says you must be mistaken to say your friend is president
of the new Telegraph Co. as it is not decided upon yet. Tell me next time
you could not be informed of your kindred's with respect to influence you
might use to favour him with respect to the line. John has been to tea with
me this afternoon is pretty well very busy in business, sends love to you and family
my letter looks rudely written, it may interest you till I what I write about him
has he dark eyes I hope he had I feel pretty well to day July 30 - write soon
I may be tardy next I must now close with love to you and family
may the blessing of heaven be with you all
Your affectionate Mother R. W. H. C. W.

Brookfield Sep 25/60

Miss Amelia Loring

My dear Young Lady

According to
Promise I write you these few lines, to inform
you that I am not well at present, as I have had
what they call in this place the burser of sores,
and my back has troubled me much at times, but
on the gaining hand at last, My dear Amelia
Your letter was duly received by me, and I
hope by the Goodness of God, that these few lines
will find you well and happy, I likewise hear of
Mrs Mauley, the same blessing, I have got some
trouble on hand at present, a law suite so I think
that it will detain me here for some time to
come, this new suit is on the ground of a house lot
that belongs to me, all the rest is all alright, You
say that you have not seen any one ~~as~~
prefer to me. that I can say truly often times
I think of the Star in the East, and when laying
sick with the fever. I thought of you, and thought
if you only was with me here, but the time will
soon pass that we will meet again, I will
write you soon and let you know when
intend to return, My dear Young Lady this all that
I have got to write you this time for long
eye pains me so that I can't see to write them

So I must close by wishing you a good Bye
for a short time

I still remain Yours Most Truly

William H. Howard

~~Paid Oct 20/80
Post received Palmer~~

Miss Amelia Tenney
San Francisco
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Dear Son, I have been thinking of writing to you for some time but have been so busy that I could not find time to do so. I have been thinking of writing to you for some time but have been so busy that I could not find time to do so.

I have spent some time with your mother and she is very happy, she has some news for you. I have spent some time with your mother and she is very happy, she has some news for you.

I trust you remembered your birth day as I did your communication regarding your sister came to hand. Bridget Murry, has been to see me twice she has written to her sister in Gal and expects an answer to the letter see she will be ready to leave which will be in February, as she consent to go wishes me to hold the draft for her untill that time she appears to be a good girl, is still living with Mr Johnson who your brother knows, therefore I had but little difficulty to discover her abode Mrs F considers her a very worthy girl. I should I will comply with your request to send something for the little ones, by Mr Murry - to amuse the children - I think you ought to have informed me ~~me~~ if your letter is boy or girl, I was greatly surprised that you did not say if you had received an answer to your last letter which I have done long ago, but you must do better next time, room for improvement. I hope you all enjoy good health, as that is the greatest blessing, we are all pretty well children grow finely. Stereoscope, is the name of an instrument to look through at pictures, possibly you have them in San F - I would like to send one for you you can inform us if it would be a great novelty -

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I saw Mrs Clark a few weeks since she is pretty well says James
is out of business, they live with her - I presume she has her own
trouble by what she says, she inquired about you, I told her you
was doing comfortable. Well we have had the Prince of Wales to
visit our States, it has caused great excitement in city. I have not seen
him so far, as it is all crowds, boats full, which I do not care to
get in, such a crowd, he is a fine looking fellow by his Photograph
I intend to send you my likeness as many more as I can
I hope to have yours soon. I was very happy to hear that Henry
was ~~and~~ in good business, but what is his business
I write you that I had written to Franklin of San D - as I then
at that time, for Henry's address to which I never received an answer
untill two weeks since Mr F - wrote me a very polite letter
from Baltimore where he had settled in business, saying his agent
in San Diego, had received his letter and mailed it to him. I was
pained to my very heart, when I read it, he reproached Henry with
the greatest ingratitude & says I felt weak all over me, I can tell
you, as I had seen a letter from F to H, wife, which induced
to believe he was very kind to H, how can he forget such very
great kindness and what could be the cause, I say it must
be ~~Henry's~~ wife's return, do tell me if you know any thing
the season. Mersey knows I wish you had never sent for him
though I know you had his well at heart it has cost me many
it is a sad affair all together I would write to H, but I dare not
his wife may storm at him unwarrantable therefore I must re-
main silent but I would like to talk with him about it
am very sorry to hear him spoken off in such terms how can he
expect an act of kindness to be bestowed on him if he was
in need. what unhappy reflections to prevail the

Mr. & Mrs. ...
Brooklyn Oct 20 1850

My Dear Love
I am all inquiring when opportunity offers
of baby my dear little Rachel who has been sick with
teething all summer a few days ago was taken with
poor little dear, I fear she cannot endure but a short while
longer, my dear I am sorry to part with her only 18 months old
but very interesting a great pet with John what trouble I do
have, but I must submit, all I care. I hope and trust you
will soon get better, as you appear to think you will get
grant it my dear son, now it is that I feel your absence
I wish I could only help to attend in your illness all I am
able to do all I desire in this world to do for you I wish I could
come to see you in fact very bad indeed about you
I can tell you I am very much troubled and very
I am glad and happy that you manifest such kind
feelings towards your brother but I would not have been

Brooklyn Oct 20 1860

My Dear Son I have your letter of the 19th of Sept. and am glad to hear from you and that you are well.

My Dear Son I have your letter of the 19th of Sept. and am glad to hear from you and that you are well.

Your letter of the 19th of Sept. has been duly received.

Yours of the following day likewise I am all any city on your account how could you let any thing prevent you from applying to medical aid if you was aware of the

danger of the disease you are a man a son you need not mind or what is a female to do under all circumstances I am all inquiring when opportunity offered

of baby my dear little Rachel who has been sick with nothing all summer a few days ago was taken with a poor little dear, I fear she cannot endure but a short while longer, Amy I am sorry to part with her only 18 months old but very interesting a great pet with John what trouble I do

have, but I must submit, all I care. I hope and trust you will soon get better, as you appear to think you will God grant it my dear son, now it is that I feel your absence

I wish I could only help to attend in your illness all I am able, tis all I desire in this world to do for you I wish I could come to see you in fact very bad indeed about you

Can tell you I have your letter with yours was seen at hand I am glad and happy that you manifest such kind feelings towards your brother but I would not have let

me know of it if I had not seen it in your letter I am glad and happy that you manifest such kind feelings towards your brother but I would not have let

Mr. Mouldenbury first about a month ago I felt for her safety
I and off started her removal to Greenwood with many others has
left & long's amongst 14 all from her but good friends will do well

My son have gone to the War you understand me, but he is out by
eye, besides, he is in the Reservable Employ, now he is looking for the
government, therefore my mind has been rather at ease than they
have not drafted, in Brooklyn, on 24th ^{to far} I should have written
you this, but baby illness prevented we only secured the information
the day she was taken ill a very few days or even hours may terminate
her existence from little sufferer. Harriette eldest son is ill with

Bronchitis he is pretty comfortable keeps his bed I say
great care is required for his recovery he is a nice boy indeed I trust he
will soon get well, she has been very fortunate with little ones so
I hope we shall hear from you every soon I am glad
that you are prospering so well in your business affairs, I hope you will
not do any thing to prolong your disease, what would I care for
any thing but comfort that is your greatest consideration, I should
think then you must feel very bad, though you write pretty cheer
considering your difficulty I do not wonder you wish to be economical
but you have historically been as much so as you might, or you could
have had sufficient to return home to us all, had you firmly de-
cided it as I do, but this is one of my deprivations which I appreciate
with depressed feelings, I will write to Flora wife sister soon as they
had not hear from him in some time, he thinks but little of me
I know you remark that my children are not in possession of the
Harmony and good feelings that luxury ought to expect what is the
cause? then they do not imitate father or Mother that I will say
for a truth I know well I leave not taught to be unkind
to each other far from it. but you are all of age and would judge

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for yourself I know you will not be satisfied for me to decide for
... or the other, I would be partial in their estimation
... therefore I must not interfere as you are all alike to me
... I must say I would like to see more love and concern
... each other, when I, have devoted my full energy to you
... but elderly people people we not much care for
... therefore if they understand how they must take good care of
themselves as long as they can and have the means and good feel-
ings towards themselves. I am thankful that I have had the means
to do for my family as I have seen if they do not say they think
me still it is most pleasant to receive thanks from every body
as I am willing to say thank you for all favours received
that is my cord right on wrong. But what is the use of speaking to
persons of our age and infirmation. Tommy was pleased with
... I am glad that you decide to
... attend to it. and all will be satis-
... as I was sorry to see so displeas when he had done all
... but he appears to appreciate your good feelings. most
agreeable to me, as I write in a former letter not being weary
of well doing, I listened to the dictates of my conscience
... I do not permit ill feelings to enter my mind, so I depend
on my conscience to be correct. I'll the little I want to see them
the thing I wished to send I will do so by express I am vastly more
sorry on account of the likeness than any thing else I am writing by
... if it is not good excuse it. Aunt Annys wishes to be accom-
panied to you, and to hear of your soon being improved. in
your health she lives in J. House, Aunt B is pretty smart

John will write and enclose it with mine I will write
again soon say if you would be glad to see Mother & he look
rather older though more like father I would like you to return
with them if only for a visit. Thomas I hear that Stewed fruit of
all kinds are very debilitating, apple-pines, figs - tomatoes - pineapples
strawberries, grapes, Indian & Rat meal - squash all this is ^{expensive} to
the ^{body} do be careful to attend tell your wife all this so that
she can leave them ^{purpose} in due time when you come home too,
Medicine you will apply to your Physicians, you are well aware
that I wish to tell you all I know, and direct you for the best
to Seringe with the foreign ^{prophyl}, heads ^{stom}, no harm to ask
I hope by hope your sanguine ^{spittation} may be ^{prevented}
and long do write, very particular how you are coming along
I think day and night about you in fact one and all feel
an interest in your welfare I ^{can} assure you I shall
give all our kind remembrances to your family I am glad Thompson
Mother is living I would be pleased to see her my regards to Mrs J & Mr
Deersborough, glad to hear that they are in good health Mrs is Mr
and Mrs Day my respects to them I hope they are as well as they
desire
Love my dear ^{children} I will close
May the blessing of God attend you and family

Your affectionate Mother
R. Whaley

Brooklyn Dec 16th 1860

My Son Thomas.

It affords me infinite satisfaction to inform ^{you} that we are at this time in the enjoyment of good health at the close of the year. I trust it is well with you and family. Thomas the young girl who the draft was sent to was here yesterday says she has written two letters to her sister who lived with you, but receives no answers and called to see if I had heard any more from you concerning her sister, I told her I had not she appears at a loss what to do - as she is afraid some ill has happened to them, and wishes to hear from them before she embarks in Feb^y, let the next letter for her be directed to my care for her as there must be some reason why ~~that~~ she does not get her letters if her sister writes. I have had my Photograph taken for you, I may not succeed in getting it painted I think ^{you} will be pleased with it any how I hope the girl will go as I intend to send articles for the little ones, or I shall be very much disappointed she has lived 5 or 6 years with Mr Johnson ^{she} does not want the draft unless she goes I hope all will be right. Thomas I often see

about the house

many things that reminds me of you, that I should
like to give to your son, your pocket folio that you
traveled with, the wedden paper knife your letters
written to me while in France; that is if he would
rejuvenate them, as he ought to do, I would like to send
you a bid quilt which you partly made it too just as
you left it; I am afraid it would be too bulky for her
I will if I can. I since I began to write yours of November has
has come to hand. I am glad you sent any letter to ^{them} ~~her~~ urging
him to write I hope he will better beyond. It annoys you
sister for a while longer, that was the reason I supposed
that I inquired if boy or girl at all words I am glad it
has happened to you satisfaction and all is comfortable
may they continue to improve in it. I hope I shall see
brother & sister soon I want to send some things for the
little ones I know it will be all the better. I think I have will do
something of the kind also, I have brought some ~~things~~ ~~to~~ ~~bring~~
school and ~~to~~ ~~bring~~ ~~to~~ ~~bring~~ ~~to~~ ~~bring~~ ~~to~~ ~~bring~~ ~~to~~ ~~bring~~
the sister has quite a long for them to say "I have sent them
to me" So they see yours of 28th of June, and here so they pretty
kindly wants us all to come up to his house to dinner on child
on a day, I think we may go if time it has been a splendid
day to day, his work is dull at this time. What a time it
weathers abroad the southern states, drawing of. I think it will
may take a little longer to see it and traveling will not
cost him much, as he is a telegraph man.

I presume you are
a close we may have
but how much longer
will enjoy the help
ed to your family
married were that as
pretty soon. I think
and then. How it will
was in attendance
Bobee & Mrs. Watts
Ledyard wishes to
to Mrs. Day's I go
I could if Mrs. L.
remains a member
Charity. I would
new Buildings
Edgell, I must see
ate to Mrs. Day
they are doing a
some other years to
How now to do
instantly in business
I hope and fear
completely provided for
the money left

of you, that I should
keep your letters
that if he would
and would like to send
made it too just as
it be to bulky for her
the 10th of November to
my letter to her saying
you will be glad you
see the same I suppose
to write. I am glad it
is all in comfortable
I hope I shall see
and some things for the
I think I have will do
of the same old sticking
little comes, it is now
my friend and sent this
and here to say pretty
to use to divorce. on this
next it has been a plenty
times. What a time it
ring of. I think may be
as traveling will not
regard Mans.

I presume you are well and that I shall in a
a close we may live to see the new year ushered in
but how much longer I like can tell. I trust you
will enjoy the Holiday as you have another and
ad to your family. I hope your wife's sister is
married ere this as you wrote you expected ^{her} to be
pretty soon. Thomas I hope you think of us all now
and then. How is Mr Day's family please tell Mrs D. I
was in attendance at the Old Lady's Flower. Mrs
Robee & Mrs Watts sends great love to her, also Mrs
Ledyard wishes me to remember her most kindly
to Mrs Day, I gave them all the information
I could of Mrs Day's family Mrs Burrows still
remains a manager, Lucy has gone to the church
Charity Foundation, they have moved in their
new Buildings above Brooklyn. Conover as fine
I must say. I wish you would please communi-
cate to Mrs Day with my best respects. I suppose
they are doing a great business I think they have their
shop there years to finish making their pile but I don't
know how to do she is a very smart woman to judge
husband in business. I hope to see you in your next
of your health and happiness of all your family
I hope and pray that from in all places will be
simply provided for in cold weather if you wish
the misery begins I think it is great provision

