1854

Family Correspondense

Jan, Mar, Apr, May, Jun, July, Sept,

Oct, Nov, Dec.

JAN

1854

[illegible] Calif.
[illegible] 1854

[illegible] I have done
[illegible] money but can
send only [illegible]
I have paid [illegible] — Derby's Barley
bill over $100.00, over $200.00 Deposited down,
— Poole has paid me $156.00 Clarke says he
will send an order by Derby for one or two
hundred more, perhaps $300.00. says Derby
has no money here. He rather intimated to
me that as he [illegible] to be gone away
much of the time [illegible] his wife would
[illegible] that he should
[illegible] furniture but
[illegible] furniture,
[illegible] Poole goes up
tomorrow, say [illegible] you money in
[illegible] he has money [illegible]
send you [illegible] says What is
it worth refining [illegible] Bella get it Jones
don't think it [illegible] inside

Thomas [illegible] commission to purchase
a Suggy [illegible] $150.00 and if so it should
take $50 [illegible] Thomas it
Gilbertson [illegible] Thos. [illegible]
show you [illegible] is [illegible]
will be a [illegible] Gilbertson
Rio Hedge [illegible] San F. [illegible] ager
to some [illegible] never drinks, tho is
rious, [illegible] Speaks a good
a Yankee [illegible]
words to Raymond [illegible]
The Jobe [illegible] came
Jenlore [illegible] on Saty for Poole for $1000.00
[illegible] he can do no more.

E. W. Morse

I send $ 178.00 in all $150.00 is tons
I paid per [illegible] freight $28.00
Coots, [illegible] Hays, Lewis, Doty
Don Santiago [illegible]

Bottle Corks
Sarsaparilla
Sardines smaller
Potatoes
Macaroni & Vermicelli
Saleratus
Preserved Ginger
Assorted pie fruit (not preserves) ($5 per doz)

Mentha Tablets unlabeled.
Palm Leaf Hats (they always sell to Indians,
Razor Strops
Curtain Stuff (Tassel is gone, no yellow sold,
White linen Table cloths
Hand Saw Vises
Carpenters Rules
Compasses
Tenon Squares
Rubber
Carpenters Oil feeders
Saws
Flashing
Cigar Paper
Butt Hinges
Measures (Tin)
Work Benches
Thimbles (best)
Washboards
Butter Ladles
Coat Hooks
Corkscrews caps, paper boxes
Brex Fire Steels (labones)

Powder Flasks
Diamond [illegible]
Lamp [illegible]
do & [illegible]
[illegible] Leads
[illegible] 1 [illegible]
[illegible] mast
[illegible]
Shingle [illegible]
Vinegar
Nails powder
& lot of 5 gal. [illegible] quarterts. to sell

House
~~[illegible]~~ opener
Custard Cups
Clocks (other sold to Rose $20.00)
50 or 6 lbs Cotton Wadding (for my wife)

San Diego January 5th 1854.

My dear Husband

I have this moment received your letter of the 31st and am sadly disappointed to think that you did not come by this Steamer had I known when you spoke of leaving me that you intended to stay away from me a whole month, nothing in the world would have induced me to let you go without me. You promised to return in two weeks and I have tried to feel as contented as I possibly could until the Steamer arrived, and it has arrived, I watched for you until I received your letter and then you may imagine how I felt. I am so choked up with tears that I can scarcely tell what I am writing, if it were not for so many around me I should burst out crying. I shall have to cry it out, and I know there will be no sleep for me to night.

you should have told me that you intended to be absent a month and then all would have been right. Now shall never leave me again I can assure you. You hope I am enjoying myself, what enjoyment can there be for me when you are absent. Mr Derby has made time pass rather agreeably since his return and he is the only one I can thank for the little amusement which I have had. But he leaves today and I shall be as lonespirited as ever. I am glad to think that you have arrived safely and that you have had a pleasant trip. But I hope the one home will be much pleasanter. There is nothing new going on here, everything is as you left. The same dull place, and now appears more as dull since you have left it. Oh how I wish I could take things as they come and then I should not feel so heavy hearted. I must soon cease writing for the tears are forcing themselves out and I can barely see. I thank you very much dearest for your presents and will prize them very highly. I have not yet seen them. I hope you will succeed in selling your

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proper, I said then return to me immediately
Here, Mr. Wilson, I do not balance
more, for time passes very slowly until
me and know it will appear an age
to make up for your return. You had
Margie in not telling me you intended
to start away so long. Mother tries
Harvest I shall have to manage
this long weeks now and I dare
very well, and without much help. Can
make bread, cake, and pies and
puddings without any
one. Only may do all
every short time
either of them
as pies

Thomas Whaley Esq.
San Francisco
Cal.

Relative of Lieutenant Derby.

Mr. Thomas Whaley
San Diego
California

Brooklyn Jany 15th 1854

Dear Son.

Your letter dated Nov 30th lies before me which gave me great satisfaction though I was compelled to wait a fortnight beyond my expectation to hear of your safe arrival in San Fr, which I was happy to hear that you had such agreeable passage as you consider it long which must have been pleasant I was pleased to meet with Mrs Brine who I trust you gave my kind remembrances, Mr Hyatt is doing a good business I understand — Thomas should say the Gents will feel most grate to you for the trouble and attention you have paid their wives but some people have but litte gratitude after they have had their ends served I hope you will be pleased with your house keeping as you anticipate Thomas you write that you are again, amongst friends who seeming cannot do to much for you I hope & trust you did not require them on the same occasion as you did in Cl Yon or I am dubious to say that you would have found them not seeming willing a — Friend in need is a friend indeed I must say I think John was very kind to you I was glad to see it — as to your Aunts conduct you had it to effect if she chose to inflict, as you placed yourself in her power, with others, those who were mild towards you are deserving of your respect I cannot but resent her unkindness to us both I cannot but resent it though I as I always said you ought to have acted different

but never mind, you will soon overcome all difficulty
and be free from them all, which is a great comfort to me
but, do not connect all to gether as that I cannot
allow I am pleased to hear that your business was
was conducted in good order while you was absent in cy.
I trust you will make a file, one of these days
I am glad to hear that you feel renewed in mind and
body, as I was much grieved at your worn appearance
when I bade you the last adieu as I told your brother
John; I thank you for your kind wishes with respect
to my happiness all I ask is kind treatment from
any one that or none at all as I am willing to compen
at all times I hope and pray you will take good care of
yourself as you are a worthy man you full well know
I will not let any one find fault with my children
as I think they are pretty good therefore they must not
allow any one to complain of me, there Mother last
parent, and very true friend, indeed for what would
not a mother do for a child in distress but I need not
tell you a word of this who has experienced all I write
My dear child I will revert to yours of Decr 16 1853
San Diego which has come safe to hand to cheer my
anxious mind I do not wonder you feel happy
to return to your place of business and where you
have formed your associations all things appear
the most pleasant to me as you are well satis
fied I heartily hope all will continue no evils creep
ing in which life is beset with but we must hope
for the best as you have toiled hard to procure the

many blessing you now enjoy I would be best to have the house near the store the Ladies may well be pleased to be under the protection of their husbands The draft came safe West, is paid $250-00 I received my note gave yours to West I wished West to see what they would take for their notes Kife offered to throw of $10 and interest, I told W. it was not enough but, to see Mrs Kife, and try for $20. as they had been so very hard, but W. said, it was best to be settled and as he was going up on his own business, it was a good opportunity for him to attend to it, my knowing you would be satisfied with what West said was best to settle all things shall be attended as you desire I will inform Mr Smith of your intentions I wish you to be informed of all particulars Jan, 19th I would have been to West see this but we have had a snow storm and West was to go last week therefore must depend calling as long as I could as he may not have seen all the parties you had better send the amount of Smiths note, as no doubt W. will pay Kife and Ft notes as far as the money on hand will go & then all will be willing to receive their Cash. For my part I shall be very thankful for you and myself likewise as it has caused much trouble and excitement. I would rather have had more pleasant occurences. I hope you will have a safe passage to and fro to Sant Fe making each crown a pound as I feel the greatest solicitude for your future success write soon again as nought must make you forget your kind Mother who has granted you so many indulgences I do not feel greatly affraid of it, at this time We are all well thank God at present Harriet has come on to pay us a holliday Do Direct my letters to Brooklyn P. office I do not wish Mr W. to know there

Nott, she joins me in wishing you a very merry Christmas
and a happy New year may you live to see many as your
Mother wishes my dear son little Harriet yours dearly with
rest of her cousins who are nice little dears Thomas I hope
to see you again one of these days all joy and comfort
which would be some compensation to me for the trouble
we had while you was here but that has passed away
bright prospects in view I shall have the pleasure to give
some of your friends your remembrance in a few days which
is a pleasure for me to do. ——— I'd was not afraid of Cous
I would pay Ellen a visit this winter. Thomas while
I have been writing Mrs Beane has called to tell me that your
Uncle Wm has breathed his last this morning poor man
he has lived a long while beyond our expectations
he is to be taken to Newark interred in your Grandfathers
burying spot I must close as I do not feel like writing
more May God bless and protect us all is the wish of your
Mother R. Wheley

Newyork le 17. Janvier 1854.

Ma chère enfant.

Enfin! une lettre depuis trois mois que tu as quitté N.Y. il était temps car mon inquiétude était à son comble. et lorsque Dacard et sa femme sont venus un soir me dire qu'ils avaient reçu une lettre de ton mari oh! me suis-je écrié Anna est malade! non, a dit Clara, elle se porte bien. et elle ne m'écrit pas? n'as tu pas encore reçu de ses nouvelles? non, voilà trois longs mois qu'elle est partie et elle ne m'a pas encore écrit. enfin, le lendemain Mlle Brice m'envoye ta lettre. elle était tems, je sentais que je ne pouvais plus y tenir! Anna! ma chère enfant, aies égard à mon âge, à ma faible santé à ma triste position et ne néglige rien de ce qui pourrait réjouir le cœur de ta pauvre mère. si tu savais le bien que ta lettre m'a fait! l'était comme un baume calmant! surtout lorsqu'après l'avoir lue, j'ai pu dire que ta santé était améliorée et que ton mari te rend si heureuse et que le climat est si doux! tu vas prendre des forces et ta santé sera tout à fait rétablie quand

tu reviendras près de nous. Oh! Chère Anna que nous sommes toutes là haut à notre gém et que nous avons besoin que notre Anna nous donne de ses nouvelles pour abréger le temps Peter a fait une maladie il lui est arrivé un accident où il travaille ce qui lui a donné la fièvre intermittente ~~intestinale~~ pendant plus d'un mois il n'a pu travailler, il est encore bien faible et de tems en tems il a le genou enflé ou la hanche lui fait mal il est toujours chez Underhill mais sa santé me donne beaucoup d'inquiétude et puis, nos affaires ne sont pas brillantes cet hiver; si nous avions pu déménager et prendre un logement plus convenable nous aurions eu une bonne classe chez-nous. au lieu que nous n'avons personne, ni les Burrows, ni les Vanderhoop ni les Pobkemes heureusement que Miss Henderson a fait venir à Amélie les deux petites de Mrs Hoyt (Dejean) la petite de Mrs Hoyt (Sœur de Mrs Lounds). et la petite de Mrs Henry Livingston (même famille) - elle va leur donner leurs leçons tous les jours. Mrs Burrows est logée à St Dennis Hotel elle garde des enfants à la maison cet hiver elle compte aller demeurer à la campagne bientôt. ils sont revenus d'Europe le 1er Nov. Amélie est restée avec eux encore quelques semaines, mais Mrs B. voulait

une Bonne d'enfants. Amélie a reçu ta lettre
la veille du jour qu'elle a quitté Paris, elle
attend une lettre de toi bientôt alors elle
t'écrira. Nous avons Amélie et moi donné
de nos cheveux à Daniel qui devait en faire
un bracelet pour toi, mais il n'a pas réussi
à le faire aussi bien qu'il aurait voulu
j'en suis fachée car j'avais l'occasion de te
l'envoyer par un Monsieur de la Connaissance
du Dr Fomy et de ton Mari qui doit partir
le 20. et qui doit se charger de cette lettre
ce sera pour une autre fois. J'attends une lettre
de toi ma chère enfant par tous les Mails
comme tu me le promets dans ta lettre.

Il est fachen que les femmes ne puissent
s'accorder, mais en tout temps, cela a été de
même ainsi il ne faut pas s'en chagriner:
ton Mari te rend heureuse cela suffit je n'ai
pas d'inquiétude là dessus et je sais que tu feras
tout ton possible pour lui prouver ta reconnais-
sance. Mais ne néglige pas de nous donner
de tes nouvelles nous attendons toujours avec
impatience que ~~[illegible]~~ il dise
vrai comme nous ouvrons la fenêtre lorsqu'
il y a un extra pour écouter si c'est de
la California. Enfin ma chère Anna nous
t'embrassons tous de tout coeur ainsi que
ton Mari. Oh Combien je désire que tu revienne

bientôt. Il me semble quand je suis seule que tu vas ouvrir la porte et que je vais te revoir. Oh! Anna le jour que tu m'as quitté il me semble que j'entends encore Good bye Mother j'ai cru que l'on m'arrachait le cœur. C'était pire que la mort pour moi je n'ai rien à faire je n'ai pas d'élève je ne vous prie qui plus je n'ai été malade part j'aime à être seule avec mes pensées alors je bâtis des chateaux dans les airs il me semble que je te vois dans ton ménage avec ton Mari et bientôt un petit Enfant qui un jour si Dieu le veut m'appellera Grand-maman je rêve souvent que tu es revenue enfin je ne cesse de penser à toi ainsi que ton frère et ta Soeur qui te désire beaucoup de bonheur et surtout une bonne Santé Amélie a eu bien du chagrin de ne l'avoir pas vu avant ton départ et lorsqu'elle reçu ta lettre à Paris elle a tant pleuré que Mr B. Grognis. J'étais [illegible]. C'est un hiver bien triste pour elle la pauvre Amélie Encore une fois Adieu

Ton Père affectionné

V. E. Lannay.

Ecrit toujours à la même adresse, il n'est pas probable que nous déménagions avant le mois de Mai —

MARCH

1854

Washington March 2nd 1854

Brother Thomas

I received your from Walter yesterday which informs me of your kind & generous offer. I must say that I was some what disappointed to think that such good luck was in store for me from your hands. In the first place you wish to know if I will come I will do so most cheerfully as I think it is the best thing I could do for my self & family as Rufinus has fallen of here my much respected generally complains much. I have not made my expenses since I left New York; I think I could command about $800-00 after paying all my liabilities which is some little It might be a little more according how things sell and perhaps not quite so much. This is a very small amount for one like me to start on such a journey. I have been looking here for some time to a very little purpose. However I am in hopes to do something yet with your assistance. You speak of the Old Junk business I think I could do well at it as I have a knowledge of it & know the different markets to dispose of it. You have been there some time and have had a chance to know the country and know what I could do there. I would not like to come & run the risk of losing your money unless the chances are favourable to me. but for my part I am willing to give it a fair trial, and make every effort to make money. as I would have to sacrifice all I have got to go, when you write inform me if it would be better to send any household article & more in fact any information that would be of any benefit to me whatever. do not fail to give

I donot think I should like to come as you propose by a vessel, as I think there is more danger by the Horn than by the Route that you took. Annie thinks that she would not like to go that way. however this can be very easily fixed, when we get ready to start. I am told that the passage has got down to $180.00 this is much less than when you went. The most trouble to encounter on the journey would be to cross the Isthmus with ~~the~~ the children. you can give me all information about this, also the route that you took on your return. you can advise me which route would be the best of the two. Should you want me to make you any purchases or to attend to any business let me know and I will do it cheerfully I should think that some things might be bought to sell at a good advance. This you must be the judge of, as you are acquainted with the markets. I shall make my calculations and arrangements to come as soon as you send for me. so you can write & let me know what it be down. my stock in the store is low at present & shall keep it so, as I am determined to leave this city for some other place. Annie Fallon is going to St Louis in the spring I have some idea of going with him but have a hard course to steer since I have been from home. do not fail to give me all particulars & give me all information as soon as possible. I am glad indeed to hear that your Wifes health is so much improved and may it continue to do so. Annie wishes to be remembered to them & you also. Accept my best wishes with your wife for your health & prosperity

and believe me your Brother

[illegible]

Newyork le 6 Mars 1854.

Ma chère enfant,

Enfin la seconde lettre m'est parvenue aujourd'hui; il était grand temps je t'assure car mon inquiétude était au comble. Oh! chère Anna que de peines nous avons eu depuis ton départ! C'est bien l'hiver le plus sévère que j'aie eu à passer depuis longtemps; quoique ton absence me cause bien du chagrin, je me console en pensant que tu as échappé à une saison aussi rigoureuse. Ton pauvre frère a fait trois maladies et moi je suis une semaine bien dans un mois. La Sœur seule tient bon. elle a bien du courage la pauvre Amélie; elle a trois leçons à donner au dehors; deux le matin, et une le soir je suis étonnée qu'elle ait pu y tenir tout l'hiver par le temps qu'il a fait et les privations &c. Mais Dieu merci elle se porte bien le Voyage en Europe lui a fait beaucoup de bien et je bénis le ciel que mon autre fille Anna jouisse aussi d'une meilleure Santé C'est ce qui me inquiétait le plus sur ton compte. Je craignais que tu ne fusse malade aussi, la lettre m'a bien tranquillisé l'esprit patience chère Anna, supporte toutes les contrariétés le mieux que tu pourras

surtout ne te chagrine point de ce que tu ne
sais pas faire les Puddings et les Pies tu
sais bien les manger cela suffit; que celles qui
savent les faire les fassent. et que ceux qui
les aiment les mangent. Je suis cependant
bien aise que tu te sois faite une amie de
Mrs Morse. sa conduite envers toi, prouve qu'
elle a un bon coeur. présente lui mes respects
et dis-lui que je suis bien reconnaissante des
complaisances qu'elle a pour toi. Oui! chère Anna
tu dois être bien triste surtout quand ton mari
est absent mais pense à nous, dans une grande
ville, nous ne voyons personne excepté Daniel
qui vient tous les Dimanches et son frère
quelque fois les Saunders. Aussi, la Soeur
a passé un hiver bien triste. tant qu'à moi
la tranquillité me convient. mais je voudrais
bien voir ma pauvre Amélie plus heureuse
et Peter mieux portant. Enfin à la grâce
de Dieu - tu parles de ton climat si doux
nous voilà au mois de Mars et il fait encore
bien froid. nous avons eu de grands froids
et beaucoup de neige cet hiver les provisions
ont été, et sont encore à un prix exorbitant
la farine s'est vendue jusqu'à douze dollars
et demis le Baril. le charbon aussi a
été très cher, le croirais-tu, nous n'avons
pas pu nous acheter une tonne de charbon
nous avons été obligés de l'acheter au Boisseau

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Enfin, nous n'avons rencontré un hiver si difficile à passer. Je n'ai rien fait cet hiver, je n'avais pas une ~~[illegible]~~ convenable pour recevoir les dames. Il m'a donc que ta sœur et Peter qui sont venus m'apporter la marmelade. Mais il faut que je finisse pour laisser de la place à Hector. Peter est allé à l'ouvrage. Il a changé Arthur de série pour lui faire du chemin. Mon cher Dieu veuille te conserver ta bonne santé afin que je ton Marie et que tout nous fasse la grâce de nous revoir un jour. Je sens le cœur le plus heureux de ma vie. Adieu chères enfants je t'embrasse de tout mon cœur ainsi que ton Marie.

Dis moi dans ta prochaine, ta mère a-t-elle trouvé si elle a encore, je t'en ai une belle au marché.

Adieu cher frère

O. Lacinay.

Thanks very much to have a letter from you as we have received none from you since you left us. I am in New York again and very glad of it although we had a very pleasant journey. We left Paris on the eight of October and embarked on board the Pretoria the 14th having rather a rough voyage but at the end of eleven days we found ourselves in New York. We rather went down for about four days. I was extremely sorry to find you gone but it could not be helped. Anyhow I write to you but the letter will not reach you until you get to Paris. Mamma wrote to her without fail as the will be

spended with you and Sally Vandenhoff says the same
that you must write to them soon or they will be offended
they always speak of you when I see them which shows
that they have not forgotten you to that you must not
forget them Cornelia was very sorry to find you gone when
we returned to New York as to the rest of our friends
we have not seen for as doing as we do in the third
story as they are unable to have fun as they have
here as we used to if we had a parlour here they
could come and enjoy themselves we would have
such friends are not worth
having you ought to know what I am doing to help
along I am doing all I can I have four pupils which
are not much but little hard times Pa's con being
sick and the rents everlasting still it brings
in enough to pay the rent and that is all.
Pa thinks that Peter cannot make out
as well in Boston as he did here Ma and Polly together and that is all.
Polhemus, Leonora Polhemus always speaks
of you you ought to write to her she would have returned
to school with us if we had a valuable slave to receive
the rest of them Mrs Barnes sent for
let me know if you have one I wish we
such a beautiful climate I should very
to see San diego give my respects to
and tell him that I hope he will
soon as I should like to see you both
Peter is very glad to hear that your health has

New York le 24 Mars 1854.

Chère Anna.

Ta dernière m'est parvenue la semaine dernière. J'étais malade au lit lorsque Amélie est montée à ma chambre me la lire. Je suis bien aise d'apprendre que ta santé est améliorée et que tu es si comfortable et si contente de ton sort. La santé était la seule chose qui m'inquiétait sur ton compte. Oh que je remercie la providence de t'avoir fait échappé à un hiver aussi rigoureux que celui que nous venons de passer. Oui! c'est bien heureux! Nous avons souffert, je t'assure! Je ne me rappelle pas avoir passé un hiver aussi dur que celui-ci. Le pauvre Peter a fait trois maladies et moi, rien à faire et malade la ~~plus~~ plupart du temps. Nous n'avons eu aucune des Elèves que nous avions l'hiver dernier. Amélie a eu quatre Elèves voilà tout, elle vient d'en perdre deux et au mois de Mai il ne lui en restera plus; elle a montré bien du courage cet hiver elle s'est dévouée tout à fait à ses devoirs elle n'a pris aucun plaisir, tout ce qu'elle a eu, c'est de la fatigue et des privations. Peter aussi a été bien assidu

à son travail enfin il n'y a que moi qui n'ai rien fait et cela me tue.

Je suis fachée de te donner de si tristes nouvelles mais à qui puis-je conter mes peines si ce n'est à ma fille elle seule, saura les comprendre. Tu veux que je te parle de Newyork: tout ce que j'en vois, c'est de ma fenêtre je ne sors point: mais ce que je sais très bien, c'est que nous voilà en Avril et qu'il fait encore très froid! le mois dernier a été terrible. O! oui chère Anna, le climat de San Diego doit te sembler bien doux, comme du duvet, malgré le chagrin d'être séparée de ma fille chérie je remercie le Ciel que tu ne sois plus dans un climat si mauvais. Dans tout ton bonheur n'oublie cependant pas, que tu as eu quelques moments heureux aussi auprès de ta mère; ces petits rayons de bonheur en famille sont bien doux chère Anna; pas un de ces rayons m'a lui chez nous depuis que notre Anna n'est plus parmi nous, nous n'avons plus que des nuages bien noirs amoncelés sur notre tête.

Ma chère fille crois tu que nous nous reverrons jamais? dis-moi? trois ans! c'est bien long! il n'y a pas encore un an que tu es partie! Voilà! j'ai perdu les deux enfants sur lesquels je comptais pour

supporter ma vieillesse et ce sont les deux plus faibles en moyens qui travaillent et qui, probablement me fermeront les yeux hélas! Mes pauvres yeux à peine ai je bien pour t'écrire. Mais que la volonté de Dieu soit faite. — Adieu ma fille je n'aurais pas dû t'écrire j'ai encore l'esprit abattu par les souffrances de la semaine dernière et le cœur bien triste. Je t'embrasse Oh! oui je t'embrasse dans mon cœur ainsi que ton Mari.

Ta Mère.

V. E. Lannay.

P. S. Mes respects à Mrs Morse.
Je t'envoie le Journal. écris toujours à la même adresse

Dear, Sister

I wrote to you in one of Mothers letters it seems that you have not recived any from us we have written to you three times I hope that they have not been mislaid We are all very glad to hear that you enjoy such good health and that you are happy I only wish that I was there to enjoy the beautiful climate as I can assure you that I am tired of New York. you ought to be glad that you are in such a climate where you can breath fresh air a thing which we New Yorkers cannot do. Mother has been sick most all the time that I have

been home she has just had a fit of sickness but she is better now.) Fortunately I am never sick which I consider a blessing for me. You wish to know how we are getting along I wish that I could write a more satisfactory account to you. at present I have but little to do as you know that those rich people leave the city so early I have but two scholars at present one of them will soon leave the city, I must try and find something to do for this summer I did expect to go to Tivolli with a Mrs Depeyster but was disappointed, as to our friends they do not trouble us they can stay where they are the only ones that come to us are Daniel and his brother and the Graham's, since you have left home I have seen Legay but once, but it makes no difference to me in the least they can stay were they are, Do not forget to write to Cornelia Barrows and the Vanderhoofs as they expect a letter from you do not disappoint them I gave you an account of my voyage and that I enjoyed myself very much give my love to Mr. Whaley, tell him that I hope that he will bring you home soon. Peter sends his love to you he says that he misses you very much indeed I must close my letter by bidding you adieu hoping to hear from you soon, And believe me ever, your affectionate sister

Amelia

Brookfield March 5th 1854

My Dear Son Thomas,

I received yesterday a letter from your Brother Henry, and one to enclose to you informing you that he is willing to accept of your kind offer. I sent your letter on for his perusal & I should prefer his coming to you to his going to St Louis but, I am at a loss to advise for the best — You will read and approve of all he says. I think Hen, is calculated for bus with your aid. he appears to value your kind and generous offer highly, at the same time fearful to encroach on your goodness, it will be a source of comfort to you to aid your brother and not injure yourself. I shall feel very bad to see them go but not so much as when you first departed. Henry wants me to pack up and come to Washington I would at once only I fear travelling in the Cars, I will try to make up my mind to do so when Sister returns she is to remain until Wm has completed all his transfers as he has been absent from B a great part of the time she has been here, he was on about 3 weeks since baby grows finely is as cunning as a fox fond of her nice grandma. I wrote you a long letter on the 20th ult

which I trust will be satisfactory to you — of Jan 14th
Mr West told me he has sent on your three notes — Mr
Smith was pleased with your promptness, I hope you
will agree to pay the interest, or let me as I am grateful
for their gentleman treatment to you and me It is only $72
or three dollars as you have paid it a month sooner than the
note specified do not deny me my request in one way or other
and you will never repent the manly act — I may get a
letter in a day or two from your Aunt this will be gone
as it is the 5th inst today sunday the Mail Steamer sail
to morrow but my Sister will write on the 20th inst as the Mail
has not come to hand — Last week, Mrs Montgomery
made up her mind to go to Galt — Mr M I wonder she
does not but she begins to relax. Thomas in one of the
papers I read recorded the death of a Mr Scanlan at Lake
Sings, I supposed it might be the person that was in your store —
I should like a shawl one for me and one for Sister
not a very heavy border a large flower in each corner
all white I saw a very nice one for $20 — fine texture
let them be good — Mr West paid all on Kindoff but
$22,98 cents I would have been perfectly willing to have
paid this sum but I gave Mrs Kipp a note for $.90, which
she placed in my hands for a year at 5 per cent I paid it
to Mr Day it is due to the first of april, so that must be
paid, I told Mr West how I was placed I thought he might
offer seeing you was so prompt but he did not I asked
John if he could assist me but his man has not paid us
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how I am situated I hope and trust you are in good health and prospering as when you last wrote as you little know how truly I hope for your future success on all occasions. as I am well convinced of your goodness of disposition, in your kind offer to your brother Henry, I think John can do as he has his cost free and what he can make out of the out buildings which helps a little, then his income is $2 per day I must run up soon and tell him of Henry desition, I hope he will approve of it, why not — I tell you what if Ann joins you I think you will be able to pay us a visit the sooner and take some comfort your grandfather is valuable. Mary still remains on the property I suppose she will I wrote word that Wm was dead in one of my last letters yes he has gone to try the realities of another world.

Thomas, I hope you had a pleasant return to San D. did you tell Mr Montgomery about you being all Mr M — to be, and about his little family how fast they grow I wonder he does not want he largest son your Sister says I think Thomas is to be a rich man yet so it appears if he only takes good care of his cash — as he may have a family one of these days as well as others to provide for the ladies here say Harriet baby looks like her Uncle Thomas I wish you could see try to get up

while I am writing to you she pretty lively
I am to see the carpenter this week about
the house building so do not think I have given
it up you say you remember seeing in Brooklyn
that it was as the Bee says to run
from Fulton Ferry a way up Fulton Avenue
a good way I think you would buy a place
or two The weather is fine to day for spring
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home you enjoy, well how shall I feel when I have
to children in-law I cannot realize it yet.
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Mother S. Whaley

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U.S.S. Portsmouth.
Thursday. March 30th/54.

Dear Sir,

If Yourself and Wife, with any of your friends can make it convenient to visit our ship tomorrow we will be delighted to see you. Any time between ten, and Eleven O.clock our boats will be in readiness to convey you from the Plaza to the

San Francisco March 17/54

Mr Whaley

Dear Sir I find on enquiry from Mr Perkins & others that the State has refused for some time past, to receive any money for the Lots on Union point. It seems that there are some new hands at work, and they now positively refuse to relinquish their right in the manner they formally did by taking one third of the original cost, they now claim the whole land as far up as the Mission creek, many of the parties coming to us have joined together and engaged Law Pattant to defend them against the State, Mr Perkins has put you down for $100 & some have subscribed $500 towards the case, I did not accede to the amount telling him I could not do so without instructions from yourself, some of the heaviest merchants in town are interested in those lots, and will fight the State for their title, a case will be tried on a fifty vara lot, as soon as the fillibusters trial now going on is through will be decided, on the decision of which lot, will decide the right of the State or the owners from the Peter Smith Sale to

the property, it is impossible to sell real estate for any price, but it is the opinion of some holders that it will revive again in two or three months, I see by the San Diego Herald that yourself & Morse have dissolved partnership out on reading the advertisement through, I judge it is done for a business policy to stir up delinquent and long winded debtors. I notice by the San Diego marks on freight that your new population is on the increase,

the folks that I rented my house to when you were up here, have assumed the ownership of it now in consideration of having paid two month rent as per lease, when I went to collect the third months rent they refused to pay any more and told me that they would occupy the house as long as they liked and would not pay any rent and defied me to get them out of the house, in fact they have actually squatted on my new house and for a time will hold it, I have given the old Lady an injection in ten days I think it will work her off, with a little assistance of the Sheriff

Yours &c W E Reimore

APRIL

1854

Brooklyn April 15th 1857

Dear Son

To my great surprise I have not received any letter from you for several mails, I trust my fear is your great gain, though I have expected to hear from you, it occurred to me you might have written to your brother Henry. I think I have received three which you can answer if you have them or inform me I was at Jos a few days last week, he said they had heard from you I was pleased to hear from you. I am happy to inform you that we all enjoy good health the baby has been sick, much better Wm is to do business in City, and your sister has decided to purchase a house in Clinton Avenue, two Streets above Myrtle St where my lot is — price $3,300 — it is considered cheap, she will not occupy it this year as the parent could not leave, or did she desire it, as Charles was not aware that he would come to Mt at present. John thinks of raising the house this summer he feels quite sure the employer has not paid nine tenths of the money he left in his hands, I hope he will as it would be both a loss and a great disappointment to John in his circumstances. His little ones grow finely I hope they will bring them up in the right way.

Thomas I hear you are prospering in your business I frequently think of your wife dying, you dwelling to a contractor of the same, then your stops of building, again you are good hand to arrange matters & things, I wish you could have attended to mine, but I must endure the deprivation for your gain, perhaps you come home with your wife your course John made have attended to prime the spring, but Materials are very high and men ask from 1$ to 1.50 per day and

shall wait a while I presume the fall will be the time
unless I decide to buy one that may please me better.
Let me inform that your cousin Elizabeth Burchell departed this life
on the 7th of March of hasty ~~consumption~~ consumption has left three children two sons
the babe may not live, a good old is sickly Fanny, may keep them
under her care. I think she will have her hands full not competent
to the task her time of life and so she will find I should be very sorry
to engage in the undertaking myself. When I saw Mr Smith
last he inquired very kindly about your welfare which was a
great solace to me knowing you have paid all his claims
therefore I hope will send the interest as I am willing to
have it deducted from what you owe me then he cannot
say a word. do attend to it as the sum is a separate one.
Sunday April 31th, Mr West gives up the establishment in Fulton St
he will keep a little concern next door for a while unless he sells
all out so if any letters are directed to him for me I shall get them
I expect to hear from you next Mail. I wrote to Ann stating
that I had not received any letter from you, lest he might I
think I was inattentive towards him I have not had an answer
as yet. Thomas no doubt you frequently think of your relations
at home why should you not you are all the children of one
parents and never can you forget the last surviving
on earth, who has granted you so many indulgences above all the
rest of her children to think of the gratifying sights you beheld
while in Europe a good remark I am one day he would ask no greater
favour of a parent, perhaps said he you could forget the value of
it in a few years then he said I would forget I had eyes, and feeling
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late to regret, it, now I must content and console myself that you
have witnessed the sights I so earnestly desired to see the land I
was born in place of my birth. Now I will continue my letter
I have endeavoured to commence it all the news I think will interest
you as you have frequently favoured me in like manner—
Your sister, has taken part of a house in Cumberland St Brooklyn
she is to travel to live in a house alone as he may be absent at an evening
though she will keep a girl I shall board, in little my house is built
no doubt you will approve of my plan as a good one—
I hope to be all spared and moved by the time you pay a mother visit
Mr West has [illegible] to pay the Company and get the rest I owed
there other day but it was not in shall go again soon as I can get
to pay Pricings which he has more of them, the weather has been very
stormy with the spring which has prevented me attending to many of
my concerns. I shall remain but quite at a loss when the West
quits Fulton St as it was so handy to call and get a person at to the
that is a great reason why I am so anxious to gain back the interest
so that I could call on him or Russell in a case of emergency this
I wish you to consider and not omit it you cannot think strange of me
to request it Mr West seems it would be the most gentleman like
and besides it might be a great advantage to you in business some
day as a reference or something or other. I think you will agree to it
one write to me in that effect in answer to this deduct it from my demand
on you I care not so that it is paid. I have been of gratification of late
he is quite smart I am glad of it as I want him to live to an old age
Mrs Hope has given up house keeping intends to board I can but little what
she does as I have nothing of my own to think.

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Affectionate Mother

Rachel Whaley.

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San Diego.
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GRASS VALLEY
Thomas Nichols Esq
Care of Sage & Pine
California Notary
San Francisco

Grass Valley Cal. 18th/54

Friend Beasley

I have been absent from the Valley about a week and on my arrival here last Evening I found your favour of the 12. and was pleased to learn that you had proceeded to procure our State title to the Remington Property in which I am willing to pay my portion of the expense and as I shall shortly be down [redacted] Bay I wish you to direct me by letter before you leave for San Diego to whome I shall pay the Money and how I shall obtain my title from the Comptroller please inform me also if the Homer case is decided I think the Street you speak of will improve the Property.

let me hear from you before you leave the Bay

Yours Respectfully

William Wright

New York April 15 1854

Dear Anna

I received your long expected letter and was very happy to hear from you and that you and Thomas was well and enjoying yourselves, I hope that you may continue to keep well and be happy as you have commenced a new life in the world, one that I hope may be long and prosperous, you both must do all you can to make each other happy, yes I expected a letter from you ere this but I thought you was so much pleased with your new home, that you had forgotten your promise to write to me, my health is very good at present and the families also with the exception of colds, which you know is very prevalent at this season of the year, we have not had much spring yet, the ground is now covered with snow 2 or 3 inches deep and is very cold, I do hope that we will have some pleasant weather soon, I almost envy you of your pleasant climate I think that I should be delighted to live in such a climate as you speak of, it must be delightfull to have such nice weather I hope that you may enjoy it, I am glad that you have every thing so comfortable it is a great blessing to have every thing we wish for, well Anna so you and the Judge could not get along together you remember I told you it would not last long, so many family's cannot agree in one house I think that you dover perfectly right in doing what you did if they wanted to impose on you, How do you like keeping house I should think that it was very lonesome how do you amuse yourself, have you any church to go to do they keep the Sabbath where you live, I hope they do Anna I think that I should be afraid of the Christians if they are heavenly for they are only they do not

like white folks, how did you make out on board of the vessel I suppose
you was very sick for a while, you talk of paying you a visit the
idea of going to Cali. on a visit seems strange but I suppose in course
of time it will be thought nothing of. I did you not feel a dread when
you was so long on the water I think that I should when there is so many
dreadfull shipp wrecks, I suppose that you would sooner live in
San francisco than in San Diego would you not it must be a strange
looking place indeed. is Thomas content to live in such a place I suppose
as soon as you get with them we shall see you back again to our large City.
well I wish you all the good luck in the world, how have you prospered
in the baby line I hope well it is time now for you to begin to look
fine I hope you may have luck and when you come back show us how smart
you have been. my little Rosa is a darling little thing she is so coaxing
she begins to talk quite plain I wish you could see her now. Mary
grows very fast, it was a long time before she gained her strength
after you left in the fall. she has not forgotten you. she often talks
of you but Alfred Haleys health has been very good this winter only at
times his breast has pained him I am glad to hear that your health is
improving so fast, I expect that you will be big that I shall hardly know
you, I suppose that your sister has arrived safe home, as you expected in
the fall, I should think that your Mother was very lonely with out
you, you are so far away, things goes on almost the same here as when you
left there is not much change. I still have Catherine living with
me, we have commenced making garden, but I suppose this cold weather
will be very much against it, we have a new line of Stages passing our
house now so you may know that we see plenty of traveling when to you
expect to come and see us again, I hope you will come some day and stay
a good while with us we felt quite lonesome after you left last fall
we had been so accustomed to see the stage stop that it did not seem right

for it pays without stealing, I gave the children some of the kisses you sent them and some for them selves Mr W sends his love to you and Thomas and wishes you all the happyness in world, do you and Mrs Morse live in one house do you live in the same house that you lived in at first when you went to house keeping you must have felt very grand living in a large Hotel with so many maid houses around you what is the best house composed of I should think it was a very romantic looking place with huts Indians and Mountains I think that I would like to see it. I may some day who knows, give my best wishes to Thomas my love to you, the children send their love to you, Mrs Whaley was out here last week she brought my letter she was not very well she has a bad cold,

do write soon as I shall always be happy to hear from you. do not put it of so long as you did before. Sunday the 16th it is snowing quite fast the wind high and cold it looks like the month of January instead of April, as Mr Whaley is sitting by the stove reading Uncle Toms Cabin the children are laying on the floor playing, I have weaned the baby I did not wean her until last month than she was two years old we have not had her christened yet but expect to soon.

I believe that I have told you all the news that I can think of. so I will bid you farewell for the present hoping to hear from you soon receive this with all the good wishes in the world from your Sister Elizabeth Whaley

do write me a long letter next time and tell me all the news you can think of about brother and things

Direct No 93. 45th Street in Care of Robt Grant

San Francisco. April 15th 1854

My dear Mother.

I have received two letters from you since I wrote - also one from Mr Wadd and one from Morgan & Smith - I am here on business for a few days concerning my property which is becoming more valuable every day. When I was last there I refused $150 for it for ten days at twelve thousand dollars and it was to this money I referred when I made the remark I did through your to Henry. The man has backed out forfeiting the $150.00 but good money is so scarce it would be unfortunate to decide for anything like the value therefore I am compelled to hold on though I would rather prefer selling as I feel that that estate are very precarious and I think that if I can succeed in holding on for two or three years longer the property will be worth from fifty to hundred thousand dollars as it is well located in a part of the city just commencing to improve - But I would rather decide at ten thousand or even less than to

Find inclosed the note of $50.00 due to you for Stocking fine dress which I purchased to Mrs Hill's family from Mr Addy Lord & Brown Dry goods manufacturers of Broadway (and Miss Morgan's store) - I have stated that his bill was then on his every home and that when he arrived if he found it was agreeable the date would be given before it was of age. Perhaps it would be better for you to receive it when I made the remark I did through your to Henry.

me any risk and it is for this purpose I
am here at present. I shall return to San
Diego in a week or two and hope to
find letters there for me. Please to tell
Mr Pratt for the kindness he has shown me I
would write to him but am extremely
busy to-day shipping goods to San
Diego but will write by next mail.
Business is not quite so brisk with me
as it was. I have not much more
than paid expenses during two months
past and besides I have had to pay
out two or three pretty large sums, but
notwithstanding I shall try to remit the
balance due Hinton in May. In case
however I should not be able to I wish
you to give him a new note for the balance
with interest added for three months
longer or raise the money in some way
to pay it so that I may have a little
more time. I hope however to avoid the necess-
ity of this. Morgan & Smith now that they
are settled with upon the fairest terms I
could possibly allow them, appear dissa-
tisfied and claim that they should
have interest and say though they have no
legal claim upon me I must consider
myself morally bound to pay them interest.
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morally bound to pay them interest. My settlement with them was a business transaction I made the best terms I possibly could and allowed them all I knew I possibly could afford — They accepted the terms and I have their receipt in full — It is not ~~for~~ right as merchants nor fair as gentlemen for them now that they are paid to appeal to my honor that I ought to pay them interest. When I put any emphasis of condemnation upon the subject and have more money than I know what to do with I think I shall pay them but not before. I have other demands against me upon which I consider myself in honor bound to pay before paying them interest upon that debt which is now settled forever — If they were as fully impressed with my honor as they pretend I think they ought never to have mentioned the subject of interest to me but have left it to time and my convenience to pay if ever I felt so disposed. You need say nothing to them upon the subject as it is my intention to reply to their letter. My self and family enjoy excellent health and spirits — I have not time to write more therefore remember me kindly to all and believe me as ever your affectionate Son

Thos U Phaeny

Mrs Rachel Whaley
Care of Joseph West Esq
45 Fulton Street
New York.

[illegible] the note of J. E. Barton for twenty five dollars which I presented to his father (the firm of Sibbons & Barton) in Manifestation of friendship [illegible] when I was in New York. He [illegible] Son and then on his way home and that when he arrived if he found I was all right and [illegible] that I was given before he was of age (which is entirely false) I have [illegible] to pay it [illegible] to return to [illegible] I as the

N.B. I send assorted Seeds "Bird" for Bird cages, and it is Mr. L. request that you let his Hunter have 50 cts in money.

1854?

Brotherton's Ranche Sunday July

Friend Tom

Finding it so very hot and through the persuasion of Mr. L. I am induced to defer my visit to St Mitchell for a few days. I wish you would send me word by Indian what the prospects are as regards the Letter. I am all ready to furnish it at any moment.

Mr. L. requests me to say to you that a little reading matter would be very acceptable & he requires by the Indian 2 Bags of Flour 1 Bag of Sugar (25) (& a lb of Coffee.) 1 Box Shingle nails 1 Ball Twine. Give my best regards to Mrs Wheeler & Jack and tell her I have obeyed her last request to the letter. "Never more to sin"

As for the Hay it is so very dry on the mountain and no water that it will be impossible to move it till some of the warm weather abates. I will see Colman tomorrow if possible and see what he says about it. If you see Mr Ward alias Texas tell him to have his team in readiness I shall be in myself while in town Mr L is anxious to have the Hay removed as he wishes to turn his stock up there.

If in case Mitchell should come or send word in town, inform me please &

I remain your Affect Friend

Orson G. Chatten

P.S. It will be impossible for me to attend your Military company to have my name "in a card" if you please. Mr L has some fine little New Zealands just such as would be company for little Jack —

Write by return Mail

Name from Sandwich Islands

A man of war is expected at the Ranchos to-morrow on his way to San Diego

Mr. Abel Stearns
Ranchos
San Diego
California

Per Honolulu
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San Diego Cal (1854)
April 30th 1843

Friend Whaley

The pursser of the Southerner arrived at the Gerdy Store at 12 o'clock last night with freight Bill ($39.44) but with no letters, no Bill Lading nothing except a letter from C. E. R. to Rose, addressed to me. I send you all the money I can possibly raise only $815.00 No one has any money, some "say" can't pay now" dont know when I can" others, will pay before Steamer day — as usual —, Coats handed me the enclosed bill on Wheelwright, who is in S.F. wishing you to collect it. I also enclose to you the bill against the Southerner for missing bbls Ale — I can find no Bill Lading and R. E. Raymond probably has receipts for the Ale.

I send you a list of the articles we mostly need

× Sugar, × Salt, × Candy, × Jackets (the best cost 16c) × Soap (Colgates, Randolls, Hill's best 5 cts a bar or Hills not Bretts) × Castile Soap, Corn Meal, × Olive Oil × Blue Stone, × Capsules Butchers knives 5 & 8 inch also the 12 inch Black handled same as you bought last time, Jack's Pen knives.

× Dupont's Eagle Gunpowder, Pepper sauce, Sweet Meats

* Goodwins or Lillenthalls smoking Tobacco (none in town)
* Boys Brogans Mens do, Ladies Shoes, Mens do & boots,
Fish & chalk lines ass. Planters Hoes Whip lashes & whips
Tape such as is used for dressing coffins, (white) Blue shirts
Ginger Nuts, Shot Pouches, Pistol Holsters & belts & shoulder straps, small tweezers
Diamond & cut glass, Office chairs, Red Flannel, & Cut Jobs
Buckles ass. Leaf Tobacco. Wrapping paper,
1st quality Tooth Brushes, do do Buffalo dressing combs,
also horn dressing combs, Chambers large size, Lamp shades
Table Damask 6/4 white, Red Curtain stuff
Student's Primer by Denman open they are used in the schools here
(for Bob Brack 12 inch, steel end, flat files
" " " " " " " 12 round
" " " Spanish Reader No 2)

2 Keys for the small watch Fleming gave you one for the hands and one to wind.

I send you a long list, but have marked with a x those we are out of. You can have what you do not fill with R. E. R as I expect by next steamer to have more money as the screws will begin to work by that time. It is very dull here they say we are doing more business than anyone. Some days Hoff does not take in a dime & about town 150 to $200. as we have large cash sales. McFranklins are selling out again.

Yours &c. E. W. Moore

P.S.

Miss Crosthwaite and Mrs Darby go up by this Steamer. Darby goes out to Mr Poole's Dramain a few days and takes them up to be busy up housekeeping. Mrs Poole thinks of boarding with Mr Cave J. Lewis & family. Mr Poole sends regards to you & yours

yo, lo mismo, E. W. Moore

MAY
1854

New York May 14th 1854.

Dear Thomas

Your letter of April 14th came safe to hand inform me of your and family's health which was a great satisfaction to me.

I was pleased to hear of your Kinsson Point property becoming so very valuable the disappointment of not selling it must have been very great then to think it will disappoint poor Thacyin his sanguine expectations of coming to California I trust it will be all for the best. though, he told Sisters bus band he was waiting with all patience for you to send on for him as he had cleared to increase his stock or business. I am truly sorry if I made him such generous proposals and recied so quickly, and hope you may meet with an opportunity yet, to your mind, as you say, it would be most wise to dispose of the lot—

I gave Mr West your thanks for his kindness shown Thomas I sincerely hope you will certainly remit on the ballence of Hollingsheads note or I shall have a great deal of trouble

New York May 14th 1864.

Dear Thomas

Your letter of april 15th came safe to hand inform me of your and family's health which was a great satisfaction to me —

I was pleased to hear of your, Rincon Point property becoming so very valuable the disappointment of not selling. It must have been very great then to think it will disappoint poor Henry in his sanguine expectations of coming to California I trust it will be all for the best. though, he told Sisters husband he was waiting with all patience for you to send on for him as he had cleared to increase his stock or business. I am truly sorry you made him such generous proposals and recd so quickly, and hope you may meet with an opportunity yet, to your mind, as you say, it would be most wise to dispose of the lot —

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contrary to my expectations as I have decided
to build and shall need all my funds, I would
give him a note but I do not think he would
agree to it and then to let me have the least
combat with them would be ungenerous indeed on
your part as a son, knowing as you do, how
grieved I was, with their unkind treatment to you
I must say your time has not been very lim
ited. Now Thomas too, Morgan & Smith
John, Mr West. think you had better con
sider the matter duly, and agree to pay them
interest, taking your own time to do so as it may
be advantageous, as a gent in business, I am
willing to pay it out of what you owe me and
place it to my account, as I think then no
one can say ought against my son. I am
at Johns for a few days, though I board in
Brooklyn the second St from where my lots
pretty much to the back of it. but direct your
letter to Brooklyn P. Office care of Mr Cottins
with whom I board, a private family Sister
lives in the next Street. Thomas I trust
you will respond to Mr & S and say gent
I comply but let me take my own time
for the deed, I think they would be satisfied
as they appeal to your honor, be a gent as you

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If you had better write and see Mr when you will send

I am indeed excited, while I write fearing I may have deffiulty with Fr note, gracious knows I was willing, to help you out of your trouble, but I do not feel willing to deal with such ill natured people, or will you place me in such a position, as I am not able to bear with the unpleasant encounter, though I am your, Mother, and trust you will not impose the task upon me, or, I shall think very heard of you for it. John says he will attend to Datons Note he and family are all well desire love to you with their best wishes I shall be able to hear from you more frequent as the Cal^a mails arrive each ~~week~~ do not put off writing about the remittance for Flintoff as they will pounce upon me with haste, I hope your business is stiee good or how can it decline at present as San Diego is quite noted this spring has been very cold and unpleasant, snow, hail, rain storms all says they never remembered the like John has his garden planted it to raise his house as soon as he get his pay The Tower is lit up at last — answers well —

If you had better write and tell you will send

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son. I am
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of Mr Atkins
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as I trust
and say gent
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e gent as you

I have not seen the light. J says it is most brilliant at night. I hope and pray the affair wile succeed the authority at Washington are to send on a committee to investigate it, to give order for some, John is all expectation, poor fellow I hope he wile not be disappointed as he is a good man, means well I must write the news to your brother Henry of your disappointment though you have not desired me to do so. I was fully impressed with Idea that you had written to Henry and put of writing to me untile I called on West yesterday, he has given up business has a small room next door for a while to store a few goods untile he packs them up, he is a deserving person has made a living which is a great comport and now he says he wile try to take some pleasure in the world. to close I sincere hope to hear of your continued success my dear child. May God bless you

Yours Affectionate Mother

R W Haley.

New York le 19 Mai 1854

Ma chère Anna

Je profitte de l'occasion de Mrs Babcock qui part demain pour San Francisco, avec sa mère et ses deux petits enfants pour aller rejoindre son mari qui est négociant. elle veut bien se charger de cette lettre dans laquelle tu trouveras un Bracelet de mes cheveux et de ta soeur. Il y a déjà quelque tems que Daniel me l'a fait et si j'ai tardé à te l'envoyer plus tôt c'est que j'avais l'intention de le faire monter; mais comme je n'ai plus les moyens de le faire, je te l'envoie chère enfant assurée qu'il te sera aussi précieux que s'il avait la plus belle monture possible tu y feras donc mettre un Fermoir toi même et de ton goût. hélas! c'est aujourd'hui que je regrette d'être si pauvre! ta soeur va t'écrire une longue lettre, tant qu'à moi, j'ai tant le rhumatisme que j'ai les mains enflées et c'est avec peine que j'tiens ma plume Peter aussi souffre beaucoup de douleur dans les jointures. Je pense que tu es de retour à San Diego et que tu as reçu

mes lettres. Adieu ma chère enfant soigne-toi bien et n'oublie pas de me faire savoir si tu es enceinte.

Je vous embrasse tous les deux de tout mon coeur.

Ta mère

V. G. Lannaye

P.S. Amélie doit encore me quitter ch. que je vais m'essayer. Adresse toujours à la même adresse.

New York May 19th 1854

My Dear Sister

It is singular that you have received but one letter from us when we have written to you so often if you have not received them by this time they must have been mislaid no doubt I am happy to hear that you are still enjoying such good health and that you enjoy yourself for no doubt you need it being so far from home it makes the time appear less tedious for you. I would like very much to see Sarah Diage but I would rather see you in New York we hope that you will return as soon as possible to your home although you enjoy good health and also that you are happy. We are all well at present excepting Mother that never feels very well Peter is quite well now but he has not enjoyed very good health this winter he was never very strong you know he still works at Mr Underhill his wages have not yet been raised but he expects that they will be soon as we find it very hard to get along at present with so little everything being so very dear We are still in the same house not because we like it so much

I can assure you but still we must
not complain, I expect to go in the country
with Mrs de Peyster if circumstances will permit
I do not like much the idea of going with
perfect strangers and it being so far
from home to leave Mother all alone
this Summer again but I cannot do
otherwise or I would not leave her It is at
Tivoli Dutchess County 113 miles up the Hudson
river and it cost three dollars to go and
come for which reason I will not be able
to come home very often which makes it
still more disagreeable but it cannot
be helped I will try it for one month if I
do not like it I can return home Give my
love to Mr Whaley I send him the Herald
that is full of news from the seat of
War he will find it very interesting, Mother
writes to you and also sends you a bracelet
that Daniel made for you of Mothers
hair and mine which I think you will
find quite pretty you can have a clasp put
on as you are in the land of Gold and we
are in the land of dirt, as for our friends
we see but few of them excepting Daniel who
is a constant visitor I forgot to tell you that
mother sends her letter by Mrs Babcock who
is going to join her husband who is a Merchant
in San Francisco Write to us by every mail

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his love to
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and we will do the same I hope that you
will not fail to write to Cornelia and
Libby they expect a letter from you as I told
them that you would write to them Poor Pipo
is getting very old and sick she can hardly
go up and down stairs we are afraid
that she will not live long, poor thing
I must now close my letter hoping to hear
from you soon do not fail to write, the
ticket that you sent Peter came to late
as they have been all drawn, Peter sends
his love to you hoping to hear from you soon
again I bid you adieu dear Anna, and
believe me ever your affectionate sister
Amelia Lannuy.

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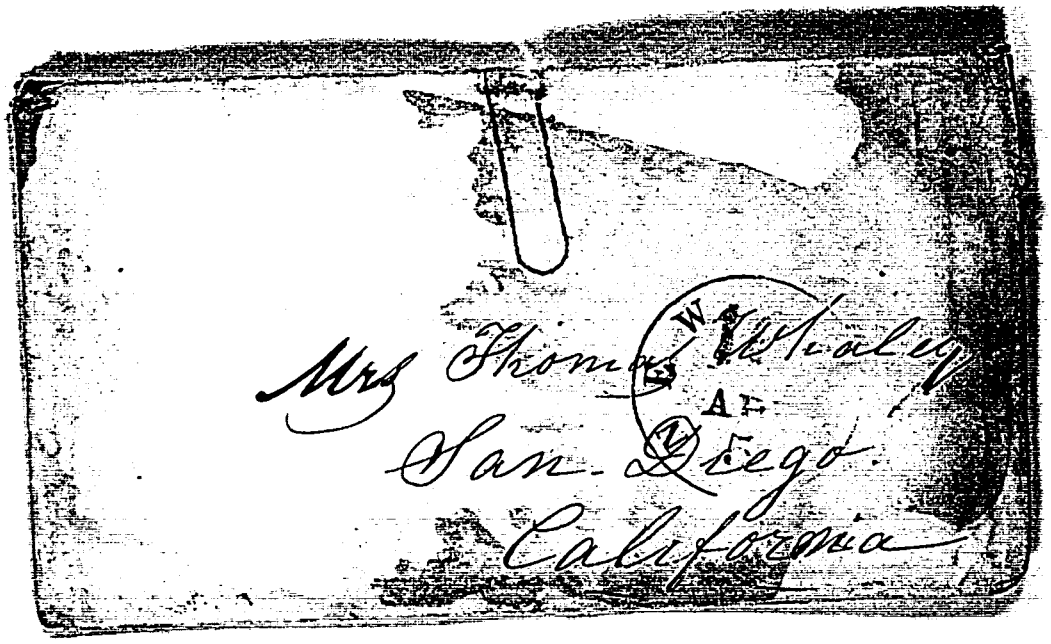
Mrs Thomas Wheeler
San Diego
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New York. le 4 Mai 1854.

Chère Anna.

J'ai reçu ta dernière datée le 20 Mars. C'est toujours avec grand plaisir que nous recevons de tes nouvelles et surtout que ta santé est bonne c'est ce qui contribue le plus à me faire supporter ton absence aussi aies bien soin de toi ne danse pas trop, cela est dangereux pour une jeune mariée prends de l'exercice, mais avec modération enfin évite la fatigue et tout excès et comme ta pauvre mère est séparée de toi suis ses conseils et tu t'en trouveras bien

Tu dois avoir reçu deux lettres à présent car je n'ai pas manqué de répondre à celles que tu m'as envoyées et Amélie aussi t'a écrit dans une ou deux, elle n'a plus d'élèves depuis quinze jours. tu dois penser dans quelle position nous nous trouvons: tu connais l'individu de qui nous louons qui a renchéri notre loyer d'un dollar par mois et qui ne veut pas seulement attendre une semaine pour son argent, or vraiment nous avons plus de peine que nous n'en pouvons supporter, il va falloir qu'Amélie cherche à se placer pour l'été et si

Peter n'était pas si malade, je me plaisais
aussi; mais puis-je l'abandonner à la
merci des étrangers? je ne puis m'y résoudre.
et cependant je ne sais que faire
moi-même je ne suis pas en état d'aller
chez les étrangers cependant si ce n'était
pour Peter, j'en courrais le risque. Mais
non! je préfère mourir avec lui que de le
quitter. tu sais que je ne suis pas une
mère à abandonner ses enfants; tant qu'
ils auront besoin de moi, ils me trouveront
Dieu merci, ma santé est meilleure
depuis qu'il ne fait plus si froid mais
j'ai beaucoup souffert tout l'hiver
qui a été le plus dur et le plus
difficile que nous ayons encore eu à
passer Dieu veuille que ça soit le
dernier. Adieu donc chère enfant
n'oublie pas que ma seule consolation est de
recevoir de tes nouvelles et d'apprendre
que tu es en bonne santé et heureuse
Je t'embrasse du fond
de mon coeur ainsi que ton Mari
Ta Mère affectionnée

V. E. Lannay.

Il n'y a pas encore un an que tu es partie
O! que le temps me paraît long.

My Dear

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My Dear Sister

I have written to you twice in Mothers letters which I hope you have received. We are all well at present and we are all glad to hear that you enjoy such good health and enjoy yourself It is very dull with us. As for me I am far from going to a ball once in six Months but that does not trouble me. We are very much pleased to hear that you like Sam & Cyo so much I was afraid that you would find it very dull being a new place for you. You are still keeping house which must be very pleasant for you to be your own Mistress I have not yet found a situation yet it being difficult to find a situation as I would like And my not being able to teach Music it is still more difficult but I hope that I will succeed soon better late than never my dear sister I must close my letter by bidding you adieu hoping to hear from you soon by every mail give my love to Mr Whaley and believe me ever your affectionate sister

Amelia T Lanning

PS Tell us if you have seen Mr Warner and Elie and all about them if you can

Peter sends his love to you and sends you the newspaper were you will read the awful accident which happened

to the Farmer at a large fire in Broadway you will read a full account in the Herald which I send you It happened that Peter's Company were laid up for a time as they are building a new firemens Hall so that they did not lose any of their company, but fifteen or Sixteen firemen have lost their lives) It is a very lamentable occurrence for New York, again I bid you adieu) Amelia

Oregon City May 28th 1854

Dear [illegible]

I am much obliged for your [illegible]
[illegible] I received your last [illegible]
I sometime ago at your place [illegible]
The rate of [illegible] fortune sometime that he may [illegible]
out who are his friends, & I feel particularly happy
to learn I shall be in this place the [illegible]
I am at this place in the Surveyor General's office
the [illegible] from the 1st Sept to 15th for year
like this, as the expedition will not come before that
time. I will show your letter which are
in Sight here to Mr Commodore. I want I
had not left the State with you for the
[illegible] Have [illegible] I have
[illegible] my [illegible] I am indebted for
[illegible] the [illegible] with whom I was
associated [illegible] I will [illegible]
good time [illegible] as far as I see. I am [illegible]
I cannot [illegible] I much admire the [illegible]

[illegible] consecrations of this Territory [illegible] The young
[illegible] has not yet arrived — I [illegible] hailed the
[illegible] yesterday & is hold to day — [illegible] I am much
[illegible] strong storms — which [illegible] agreeable to
[illegible] agreeable disposition — [illegible] I imagined it
[illegible] I am married! — After [illegible] I wrote the
[illegible] young lady in Canada offering [illegible] my claims
upon her — &c. I intended to go to Oregon which was
the last thing I could do under circumstances, and
after she refused, & preference being married before I
left — I went to Canada with Gilman — Thence 30
miles below Tro — rode on Stage twenty miles in an
open sleigh between Montreal & Quebec & was married —
& of course my hopes were in a confusion & I came out here
as soon as possible though when I cannot tell —
It would be very pleasant for us both to be together &
I should like much to be with you in the Oregon,
perhaps something may turn up so that I shall be can
to again & in old times with [illegible] of the Chantauqua —
I am much obliged to you for your generous offer —
but under circumstances I think it best to remain
for the present, & after a while I may be

troubled you with anything, or that I may have
some grace — I sincerely hope you will keep
up a correspondence with me constantly — I know
you are [illegible] the Portmanteau with whom I
prefer seeing the acquaintance than probably all
I know you [illegible] may [illegible] from action [illegible]
I should be [illegible] at see you lady — I wish
before the Steamer would stop at San Diego coming p
but even then I would not have seen you — I
regret the much. I am not sure we in San Francisco
I cannot stay on the 1st Nov & leave the S. I feel
of at Mr. Moore's House, & my arrangements will all the time,
— I am doubtful whether for some time I shall be able to complete the
Crayon — the detention in the Mountains took away all the
funds, I fortunately got out of them for Pastor & Elam. I
was offered Dollars for them in the Steamer! Now
are the mighty fallen! — I shall not wish to return
are from up first [illegible] I could help — the living
Steamer & the [illegible] was almost a good & the Cabin
board the [illegible] that place [illegible] — I keep
greater according [illegible] Cam. [illegible] from to do me a
favor provided [illegible] not be the least interfere with your [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Steamer — Chas Peter Sherwood [illegible]

[illegible] Canada — [illegible] and the pleasure of [illegible] [illegible] the letter I have of [illegible] [illegible] animals in California — [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Pacific — I received a letter from [illegible] [illegible] friends are all well — [illegible] [illegible] the Steamer Chas Sherwood [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] folks and to have them [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

June

1854

[illegible] 1854

My very Dear Son,

Yours, [illegible] safe
to hand and was read with [illegible] though your
pen was poor I hope you [illegible] secured the title
to your property I fear least anything should
happen as you have been so truly unfortunate with
property in San Ft. but I trust all will be well
with you and hope you will be able to dispose
of it to your wishes Thomas as you say I
fear you have raised your brothers expectations
to be disappointment. If so I [illegible] sorry. but, I
trust it will not prevent [illegible] succeeding
a while longer, to John [illegible] he is doing
better than ever and will [illegible] successful
as he contemplates one [illegible] health is
much improved for which [illegible] thankful
I sincerely think he [illegible] been
doing, at this time, had [illegible] an
opportunity to come [illegible] home to
Thomas, you have [illegible] thousands
and have not given [illegible] dollars
withstanding you have [illegible] others for

not [illegible] unpleasantly but, have people
wonder [illegible] favourable remarks towards
and [illegible] do more than it is [illegible]
in my [illegible] offered to give you all a
way [illegible] portion or less therefore
good [illegible] to observe what I do
for you [illegible] tell me to do, what you
entire [illegible] power I should have the
you [illegible] last to have discouraged me
to try to [illegible] myself comfortable but, you never did
like before so I do not know what construction to put
upon your advice, I hope you have not cease to think
of me as a Mother, ought to be, if so, I have not forg
you as my child and how can I? I cannot
give up my intentions or will I if I live.

Thomas the time is approaching for Flintoff
payment [illegible] practical to send on the draft
I am [illegible] pay it and have no one to a
Mr [illegible] gone out of business all to a bro
next [illegible] store where he may remain
month [illegible] rid of a great burthen
you [illegible] of your old debts merely to
I hope [illegible] had a heard time but
you [illegible] and husband up as
to [illegible] you please with I will
[illegible] from you or say you are wrong
[illegible] but I am my best wishes for your
prosperity

I have changed my [illegible] private family
one of the best I ever [illegible] place I
am realy much pleas[illegible] since the
[illegible] Thomas, 19, a fine [illegible] to his
I often think of you [illegible] name col-
the next about 14 — [illegible] two little
Mary & Selina one 8 the [illegible] interesting
they, are fond of me [illegible] school away
[illegible] I have never seen her [illegible] future to
[illegible] I am comfortably situated [illegible] pleasant away.
[illegible] place two street, back of my lot sister lives in the
next, St. so I run there frequently as you may suppose
baby, grows fine but thin. Beth does not quite walk
sister is tolerable well, her husband came to see
three weeks ago I then went up to Johns for a visit
of a week when I returned, I went to my [illegible] abode
as I would not leave sister [illegible] he husband came
I think Fleng would have felt [illegible] satisfied if
you had written but I will [illegible] though
I do not recieve any answers [illegible] not wrote
to John since they were on [illegible] to me
I shall run up to Johns soon [illegible] like to see the
[illegible] ons once in a while they [illegible] and pat
I hope they will be good [illegible] every body
my love there I will [illegible] renewed
[illegible] you desire but, do send [illegible] for the
[illegible] as they may not be [illegible] you
[illegible] well know they will give [illegible] all the

trouble [illegible] I paid Mrs Kip $94 for a
I had [illegible] ago left it at Westb
for her [illegible] a hundred I owed
so you s[illegible] pay Flintoff unless
I would [illegible] as I should be ash
them to [illegible] time in difficulty you
friend [illegible] to you all the partic
hoping [illegible] attentive to what I write
you kn[illegible] placed if I borrow I sh
expect you [illegible] so I shal tell any one
if from I w[illegible] settled I should have thought
you would have sent it on ere this to be in time
for the payment as they will be troublesome
I am afraid May God bless and protect
you my Son is the prayer of your

Mother Rachel Whaley

a small place, up the Coast towards Oregon
She was very anxious that I should accompany
her and spend the summer with her but as I had
just returned I could not think of leaving my
dear Uncle and Cousin so soon She made me
promise that I would soon visit her and there
is a probability of my next letter being dated
from there, but it is uncertain if I go shall remain
but a short time, will try to be here when you
come again I am not very anxious to go for
from the description it must be a lonelier
place than San-Diego, wont you pity me if I
do go? I know you will we can then sympathize
with each other having to waste our fragrance
~~on the desert~~ air what a pity? You must not
fail to write me long letters during my absence
tell me all the news, and when you are coming
to San-Francisco and I will then return to
meet you here I am still boarding at the
International Hotel but will soon make a
change for I am very lonely here, and think
a more private life would be more agreeable
to my tastes although there are many around
me, yet I have no congeniality of feeling with
them now if you were here with me, I would be
satisfied to remain, I will advise you of my
whereabouts however. Miss Brown and Mother have
gone to the States. I shall look anxiously for
the return of the Dauntless as I shall
expect a long letter from you; do not disappoint
me. Please give my kindest regards to Mr Clements
Mr Pendleton and all Friends, there are a few
persons in San-Diego, whom I esteem very highly indeed
and often think of them, say to Mr P— n and Mr C— s
that the few lines of remembrance sent by them ~~were~~
indeed appreciated by me, it showed that I was not
forgotten by them and they will please accept many
kind regards in return I suppose I would not have said
my love. I hope you will have a good time at the Beiles

My Dear Friend,

I was indeed delighted to hear from you, your letter was given me the day the Southerner arrived, through Mr Deane's kindness. I have almost worn your letter out, reading it so often, and I beg of you to favor me with another very soon. You little know how much I miped you, it seemed to me as though I had parted with a sister, and long may our Friendship continue, many, many times have I wished for you, since you left, I sincerely hope that you will soon pay San-Francisco another visit, please say to Mr Whaley that I hope he will not forget the promise made to me before he left. In your next letter do not begin with Miss Crosthwaite I beg of you it almost frozee me, it was so chilling, remember my name is Mary, I dare not call you Anna

Remember me with many kind wishes to Mr Whaley tell him he must not fail to bring you up soon. Also remember me to Mrs Morse, tell her I am enjoying myself finely and that I would be pleased to hear from her and that she must not work too hard. I write with a heavy heart, I hand, to excuse the disparaging appearance of this letter. I do not think that particular is enough of notice for a lady to write, can you? Please to me. Forgive me. You know where my heart is do not breathe it to a soul. Fail not to write soon, not forget Mr Whaley, I confide fully in you. I find my thoughts continually turning to a certain object, it is natural I cannot help it. My kind uncle desires his affectionate to you. I offer a speech of Comfort. Write and also to my Cousin Charlie, he has neglected to see you.

Mary. H. Crosthwaite

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Accept much love from your truly

Good bye

God bless you

Mary. H. Crosthwaite

M.H.C. San-Francisco June 3rd/54.

for that would not be paying due respect to
you as Madam Whaley, I am merely sending
in my regrets.

Lieut Derby and wife called on
me yesterday to make their Adieus as they
leave to-day for San-Diego, but with the hope
of returning soon to remain here. I saw Mrs Dey
for the first time since we arrived, we have
both been ill. I suppose Mr Hasty informed
you of my illness which of course was a
sufficient excuse for my not having written to you. I
was indeed dangerously sick, and often did I
wish that you were with me, although I had many
Friends with me and received every attention
yet I often thought of my kind affectionate
Friend Mrs Whaley, Mr Deane called to see me
on Thursday evening, he told me if I would write
he would deliver the letters himself, so I respect
you will see him he can tell you that I look
like a ghost, being so pale and thin, he seems
to be a very kind hearted person, ever ready to
oblige. I would like to be with you to-day. I have
much to say to you, but will wait until you return.
I have been out but one evening since you
left, attended Hate Hayes' Concert, so you will
see that I have enjoyed myself but little in
that respect, but yet I am happy in being with
my Friends. We have had delightful weather and

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to since the Eclipse, although not free from
ing the usual disagreeable winds which prevail
at this season.

I hear constantly Lilly Dale either
played, sung or whistled, and it recalls many
fee scenes of the past, you know how a familiar
Dey air will affect a person and I never hear
have that one but I think of the many happy
ed hours we have spent together, of our little
reunions, and of our ride to the Mission
I I regretted much that our Friend Mr Hoff
d I left in the way he did, poor fellow, his passion
many for Gambling ruined him as it has done many
in others, I shall always think he intended to do what
ate was right and just towards others, but he was forced
me to act in the manner he has done by his imprudence
write I did not receive a letter from Philip last
ect Steamer I suppose he was absent from home
look he wrote before that he had received the kiss
ems which I sent him by you. I hope you will be
to pleased with your new home, and will be
have contented and happy during your stay in
return San-Diego, often do I wonder how you are enjoying
in yourself, when you play the Aurora and Affection
will waltzes you must think of your Friend Mary.
in My Friend Mrs Butler arrived about two
with weeks after I did, remained here a few days
ter and has now gone to Crescent City to live

a small place, up the Coast towards Oregon
She was very anxious that I should accompany
her and spend the summer with her but as I had
just returned, I could not think of leaving my
dear Uncle and Cousin so soon. She made me
promise that I would soon visit her and there
is a probability of my next letter being dated
from there, but it is uncertain if I go shall remain
but a short time, will try to be here when you
come again. I am not very anxious to go for
from the description it must be a lonelier
place than San Diego, wont you pity me if I
do go? I know you will we can then sympathize
with each other having to waste our fragrance
~~on the desert~~ air. What a pity? You must not
fail to write me long letters during my absence
tell me all the news, and when you are coming
to San Francisco and I will then return to
meet you here. I am still boarding at the
International Hotel but will soon make a
change, for I am very lonely here, and think
a more private life would be more agreeable
to my tastes although there are many around
me. Yet I have no congeniality of feeling with
them now if you were here with me, I would be
satisfied to remain. I will advise you of my
whereabouts however. Miss Brown and Mother have
gone to the States. I shall look anxiously for
the return of the Dauntless as I shall
expect a long letter from you, do not disappoint
me. Please give my kindest regards to Mr Clements
Mr Pendleton and all friends, there are a few
persons in San Diego whom I esteem very highly indeed
and often think of them, say to Mr P— n and Mr C— s
that the few lines of remembrance sent by them
indeed appreciated by me, it showed that I was not
forgotten by them and they will please accept many
kind regards in return. I suppose I would not dare send
my love. I hope you will have a good time at the Bailes.

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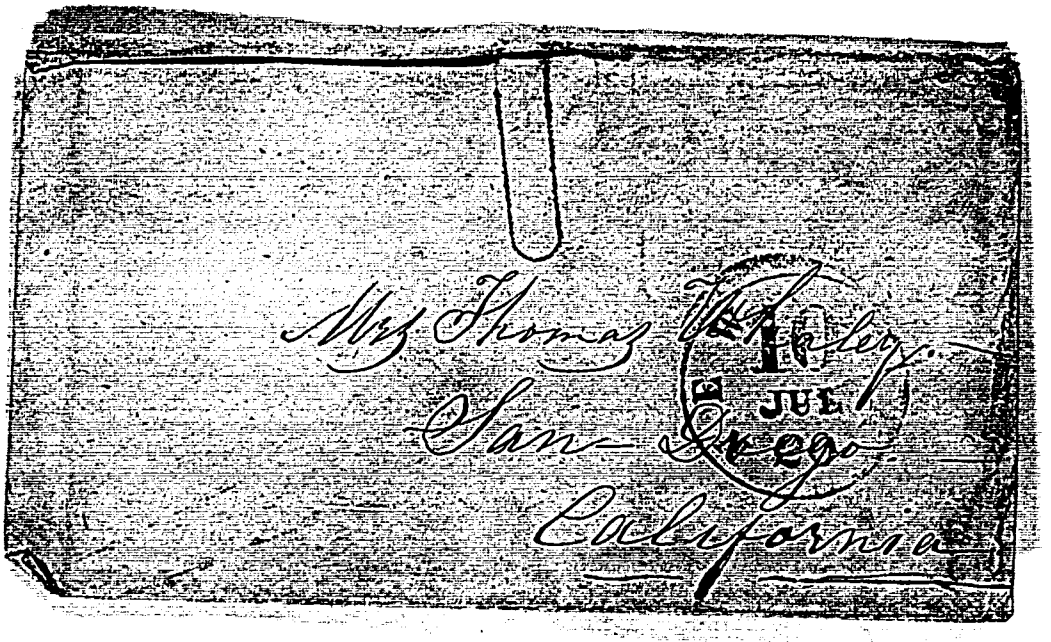
Mrs Thomas Tilley
San Diego
California
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Newyork le 3. Juillet 1854.

Chère Anna

Ta dernière du 23. Mai/54. m'est parvenue
et bien à propos je t'assure car je suis encore
une fois seule. Tu as dû recevoir la réponse
à la lettre du 30 Avril/54 par la quelle tu
m'as envoyé cinquante dollars qui m'ont
été payés. Dieu te bénisse ma chère enfant
et ton Mari aussi. Maintenant je ne veux
plus que tu t'inquiète ni que tu te
chagrine; ta position demande le plus
grand calme d'esprit, l'agitation te
ferait beaucoup de Mal. Sois tranquille
sur mon compte; l'espoir de te revoir
bientôt me fera vivre, d'ailleurs tes
bonnes intentions pour moi m'ont déjà
tranquillisé l'esprit et avec l'esprit
tranquille je me porterai mieux. Mais,
ce n'est pas cela seul qu'il me faut;
il faut qu'Anna se porte bien qu'elle
soit raisonnable, qu'elle prenne le temps avec
patience, et surtout qu'elle ne se tourmente
de rien. Tu veux que je te donne des con-
seils; laisse agir la nature; ne la gêne

en rien! surtout pas de danse: c'est la plus mauvaise chose que tu puisse faire que de danser. prends un exercice modéré ne te fatigue jamais; la fatigue te ferait plus de mal que le repos. ne porte rien de lourd, ne lève pas les bras au dessus de ta tête, descends les escaliers doucement et monte de même. pas de Bains. évite la patisserie et toute chose indigeste. mange peu, et souvent. si tu as des tiraillements d'estomac prends un bon bouillon bien dégraissé. (tu sais le faire) aime bien ton mari, recommande toi à Dieu, et tout ira bien. d'ailleurs, peut être viendras tu faire tes couches ici! alors c'est moi qui serai ta garde malade je ne te quitterai pas d'une minute. o chère Anna que je serais heureuse de te revoir! et ta Sœur et ton frère! si tu pouvais nous voir tous les trois quand il nous vient une lettre de toi! c'est alors que tu saurais combien on t'aime chez toi!

Amélie est partie pour la campagne le 30 mai chez la famille Watts de Peyton Tivoli. Dutchess County. on lui donne

...douze dollars par mois et sa pension
pour enseigner à deux petits enfants.
Je n'ai reçu qu'une lettre d'elle mais j'en
attends une aujourd'hui; je ne fermerai
pas ma lettre avant de te donner de ses
nouvelles. elle se portait bien lorsqu'elle
m'a écrit. Peter et moi nous nous portons
bien de tems en tems Peter a encore mal
aux intestins mais le mal paraît diminuer.
Nous avons eu une alarme hier
Dimanche on croyait que le feu était
à la maison la fumée sortait entre
les briques sous les fenêtres de la chambre
qu'occupait Mrs Mary en dehors et
dans un coin auprès de la cheminée
en dedans; les Pompiers sont venus et
avec une hache ils ont fait un grand
trou dans le plancher ce qui a fait
tomber le plafond de Mme Robert, lui
a déchiré des rideaux, cassé des vases sur
la cheminée, abîmé son tapis, écorché
l'épaule et déchiré l'habit neuf de
son frère qui se trouvait-là: enfin il
le paraît qu'il n'y avait pas de feu; la
fumée sortait on n'a pu savoir comment,
tout qu'à moi, j'en ai été quitte pour

Je ne puis m'imaginer ce qui fait qu'Amélie ne m'écrit pas. Je ne l'ai pas forcée d'y aller. C'est de sa propre volonté. J'étais bien aise pour elle qu'elle passa l'été à la campagne. Je croyais que cela ferait [illegible] du bien. Si ce n'était pas si loin j'irais tout de suite la trouver. Je viens de lui écrire une lettre où je lui marque de m'écrire ou si elle ne se plait pas où elle est de revenir tout-de-suite. Cela coûte plus de deux dollars pour aller et deux encore pour revenir dans ce moment ci je ne puis pas faire cette dépense. J'aurais désiré faire des arrangements pour y passer le mois d'Août. J'ai grand besoin d'un changement d'air. J'espère qu'elle va répondre de suite à ma lettre. Oh que je me sens triste. Chère Anna peux-tu m'envoyer une mèche de tes cheveux. J'ai le coeur fendu. Il fait une chaleur excessive ma chère Anna ma chère Anna je pense toujours à ton adieu. Il m'a semblé qu'on m'arrachait le coeur. Mais mais qui te donne aux conseils de sagesse et je suis la moins raisonnable des deux. J'ai toujours trop aimé mes enfants. C'est pourquoi Dieu me prive d'eux maintenant. Peter est allé voir la Parade. Je ne pense pas que je le verrai aujourd'hui. O! quel 4 Juillet pour moi!

[illegible] les jours. [illegible] de plus en [illegible]
[illegible] frequents [illegible]
[illegible] deux ou [illegible]
[illegible] paysage de [illegible]
[illegible] l'avance de la [illegible]
[illegible] le Paradis [illegible] d'ailleurs [illegible]
[illegible] vient tout une [illegible]
[illegible] l'avance des meubles [illegible] assurer
[illegible] avait fini hier et avait
rendu dans la [illegible] son paquet
l'assurance dans la [illegible]
[illegible]. Mais nous [illegible]
nous perdrons un mois de loyer et
peut-être nos meubles aussi. Mais il
faut que je finisse en t'embrassant
Peter [illegible] de tout notre coeur
ainsi que ton mari. Nous t'envoyons
de [illegible] bien [illegible] affectionnée
[illegible] Launay
[illegible] ma lettre
dans ta [illegible] des nouvelles d'Amélie elle ne
m'a pas encore écrit. O quel [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] au [illegible] de mai. Quel changement dans
ma famille! Mais elle règne dans ma pensée

Brooklyn July 3 — 1854

Dear Son.

I have long been expecting a letter from you in relation to the payment of your note to Flintoff I was at the P. office and Mr Wests who still retains his little office but no letter a while longer, he is much surprised that you neglect to write, to inform me what to do, he said he did not believe they would renew the note, but he would go up and see Flintoff. I am sorry for him to have any more trouble with the concern, as he is very perplexed with settleing up his own concern I wonder should wish to trouble your friends so unnecessarily what would you do if you was at loss for a friend again to consider the affair duely. I would not act in such a way. I feel quite troubled about it John was in hopes to be paid off, but they have entered a suit against the Co for their payment so he says he cannot help you for he is obliged to make out with very little untile he is paid off, they owe him near $250, he needs it very much at all events, if you are not prompt to pay you cannot look for favours again. thought I am sorry to say so as I always depended upon your good principle of honor I am certain if I have to pay it I shall undergo a very great anxiety and trouble of both mind and body

which I little expected you would oppose me too for my kindness to you ~~as~~ I tell you I have not the money on hand therefore I must be opposed to try to borrow and possibley not succeed only think of it. If West was in business he might let you have the sum. Why did you not send on the $150. you received for the refusal of Rincon point that would have helped finely towards it. Then you have ~~not sent~~ the crape shawls or even mentioned the affair why do you treat your kind parent thus only think I am grieved. but I must take care of myself in future unless I can receive kindness in return I am, the one to be used well, and deserve to be.

I wrote the purport of your letter to your brother Henry I conclude he was not well pleased as he has not answered me. ~~John~~ has seen Mr Baylor, he says his son, ~~will receive~~ and has returned to San Jt, but if he returns he will make him pay it, if all is right. so you may done it away as its gone from you — You, had better, have sent me my shawl than been helping other people. that is not my way I look to my own. I was up to Johns last week all well, but want money or any help they can get. Tho mas its near a year since you was here, indeed, I can revert to the coming with so little comfort, I do not crave to think of my disappointment, after you had been absent for four years, I am happy in the reflection the fault was not mine. Though I am sorry.

Let me tell you we have a rail road from Fulton ferry four miles out. The last news from Newark father was tolerable. I am going up soon to see him —

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to day is the fifth of July, I have not any letter from you yet, but, I hope and pray, you have ere this sent one, containing a draft, to pay of your note at least. Knowing how unprepared I am, do not forget to send as I should borrow it on your account, perhaps some from your sister, but, you know they have no more than they want. John says you ought not neglect paying your note to them as they are so unkindly disposed to you and will carry it out to the full extent therefore do be punctual to attend to it. I trust I shall not have any trouble if you remit on the sum due. The weather is extremely warm at this time you may direct to the care of Joseph Atkins Carlton Avenue. Now my child I hope you will listen to your parent as I value her peace of mind. I hope this will find you and family in good health May God protect you from all harm

Your Affectionate
Mother R Whaley

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Mr Thomas Whaley
San Diego
California

San Francisco Jan 18/54

Friend Whaley

Dear Sir / Your favour of the third Inst came duly to hand, as also the one by the previous boat, and which was answered by me in the last trip of the America dated Dec 30 as per my letter book, I have to make the same statement now that I wrote to you at that time, it is impossible for me to loan the money you wish for I am so hard up myself as to have borrowed money in use for which I am paying 3 per A Month, I have not the least doubt of raising it on bond & Mortgage on the property and very likely at 2½ per Ct per Month, but it will be necessary to send up an Abstract of title to gether with the power of Attorney, I have asked several of my friends to loan the Amount on your note alone but the excuse is you do not live in town, I have told them it is perfectly secure and good and interest and principle will be paid promptly, but they do not seem to be willing, for most of the spare

funds are locked up here at ten day for
[illegible] strange days, money
is awful scarce here, Mr Warner is
not in town this week he is expected
here the first of next week when I
will call on him and see if any arrangement
can be made to get the money of him
I used to receive money on deposit for the
purpose of loaning but not for the last
two months I have not had one dollar
for that purpose, Messrs H & R Kenoe
are using all the money they have in their
business, but I will let them write
~~to you for themselves, they have a nice~~
letter to me,

I congratulate you on the increase of
family and have drank long and happy
life to the Mother and Heir, I wish
I was as fortunate as you are, but I
think that I was always intended for
a poor old batchelor, alas poor solo me,
no news in town,

Write Respts to your Lady

Yours Most Ret &c
N. E. Parrish

Aunt Mary Lowell Putnam
Aunt Ellen J. Mary Putnam
Cousin Mary Lowell Putnam

Dear Mrs Putnam I feel you will not
think it is due to bad writer this
but if you knew how hard it
has been for me to write you
believe me Please remember
me to Mrs Morton and
all friends to you
even to Dr Philip's
family who I do so delight to
remember. Please give my kind regards
to our friend Mr Blake
Pendleton, I know of no
gentleman more highly
esteemed Mr C.S. – Mr
P. is not that the
case? Please give my dear friend
my love in writing

I am hardly
able to hold my pen, yet
feel as though I must
get myself to write you
a few lines, I am sick
all the time, and have
become quite discouraged,
I have taken a severe
cold which has settled on
my Lungs, and I fear seriously
in addition to that have

inflammation of bowels I
ought to be in bed, but I felt
anxious to write you, that you
may know you are not forgotten.
Mr. Clements called a few
minutes ago, to bid me good by
as he leaves tomorrow for San Diego
he has called several times
to see me, and I was indeed
delighted to see him, for I
esteem him very highly, he
told me that you were
good friends, I thought you
would like him. I fear
he found me very dull this
morning, I felt so dreadfully
when he called. Major Brown
and Mr Hooper I have seen
also, I was pleased to see them
for although I dislike San Diego
still there are a few persons
living there, whom I esteem
very highly. Dear Friend do
come down to San Francisco
I am indeed in very bad
health, and unless I improve
soon, shall give up all hope of
ever being well again. You
do not think I am frightened
Mr Clements call but he did not
see you, to tell you he
was coming here, you wished
me to tell you about the
particular business I heard of
none, therefore think you were
mistaken with regard to it.
My dear Friend I wish you
were here, I think of
you every day and wonder
when I shall see you. I
hope Mr Whaley's business
will soon call him here
again, please give my
kind regards to him and
tell him he must not come
without bringing you with
him. I received a letter
from our Friend Mr Hoff
it was dated (on board the
Uncle Sam) May 7th, it
must have been written soon
after he left here, he said
that important business called
him to the States, but that
he would soon return again
to California, he enclosed
one of your cards (Mrs Anna
E Whaley,) I was at first puzzled

as the card dropped out
and I had not yet seen
who the letter was from
I feared that you had
started for New York. Do
you see he did not forget
us. God bless you my dear
friend. I hope soon to see
you. Do not forget me
but write often. Your last
letter was dated June 22nd
I was sorry that you did
not receive my letter until
so long after it was due. For
you thought me forgetful
when I was not. Major Brown
has kindly offered to take
this and deliver it to you.
Do not fail to answer it very
soon and tell me all the
news. My dear Uncle is well
and wishes to be remembered
to you and Mr Whaley. My cousin
Charlie is not here at present
he is living in Sacramento
His curiosity is very great to
see you as he hears the Pretty Do-

Brooklyn July 30th 1854

Dear Son.

I have no doubt but you are informed by the daily papers, that the, Cholera, has made its appearance again in our different citys the weather has been very intense and for a long time in succession. It was ~~the coldest day for~~ which I am, very thankful one needs to sit with fan in hand all the while and then not be comfortable. I have not recieved any letter from you for several Mails, I trust you have written with a remittance or they must get the money the best way they can one thing is they must look to you first as the drawer of the note as ~~you have not the least the Idea that you~~ would leave me your note to pay because I put my signature for your accomodation is ridiculous Suppose either of the others was to be in difficulty I must not aid them last they treat me ill only consider for a moment how hard it would be little did ever think you would do so or can I believe it possible

I told Mr West the other day how you were situated
and I was not in a position to pay it he said
if you would send on your note payable to him
for the amount he would pay them and wait use
till you was prepared to pay him as he consid
ered you truely honest man, he is to prevail
on Flintoff as he says they would only give you
and me trouble, and expense. They want their
money West told them your remittance had not
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proposial to Ff. he agreed to it, that is to wait
untile West could hear from you, by note or
remittance, if he gets your note for part and
part draft he says if you are not prepared
to pay all, do attend to it or they will say
Why he wont pay now that his Mother is
security, he would not have paid it. Thank
do listen to what I say the note is $.231—
therefore, if you cannot send all do the best
you can with your note to Mr West. direct
to Me, Care of Joseph Atkins Carlow Avenue L. Island Brooklyn to
Mr West care of Mr Smith, 241 nineteenth st
we are all tolerable well thank mercy so far.

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I hope you are prospering in business and will continue to do well, as one who has not been weary of well doing; may God bless your efforts, is my prayer if you do not write to me in answer to my letters I shall begin to think my letters are no longer welcome to my Son, would not that be a pity after such a long correspondence? you will say yes indeed, my Mother or I think you will.- Thomas I have made the matter as easy for you as I can I cannot find the cash as I must help her brother a little poor fellow I have promised him to do so then I have many things to attend to I wish you could send on the hundred dollars I lent you for brother as you say he ought to be assisted and put what you spare to it so that between us we can help him a little and manifest our good feelings by actions not by vain words alone promises are like pie crust to be broken; I hope and pray you will think of poor Ellen who has three fine children perhaps four only think, do let us think of our own John, would if he could, I know. then let us think of your kind father, who would think of us all if he was living and what his will would be be if he was here

I must purchase land for a burial spot this month that must be cash paid down with many other expences John must attend to it, I think it will be at Greenwood, if I reside in Brooklyn, it will be near for me to visit now and then, as I long to have it attended too — August 3d no letter as yet from you I had a letter yesterday from aunt B, she says Angelina is sick with a nervous fever she was unable to endure the noise of the school next to Fathers so she has gone to Johns fathers so Aunt B is taking care of Father, who is pretty well, Aunt B, has had fever Ague is better, I am very comfortably situated at present in a private family they have a son Thomas, near 20 years old I continue to think that B is far preferable to N.Y — if you direct for me at Brooklyn mind to put L Island or N.Y, as I think I have lost 2 letters from Priscilla by her neglect, as there are many Brooklyns, — only think near a year since you left N.Y no doubt you often think of it — I do not think Dayton will pay that note you may see to I hope you have sold your lot ere this to a good advantage if so you will be in good funds I advise you to be very carefull as it is most agreeable to be quite independant at least I find it so. Now my dear child I must com mend you to the protection of a kind providence to whom we must all look, your Affectionate Mother

R. Whaley.

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Francisco Rodriguez has the honour to inform you of his marriage with Miss Concepcion Rocha, & in order to celebrate this event he asks the favour of your company to a ball which will be given at the City House 8 o'clock this evening –

San Diego Sept 2 – 1854

Mr & Mrs Bailey & Family

Brooklyn, Sept 17th — 1854

My Dear Son

Your kind letter of Aug 13th came safe to hand, which gave me great satisfaction I did indeed conceive that you was growing quite negligent of your maternal duty, as your letters were infrequent I was pleased to read that you had been building likewise, of your great expectations, in real Estate grant that you may not be disappointed especially in the suit, as you appear so sanguine on the occasion, I trust business will brighten up ? but how will you have more time ? is Mr Painter there, as I saw the death of a Mr P. in San Diego ? How is Mr Hinton ?
Yes, your letter to John has been received John will attend to it particularly then your offer is liberal, I hope he will pay it for certain, as you have favoured him so highly I have heard little of him of late No, doubt I will have no stone unturned when the note is due I went up to J yesterday so as to gain all the intelligence for you I could I called on Weston the way he said Plaintiff was impatient for the payment as he had told them I was expecting a remittance from you as I was not able to pay it likewise the Epidemic prevailing I have not seen W. for some time I told him I was

certain you would have sent all or part by this I told
him of Palmers note which you had sent on to John
for collection he asked me if it was the $ Mr Smith had
to call on I said yes but you had settled with him when
you was in City he had given you his note he thought
you stood on better ground if he will only pay all will
will, as I have great to do this fall a place of burial
must be decided upon John, is to meet me on sept wednesday
to go to the Greenwood office, to get a lot as I think I should
prefer it there, I may not get a large lot then I should like a
Monument to be erected to your, dear father, all this you
must know will take money, if I cannot see it while I
live it shall be done after, I depart, I can not call on
any of you for aid, only you are able then I must help
poor Ellen, I expect he is vexed with me and will not
accept when I remit, as he will not inform me the
way to send it or will he answer a letter I write I feel
angry at times, but, only wait until I can spare $100 -
then he must and will be more clever he or she has not
written a line to, E, or John since they were here, I con-
sider it perfectly unkind J—, feels it very much I heard
from him a few week ago Wm was there I am certain
J— entertained them to the utmost of his power. I did not
understand that you was indebted to any one but me in
City. I should certainly expect it to be paid from Palmers note
Thomas, I should heartily rejoice in your good fortune if you only
gain the Rincon $ suit, then you may return home to your
native soil which you have forsaken so long do hurry to make a
good pile quicker as you say you can do better in Cal. Hence

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I understand all the Slaughter houses are to be moved but
I cannot tell justly the time what will be done then you
may be home to help decide as you are a good calculator
Thomas I am sorry you differ so widely from Mr Wilcox
John and myself in respect to paying smiths interest
all you argue is true but you take it the same
view as we do you may return and do business then you
would feel more just confidence I am perfectly willing
that you should pay it and charge me with it as they did
not trouble and put you to extra cost I even feel grateful to
them for the respect shown to you and I I think I am right
likewise you are not wrong but the sum is small and they
could not help but esteem you more than the value of the
payment I am willing to gain you that estimation if why
will you refuse, do not feel respect with me as other who are
good friends to you, say the same, you can promise them and
take your own time to pay it no more on that subject
Thomas, your Sister's new house is a fine large look like its Mother
had it been a boy I should like it named after you; the other grows
finely talks some words very active fond of Grand mamma
John's little ones are looking fine and well, John has full confidence
in his employer success, he would fix up his house this fall if he
had his money, they have entered a suit against the Company
for the Large on the Tower, it was to be tried in August
but they postponed it so it lays, I hope he will meet with luck as
I consider he a good man, We are all tolerable well at present
the warm weather has tired me very much, The people at
Olmar are talking Father wants me to come and

keep house for him, but I decline as I have business in, city, frequently. When I do not like Newark, I think if Angeline give up Priscilla is the right best. A. has had a nervous fever of late is better the cholera has been very fatal there this summer. your little niece Rachel H. W. Hilf, wants to write your letter and give me a piece of candy to let her, do so, but I tell it is for her Uncle in Cola. she will soon be able to use your present knife & fork. I think when you have an offspring, it will be entitled to the same attention I shall see Mr West in a few days to know hear from Flintoff Now if he will wait your time were and good if not. suppose Mr West will pay them you sending on a part and do not to W. for the ballance I think he will help you out if you will send on some in case Palmers note should not be paid we will get Flintoff to have a little more patience as I do not have any thing to do with Flip, I wish it was paid and then you would be out of their power. write soon what you say to this I expect to remain at the same place of board this winter May the Lord prosper us all is your

Affectionate Mother wish
Rachel Haley

P.S. I will write a few lines to Hen today
we are all making arrangements for his leave and see him keep his wedding and take residence that will be grand I shall dream of you more than ever now

New York le 19. Sept. 1854.

Ma chère Anna.

A mon retour de Tivoli j'ai trouvé trois lettres de toi cher enfant: la première datée du 6 Juin, la seconde du 19. et par laquelle j'ai reçu les cinquante dollars dont tu parle dans la précédente et la troisième du 3 Août et par laquelle tu m'envoie le Duplicat.

Tes lettres chère Anna sont bien consolantes pour ta pauvre mère; elles me prouvent que tu m'aimes et que je puis compter que tu ne me négligeras jamais ce que me donne la force de supporter ton absence et ma triste position. Ensuite, ta santé, qui me donnait tant d'inquiétude et l'espoir de ta revoir bientôt tout cela me sauve la vie je suis sure que je serais morte si ~~ja~~ tu m'avais négligée mais Dieu te bénira chère enfant pour ta bonne conduite envers ta mère. le Ciel bénit toujours les

Le Leonard rêve nous a bien fait rire Amélie et moi.
Je croyais que tu ne dormais pas. Parlé-moi de
ce qui était dans ses sacs. Je crois que tu as
trouvé. Dis-moi si rêve je croyais être dans
une rue et a un de nos chaises. Ma maman
comme d'habitude pour me lire une petite histoire
racontée et quand je suis arrivée mon lit je me
parais dit tu me dis que tout ce qui est une idée
toujours dans mon esprit rient et tu es aussi
bien. La première chose que j'ai fait en arrivant
ici. Chez
Ça été de prendre la clef pour aller chez
Anna. Au bain avant dans le moment
surtout il y a un conseil. Et moi je demande
de à aller au bain. Je l'ai dit écrit à
cet égard. Dis bien bien de ne rien laisser de bon
pour monter rien dessus. Je crois bien que tu
Bayne pas ma dans point. Je crois pas les bras que
dessus de la tête. Le matin prendre une tasse de
bon chocolat, le soir manger du pain, du cakes, du
fé te recommande surtout les bouillons, vin de
quinine. Tri bien de légumes. Si tu as envie de quel
que chose et que cela te dérange pas. Goûte-toi
toujours à ta fantaisie. Laisse agir la nature, tous
gais et que rien ne te chagrine. Ne fais pas
des ouvrages forts. Prends tout tous les jours
surtout pas de fatigue. Si tu peux, tu ne
peux prendre trop de précaution. Si tu avais
avec une petite servante pour faire faire
les travaux les plus fatigants du ménage.
Je te commande toi à Dieu et à ses saints
Je te recommande tes couches et ceux
qui seront en parade malades et ceux qui
[illegible] dans cet état

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[illegible] à un quart
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Oct.

1854

New York December 4th 1854.

My dear Sister

You write that you do not receive any letters from any of us it is very strange as we have written, both Mother and I, why you have not received them I cannot tell. You must not feel uneasy we are all well I returned from the country the first of Nov the family were very sorry to part with me but I returned rather late in the season for Scholars. but hope that I may still find some I am extremely glad to hear that you enjoy such good health also that I shall soon be an aunty If it be a girl call it after me let us know as soon as possible if it be a gal or a boy as we intend to send something, Mother when she goes out walking always stopes to look in the windows of the shops at the baby clothes such as Cloaks bugs and so forth, Well you tel me when how I may send a small package to you as I have three yards of very handsome lace from Paris I wish to send you half of it as it will make you a handsome collar. Do not forget to send a lock of your hair in your next letter as I want to have a bracelet made of it give my love to your husband tell him I think that he might write a line to me Adieu dear Sister and believe me ever

your affectionate Sister) Amelia V. Spannay

New York le 11 Dec. 1854.

Chère Anna.

Il part un Steamer demain : je ne puis résister à l'envie que j'ai de t'écrire et quoique je n'aie rien de nouveau à t'apprendre je pourrai au moins te répéter combien tes lettres me rendent heureuse et il me semble aussi que le temps passe plus vite. Mais. Le temps passe, disons-nous, nous nous trompons. Le temps reste, c'est nous qui passons. Comme nous croyons que tout change, quand c'est nous qui changeons. J'ai été bien heureuse de recevoir de tes nouvelles le mois dernier j'en ai reçu deux lettres de toi et ce mois-ci une j'y ai répondu le 25. te faisant réception du Draft. Si tu savais chère Anna combien je pense à toi jour et nuit et combien je désire te revoir, mais un jour je l'espère où nous ne nous quitterons plus. Si ma pauvre Amélie était mariée sans être éloignée de moi car je ne pourrais jamais consentir à être séparée d'elle

ou si j'y consentais je ne pourrais jamais
vivre sans elle à moins que tu ne fusses
de retour. Mais grâce à toi chère enfant
ma santé est meilleure je dis grâce à toi,
car si tu m'avais négligée, je serais morte
de chagrin. Mais Dieu te bénira! Ne m'en
blâme pas ta pauvre vieille mère. Je ne cesse
de prier Dieu pour toi et ton mari que
est si bon pour toi. Aimes-le de tous
ton coeur et rappelle-toi que, "Dans le champ
de la vie il faut semer des fleurs;
et c'est nous trop souvent qui faisons nos
malheurs."

Tu désires savoir si j'aime l'idée d'être grand-
mère? Sans doute j'en aime l'idée;
mais je serais bien plus contente si
tu étais ici. Peter, lorsque j'ai lu ce
passage de ta lettre, a répondu, "Give me
my dinner quick, et Amélie a dit,
"Oh! Mother you need everything about."
Cependant je sais très bien que malgré
tout cela elle sera bien fier d'être tante
elle veut que ce soit une fille et qu'elle
la nomme Amélie. Tant qu'à moi, ce
qui m'intéresse dans tout cela c'est
que tu en sois quitte et que tes couches

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saient bonnes. C'est ce qu'il y a de plus
pénible pour moi, d'être éloignée de toi
dans un moment pareil. Mais enfin tu
es entre bonnes mains et il faut se
résigner et mettre sa confiance en Dieu.
Tu nous marque dans ta dernière que
Mr Sutton est en visite chez-vous. Cela
nous a beaucoup étonné car on nous
avait dit qu'il était mort. Dis-lui
qu'il ne manque pas de venir nous
voir lorsqu'il sera de retour à N.J.
Nous avons été bien aise d'apprendre que
Elise a une petite fille. et que Mr
Warner se porte bien; j'espère qu'il
fait bien ses affaires. A N.J. les
affaires n'ont jamais été si mauvaises
et la misère si grande. Peter est
toujours avec Underhill; il travaille
depuis six heures du matin jusqu'à
six heures et demies du soir. On ne lui
a pas encore augmenté ses gages et
il n'ose rien dire parce que puisque
tous les établissements renvoient la
moitié de leurs ouvriers; de sorte qu'il
patiente jusqu'à ce que les temps soient
meilleurs. Amélie n'a pas encore d'Elm,

et moi je n'en ai que deux. Tu dois penser qu'elle bien nous fait ce que tu m'envoie et c'est pourquoi je me suis décidée à rester où nous sommes jusqu'au mois de Mai prochain.

Tu as donc un petit chien que tu appelle Tippoo! Notre pauvre Tippoo a été bien malade; j'ai cru qu'elle allait mourir il y a deux ou trois semaines. Je crois qu'on lui a fait du mal elle a une rupture et elle était si gonflée qu'elle ne pouvait plus monter les escaliers. Cependant elle est beaucoup mieux et je crois qu'elle ne mourra pas encore.

Dis-moi chère Anna, comment vous les affaires à San-Diego! Je lis toujours le journal lorsqu'il arrive un Steamer, mais les journaux ne font jamais mention de San-Diego. Mais il faut que je finisse ma lettre.

Ton père et ta Sœur t'embrasse de tout cœur et prient Mr Whaley de leur écrire quelques lignes.

Dieu te bénisse. Ta mère affectionnée

V. E. Lannay.

Brooklyn Oct 15th 1854

Dear Son.

I was at Mr West yesterday to get a letter from as the California mail arrived but not a line, I rather felt much disappointed why do you neglect to write I should say you would feel anxious to know how your affairs are progressing I was obliged yet your note with Hine renewed for six months as you expected Pelham to pay his note this I told West to tell F— when he called for the note. as Mr W. leaves Fulton St the first of November, I do not know what I shall do as he is so kind when called upon on all occasions I find you a friend in need, is a friend indeed though your letters come very safe. directed to Brooklyn Post office care of Joseph Allison Carlton Avenue Brooklyn the family I board with I shall get a flat in greenwood farm is to see to the removal this fall for certain. so I shall not be to blame as I have been saving money to apply for the purpose as I desire to dwell in B— I chose the Avenue in this place as the most agreeable to us all. —

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ment she has a fine little babe 2 months old quite Smith did even
pretty a little mouth I think the eyes will be blue my Sister had
she looks like her mother I wish it had looked to you did not de
like me the eldest is growing fast and getting fat all but took b
very active speaks many words just 18 month way she is at b
I was up to Newark a few days ago father is not father and Jo
very smart he encountered a hot summer there J, is not doing
the Cholera was very bad there which caused calculator, Pa
great excitement, but since he has attained his do better alone
92 year Sept 16 — 1854 — I did not see Mrs Kip have to go to J
Richard came up from CY very sick his lungs is when he had
affected she will have to get other assistance to business tools
serve people her brother in law has administered Thomas I she
to his father in laws personal Estate of $1,700, which with Palmer
was in Henry Kips hands and sued Mrs Kip so fore I wish yo
you see she will know it feels and right to pay I lin to
she should I guess her trouble will not end there at once wh
as people begin to want there payments as she as you can pa
has of them —— Father said he wished me be able to re
to speak to her I told him I felt myself very hopes Palmer
unkindly treated and was sorry I could not be pleased to
comply with his request he did not much like me be paid an
to refuse him I told him we were good friends wonders that
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could not brook such treatment when Mr Smith did even ask me to sign the note but my Sister had you cast in prison at a time you did not deserve it as you meant honest to all but look her part but I let him have his way, she is at board give use keeping house father and John Kip is her security, but I hear J, is not doing well, means well, but a poor calculator, Patrick has left him as he could do better alone, I am sorry for him he will have to go to journey mans work, what a pity when he had the advantage of his fathers busings tools and stock, but enough of this Thomas I shall hear how successfule J is with Palmer, and will let you know therefore I wish you to hold yourself in readiness to pay J lin toff and let the affair be settled at ounce what use of paying interest any longer as you can pay it if you please I trust you be able to return to your native land ere I am in hopes Palmer will pay, his not John would be pleased to get fifty Dol and H note and be paid and settled as it is time Mr West wonders that you have not sent I told him about $ note, then he appeared more easy — I have not heard from Hen since he wrote to you, though I write to him he does not write to John at all, I am J entertained him the best in his power John is good
much

I wish his employer would pay him, I am so fearful but I has full confidence I trust he will not be as sadly mistaken as you have I shall never cease to pray and hope for your prosperity therefore my dear boy do not forget your parent whose interest is blended with yours May God bless you in all you undertak to perform] do write if it is decided about the Rail Road at San Diego, I hope you continue to enjoy good as usual this leaves us all tolerable I have written frequent to you of late do you write soon and say when you will pay it, in case S. should not pay as it ought to be paid it will be out of my power to do any thing with it as the plot and the mind with Hen will take all my cash on hand if it holds out I do not wish to call on any one not even my own Good bye my Son

Your Affectionate Mother

R. Whaley

San Diego, October 11th 1854

Dear Mother,

I have not time to say much owing to the wreck of the Steamer Yankee Blade. The time for a week past has been full of her passengers. To day they have to return to San Francisco. You will find the particulars of the disaster in the papers more fully than I can give them. I enclosed you in my last a note made payable to you for the balance due Hinloff. as you without. It is not in my power to pay him at present and in case you are obliged to ask my security you will have my note for the amount until such time as I can send you the money. You must not think hard of me even month as I have done all that lies in my power. I hope that Palmer will pay his note for $295.00 in which case you will get the money much sooner than I can send it. Austin Sutton is still with me. He is a first rate fellow and a smart young man. I have no doubt but that he will do well. The great excitement here is the building of the rail road from this place to the mouth of the Gila River. Austin takes an important part in it and in case of the work

going into operation he will get a good berth on the road. He has heard that Anson G Phelps has left him something in his will and when he is assured of it he will probably go to New-York. Anson desires to be remembered to you - and says if he goes to New York he will pay you his respects. The climate here is beautiful at this season of the year and we have an abundance of grapes peaches &c — I am getting on pretty well in my business considering the dullness of the times. It is probable that I shall dissolve partnership with Mr Morse the 1st of next April and as I cannot do well without a partner I shall make Henry an offer in time for him to come out I may better take in my brother than admit a stranger again. I will write more upon the subject when things have been determined upon and I have the money to send on to pay his expenses of coming. You need not write to him to make his expectations until I inform you more definitely — My health continues good and I have no reason to complain with my lot. Remember me to all and believe me as ever Your affectionate Son

Theo Whaley

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Mrs Rachel Whaley.
Brooklyn -
New York.

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Thos Whaley Esq

San Diego Oct 23rd 1874.

Just arrived from a five-days tour. Have been out with Poole & Bonsenbach and succeeded in finding a first-rate route for the Pacific R. Road by the way of Saint Isabel. Tonight the Company have a public meeting for the purpose of Electing Officers. Last Sunday we (P. R.) & myself were hard at work all day getting up a Map of our investigation It is a Beauty and a capital Report attached. We were highly complemented by all that have seen and heard it read

Your Vote will be required but alas you have left! No Proxy. Moon will be on the carpet for Treasurer Pendleton for Secretary. My name stands out in bold relief as the discoverer of the new route on the Map. "We are going up" On our travels out at St Marks we fell on a gold mine which as Mt. Rose says "If it pays" he will give me the finest Horse in California and a Silver Mounted Saddle He has ordered down from his Ranche 2 Mules and provisioned us for fourteen days (Rausenbach) So you may rest assured to hear of the greatest discovery in Gold this side

of the Jordon. Things go on swimingly & the excitement now is this evening RR Meeting. Capt Burton U.S.A. has subscribed $10.000 And as the Meeting will be a Public one the $15.000 will be obliged to be put "up"

If I should not return before you come home you will find the "Key" of your Room in the Butt-Room behind the door. By the way your appartment is full of "Fleas". Mrs Robinson is taking care of your birds or at least Mrs Wheley's. The dog still continues to sleep at the room door. Rats in abundance. Town dull.

Yes a fine "Spree" the day you left and have sworn off for "Ever" The bar tender looks at me and smiles. You did not mention to Mrs to let me have what little funds I required, but at any rate I borrowed some of them on my own face. Tell Mrs Wheley to keep an eye out for the "Pretty" and if possible bring one down. Marked Right side up with care

If he should see any of my interested friends remember me to them. Not forgetting those I owe.

Poole. Rauenbach & Sutton have received our appointment as Engineers of the proposed Pacific R Road.

Business dull. and raining

like from you about delay self on & Mr The Style Com the Has and Sorry some off the Gene of Kin chil

like the way L. C. said it will stop one from going out Gold-Hunting. I wish you were here to day and see the excitement about the RR Meeting I anticipate a delightful time. Last night Mop Poole & myself were on two committees one at 7 o'clock on "Proposed Route" and the other on "Way & Means" at Judge Robinsons Office at Mokelumne Hill We have the thing "Got" up in splendid style. There are no less than four large Committees to wait on the President at the opening of this evening Meeting. Stock has gone up par 40¢. The Stock Books are filled and the $15.000 taken.

We were on our Investigation some 6 days and out of the whole time only off of our Mules 14 Hours. Mr Rose stood the Brunt of the whole. I now become his right hand man since him and Mr & Mrs Fisher General fight which wound up [redacted] of partnership. They now live on [redacted] Corner

You must remember me kindly to Mrs Whaling and independent of that be very careful about her. As to bringing her down here if she is liable to sea sickness. Mrs Thorne is very unwell and was not expected to live owing to the operation she had to go through in her child-birth the child was taken from her in pieces.

Poole & lady has moved in Clayton Row and is now a constant visitor, And many others that used to give the General a wide berth when you were here. He now to be seen daily. Gold is head clerk Mr M. is seller to Mr. town meeting.

As for the subscriber he enjoys himself and has made a new acquaintance Mr Franklin knows all I know and much besides

Wishing you, lady, a pleasant trip

Truman Griffith

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Obituary

In the City of San Diego Oct 28th 1874 after a sudden stop of a Cat, one of Mrs Whaleys Twin birds in its second year of its age

The friends of the family & also Mrs Robinsons relations are respectfully invited to attend her funeral this afternoon at 4 o'clock from Judge Robinsons Row without further notice

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Stop in at Sullivans or Stillman Bookstore & get me the Catalogue on R.P. Works

I thought if it could be possible to raise the $1000 at a moderate percentage it would be just the thing. The manufacture of Whiskey and the refuse from it, will feed sufficients number of Pigs to make a man rich in a few years. Mr R. has been in the business in Great Salt Lake City and would have done well but owing to not conforming to the Mormon ideas he was obliged to fly

I wish you would procure for me a book on Distillation and see what a Still of 32 p Gall is worth also what Brick is worth & Flooring and Soft Pine Wood.

I think the money can be raised. If not I will give you and John Nicholson a Rub so he telegraphed for an attack. Mr Roe has offered Mr R & myself his four Mile property free of cost for 3 years. "Tom" owe a Thousand & I'll pay you well. It is remarkable that there are no letters for me from U.S. As for the eye being open the fact of the matter is that I have not been to the house 3 days in all, since you left. But I see Mr Camp is strictly on the no credit system and nothing doing but R Roading.

So not forget my Work and the other little items. Tell Mrs Whaley to give my love to all our girls and do not indulge too freely with the "Claret Wine". But old friend J. Ames the Editor is on a drunk. Salmon is "dissolved" & goes up in the America. Grow slack. The Boundary Surveyors go away in a day or 2 U.S. Train start out tomorrow Yours as of old

A. G. P.

[redacted] Excuse all for I am in Haste, I off for the Ranche the next Morning.

San Diego. Nov 8th 1854

Friend Tom

Yours of the 4th came duly to hand. As for writing, you will find two letters at Mess Hedges & Pickett's office. Sorry you cannot sell. And, it will be an "impossible" thing for you to canvass for your Secretaryship, as you are not a signer to the new subscription list. The stock of the road is all taken and many subscribers refused. The Charter is at this moment as dead signed and on its way to Washington. Mr Satchel was the bearer of the "doct." Happy to hear Mrs Wheeler is in good health and beg to be remembered to her. As to birds and dog they are enjoying themselves. I have been out for a week at Mr Ross's Ranche and had a sad accident occur to me in the way of Bursting a Rifle. "But as the old ladies say it might have been worse". Next Monday if alive Col Fenel Judge Robinson and myself and others make a tour to the Secret. for the purpose of sending a report out to Washington to counteract the effects of the Northern or Williamson Route. "We are working Hard"

The subscriber has another project on hand that is in going into the Sistile business with a Mr Rauscinbead. He understands it finely. "You cant imagine it Porter" The gentleman I speak of is our friend the Road Engineer and a fine man. We have been making calculations on the matter & find it will pay handsome. The only object is the "Woman" And it will require about $2000

Nov

1854

Grass Valley Nov 2d/54

Friend Mahaley

I received your letter this Morning stating what you have done in regard to our Ravine Ground Property and am perfectly satisfied with it your letter found Ma sick I took a severe cold below and have been unwell ever since so you must not think of leaving until this business is settled

I shall send you a Draft for the first instalment so that you will receive it on Monday Morning

Best I will say all Means let me see you with yours now is the time Make the best bargain you can and I will be satisfied. I will come down any time to Execute the papers and for me the same as you would for yourself and I will be satisfied I think we should sell by all means let me hear from you in the course of this

Your Respectfully

M. M. Magill

Brooklyn Novr 5th 1854

Dear Son -

yours dated Sept 14th came to hand only a week since why did I not receive it before very strange! did you send it by private conveyance I was very sorry to learn that business was so poor but, I should have thought you would have been prepared to have paid $21 — in more months at least or a part — as was responsible for your I was obliged to get your note renewed for six months longer from Augt 23d — therefore I trust you make every moment to pay it when due as I shall be out of funds being resolved to get a lot in Greenwood and put up a monument to your Father's memory which will cost some hundreds there fore that will disable me from paying your note to H — why not pay them as well as a Sutton he will hang on you as long as he can better that you had never seen him you say he is steady yes, because he has not much to spend but you will not care for what I say thought, I am your Mother and a friend when called upon giving children the preference

I do not receive any in return which grieves me sadly
but, what am I to do you might listen to me as I
am far from wishing you any ill or taking any
advantage of you only see how you have befriended
others, I am truly sorry that you feel discouraged
I should not think to leave as you have real Estate
in San D— but I cannot advise you there any more
than I could in E S Y— you think I know so little
my knowledge has seemed thus far, to provide for my
wants or. who could I call upon mercy knows, my
father, is not able You say I write severe letters
I consider I am quite patient towards you I
do not to be worried about your payments
and have written you great reasons why
neither do I recommend you to make any
sacrafice of property but I think you ought
to have attended to Flintoft's affairs as they
may come upon me I not being prepared
ere you engaged in other affairs I think it is
because you do not mind as I am responsible
how much difficultty I have about it, Indeed
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just as I say no one to call on for a dollar and to the crape shawls dont take the least trouble about them let those who deserve them more have them only I should have been pleased to have exhibited them as your present I saw John a week ago he had been unsuccessful in finding Palmer, I presume it will end like all others you have sent for collection, you may be sure it should be paid forth with if P— only pay his note, I think he is a mean man to treat you as he has done Now what will think of Charley if he refuses to pay his note John could not find him in Wall Street, they say he lives in Brooklyn I feel as you say worried when I think of it you recommend me to pay F— I cannot possibley do so as the burial affair will take more than I have to spare as I wish to have a good one — the Lot, fence, removal, and Monument only consider them where would I find money to pay Flintoff, I should say you had a great deal of money owing to you in Bal I am glad Thompson is doing well as I thought well of him and hope he will prosper We are all tolerable at present I trust you have

health and happiness with better success in business so that you will be able to pay off your liabilities and help any one you please as you are so very liberal minded I am glad you have a good stock of goods on hand which will be disposed of in time I trust the ladies you escorted to their better half have manifested their gratitude towards you by their agreeable conduct I presume you can tell how you like your new abode by this time I hope well. in your last you did not write much like making a pile in quite such a hurry as in the preceding letter, I flattered myself you would return home in haste, but, I am doomed to disappointments. Thomas, I am sorry you think I would do you the least injustice in saying I think you might have paid $, 2 25, in nine months doing the great business you said you was when I saw you, then you could have any amount you called for, but, when you read what important business I apply my funds to you will not wonder that I shall be short of money as well as but be glad yourself, but I have to close in haste I hope never to have reason to write you any unkind letters again as you will not fail in six months from the 23d of Augt to be ready. I will often think of you my child Your affectionate Mother

E. Haley.

San Francisco, November 11th 54.

Friend Moses,

I have had the devil's own time of it. It does seem I am spell-bound in this place. I had every assurance that I would get away to day, but I am disappointed. My lots that I offered at auction I could not sell at one third their value, consequently they were all bid in by a friend. Yesterday the 25 for for the State interest became due and I was obliged to loan the money temporarily until such time I can make a permanent loan for the money and this I hope to be able to do when Rainard returns, and then go down to San Diego probably by the next steamer. If business was brisk I should feel quite anxiety about being away so long but I know there is not more than one can easily attend to. If was a mean disposition to dispose of a piece of property I have tried to dispose of mine. I have given the matter my first attention since I came here, even offering at sheriff sale one half what the auctioneers said it was worth but without being able to effect a sale though I thought I had done so a dozen times. I am fully convinced that this is not the time to deal real estate. I mean

could hardly be found to take a piece of property, if
it were given to him, if he were obliged to pay for mak-
ing the deeds. I shall not think of offering mine again
until there is a movement in the real estate market.
There is scarcely a piece of property offered for sale at
public auction upon which a bona fide bid is made.
Well I am satisfied to hold mine believing that in
a year or two it will be worth a great deal more
money than I have offered it for. The state's interest
will cost me nearly three thousand dollars. The land
knows whether I shall be better off for it, but I think I
have saved from different sources in order to pay the
ten and twenty five per cent instalment $1050.00
and this amount I want to raise upon my note
for three months that I may pay back the sums borrowed
and then go to San Diego. I think I can arrange it
when Raymond returns so as to leave by the next boat.
You would try to do without me a while longer.
I met Warren this morning. His ranch is confirmed and
he is trying to effect a loan upon it. He sends the morta-
gage down to day and also to get Wm Ryan's certifi-
cate of the record of his ranch. When he received this
he will have no difficulty in raising the money so as
to be able to leave here in two weeks from to day
for San Diego and settle up all old scores there.
I met Walton also told him I was hard up and
that I wished him to pay me $100.50 I lent him
some time ago. He declared he had not over

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ten cents and that he had not been a dol-
lar of his own for the last four months! He
hopes soon to have the editing of a paper in
~~San Diego~~ Sacramento. The last news I have
heard of from Mitchell about the railroad. He
showed me the copy of the charter. I am
glad to see that you are one of the directors.
I would not have missed being in San Diego at
the formation of the company for a great deal for
I know I should have come in for something — I am
glad however that the company has been formed.
It has my best wishes and all the good I can pos-
sibly do for it. And I would like to go down to
day on account of this rail road business! but it
is of no use. I must remain a week longer.
Talisch has been writing to subscribe to the stock if
if we can possibly build the road without thinking
I think it would be most decidedly to our interest.
I go home and stay for the rail-road and if I had
disposed of my own estate then I should have doubled
the amount of stock I have subscribed and invested
the balance in real estate in San Diego. But what is
the use of pining perhaps at some future time. I may.
Nash, I understand, has subscribed largely. He must
have changed his views greatly since I sold him last.
I send Sexton's watch by Mr Mitchell. Tell him it
keeps fair time I have worn it over a week during
which time it has not varied over a minute. Charge him $100

Conklin's watch is uncertain but it needs regulating. If you get the cash for Bagley's saddle deduct the cards and the cost of recording deeds. Remit the money to Hedges & Pickett with instructions to pay it over to Bagley upon his giving them any receipt for the saddle. Remember me to Mr Sutter. I have not time to

Mr E. W. Moore
"General Store"
San Diego

write to him. There were no letters at the Post Office for him after the arrival of the last mail. I have not yet received the letters which you wrote he enclosed to me. Mrs Wheaton respects to him and says he must take good care of the bridge and keep little dog Tejoo.

Yours &c
Geo W Wheaton

I am not allowed to the orders in your last and having money I hope to get home by most time at the latter end of the month

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Brooklyn Decr 4th 1854

Dear Son,

Yours of Oct 11th came safe to hand informing me of your health and happiness more than Dr Tip can boast off, though he was so smart when you was here, he and his Mother sailed for Florida, two weeks ago, as his Dr told him it was all and the best advice, he could give, as his lungs was much affected, Thomas, I am much surprised that you write so strange in reference to your settlement with Hentoff, if you cannot pay all, send on part you know you led me to believe that you could care for any amount of mony, and have it, and now not pay the small sum of 1,200, as you there called it in a year, how can I listen silently to such tales, I should think you might have as good thoughts for me as you would have for strangeers, why did you find cash for Mr Pool to send for his wife if it straightned you so much, I do not like you to leave me to others

You might say your receive my letters as stale the trouble to write

peoples money, you say you are bound to pay
Anson Tutton, I am bound to prepare a lot for
your fathers burial place, and put up a monu-ment
which will cost considerable and you well know
I had no cash on hand when yo left after paying
you, what you demanded, I do not ask any help
from you. therefore, I trust you will not hin-der
me from prosecuting my worthy plans,
as John said "you cared more for strangers
than you did for your own relations", but, as
you please, I cannot forget my own, as well
you know it. your note to me becomes due
next month, let me tele you, I cannot pay it
to Flintoff I am sorry to let them see you
are so tardy, I told West to tele them of
Palmers note which would moderate a little
John cannot find him, called on Putnam he
would give but little information said he had
not seen him for a long time, so if he can
find him he will, I did intend to call on
Wardle, and Puffer and Newman but the
weather has been very cold for the last 4 days

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I intended you to send a note payable to Mr West and I would get him to pay it – but perhaps he might not have as great confidence in you, as he had, as you have been so tardy in your remittances. I could not have supposed it would have been the case with you, as you had a liberal time to pay it in, but if you have done better with your money to build and other investment it will be a great accomodation to pay interest of 7 per cent a while longer, but do send on part soon as you can and free me from any liability as I do not admire, to be called on for money I am unable to pay, as money is heard to collect and will bring a great discount, as this you know more than I can tell you do not say I am urking in writing thus, as I consider it correct and who would not in a Mothers defense, do not neglect to write next Mail you may like to know that we are all well though you never say a word to my many communications, therefore I may become weary in well doings, not that I wish to reprove you, you may not have recieved my letters John is in trouble with his employer as he cannot find money to pay his men and the suit for the tower is put off untill a month

I feel sorry for him as I is a man of good intentions I hope he will get cash when the suit is settled I hope and trust you are prospering in your business] as you say give over aiding strangers help your own, do not take Anson in business if Phelps, has left him cash, he had better be looking brisk after it, and not living on you he is a mean man, you want get clear of him in haste — your climate must be fine to produce such fine fruit but it is a consolation to me to read that you have such great comforts ah! my boy little do you know about matters & what you will, I guess you begin know that it is possible to do to much for some people I am glad you think to dissolve with Morse, I shall not say much to allure Henry, as I know the poor fellow was much disappointed before I have just received a long interesting letter from the misses Demenux they are well and happy prospering slowly they inform me that Mrs Stoddard is again troubled with aberration of mind. I was sadly grieved to read it as she was in a most deplorable situation before and may have to go to Utica, again poor woman Mr John Loyer has departed this life 4 page

Senor

New York le 4 Dec. 1854.

Chère Anna.

J'arrive de donner une Leçon et je trouve ta Soeur occupée à lire une lettre de toi qu'elle vient de recevoir à l'instant. et je m'empresse d'y répondre. ce qui fait trois lettres depuis le 25 Nov. la première datée Oct. 23. contenait le Draft pour cinquante dollars la seconde datée Sandiego 11 th et la troisième datée San Francisco Nov. 8 th. Dieu soit béni! tu te portes bien! N'ayant pas reçu de tes nouvelles depuis le mois d'Août je commençais à être inquiète et lorsque j'ai reçu ta première lettre la semaine dernière j'étais si agitée que je l'ai déchirée en morceaux lorsque j'ai vu l'écriture de ton mari j'ai cru que tu étais accouchée. Oh! que je voudrais être auprès de toi quand ce moment-là va arriver! mais ne crains rien tout ira bien je l'espère surtout si tu ne commets pas d'imprudence

Il est étonnant que tu n'ais pas reçu de lettres cependant Amélie et moi

nous t'avons écrit le 5 Sept. Mais comme je
n'ai pas porté les lettres à la poste de Broad
peut-être aura-t-on négligé de les mettre
à la poste. Voilà peut être la raison que tu
n'as pas reçu de réponse. Je te marquais
que j'avais reçu les Draft et le Duplic
J'arrivais de la campagne où j'avais é
passer deux Semaines avec Amélie. à Tiv
l'air des Montagnes m'a fait beaucoup a
bien je suis beaucoup plus forte. J'ai
une leçon tous les jours chez Mrs Fox
dans la 4ième Avenue entre la 20ième et 21
rues j'ai eu aussi Mrs Telfair pendant
deux mois, mais elle est repartie pour
Savannah. Samedi dernier je n'ai donc que
deux Elèves. Peter est toujours chez Unders
il travaille bien assidument depuis six heur
du matin jusqu'à six heures et demies du so
on ne lui a pas encore augmenté son
Salaire et lui n'ose rien dire à présent
que les temps sont si durs et que les
plus grands établissements renvoient les
trois quarts de leurs ouvriers d'autres
ferment leur établissement enfin c'e
une détresse parmi les Mecanics. les
affaires sont mortes à N-Y. et Dieu

ce que vont devenir tous ces pauvres ouvriers et leurs familles à l'entrée de l'hiver lorsque les provisions sont hors de prix les rentes de même le charbon aussi. C'est pourquoi je n'ai pas pris d'emménagement j'ai cherché pendant un mois je n'ai rien pu trouver à moins de trois cents cinquante à quatre cents pour un second de sorte que nous nous sommes décidés à rester où nous sommes jusqu'au mois de Mai prochain. Nous avons pris les deux chambres sur le même plancher ce qui est plus commode. On espère que les rentes baisseront cette année alors nous pourons nous procurer un logement plus convenable je l'espère.

Tes lettres m'ont fait beaucoup de plaisir chère Anna tu me marque dans ta première qu'Elise a une petite fille. Comme tu le dis bien elle ne peut plus être vieille-fille la voilà Mère! elle doit être bien heureuse certainement que son sort est préférable à celui d'une vieille fille. et Mr Warner fais lui bien mes compliments. Il devrait envoyer chercher son frère Tom. j'espère qu'il fait de bonnes affaires et qu'il

[illegible] Sad Mr Sutton is among the
[illegible] living! I am glad to hear it for me
[illegible] dear Kate [illegible] dead.
[illegible] je vais [illegible] mieux
[illegible] nous ne voyons personne
[illegible] Chadbourne et les Saunders de
[illegible] Le Docteur James s'informe
[illegible] de tous aussi que les Graham.
[illegible] Lizzy Day-mis
[illegible] elle a changé de
[illegible] but I suppose
[illegible] to Mr
[illegible] Chasley what do you think
[illegible] a fine boy.
[illegible] Dauphin
[illegible] elle a un Cotoire à la
[illegible] Magasin
[illegible] Hatch est marié
[illegible] Palmer est marié
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[illegible] house keeper.
[illegible] de la campagne
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[illegible] que je finisse
[illegible] que j'ai fini
[illegible] Ainsi Adieu
[illegible] moi souvent car
[illegible] il me semble
[illegible] attendre encore
[illegible] de te voir.
[illegible] les meilleurs

San Francisco Dec 30/54

Friend Wheaty

Dear Sir/ Your favour came duly to hand by the Star, stating request of loan for six months, I have not any funds myself but of course it can be raised on bond & Mortgage and I think it can be got at 2% instead of 3 pr C per month in that way, but to raise it, it will be necessary to send a transcript of title, and the interest will have to be paid monthly in advance according to custom, real estate is still falling, I cannot get $12000 for my house that is a loss of $10,000, in one year and that one damned old house, and it is not rented either at that, I never wanted to get married so bad in my life as I do now, if I had a wife to put in there old Christ could not rent or buy it from me, I would go there and live it out till the death, and after that the young R R S should have it for a school house

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My Respect to your Lady and yourself

P E Pimmer