

San Francisco

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Dear Sister

This is the first time I have written to you since I was married. I have been waiting for you to answer Emma Littlejohns letter so I would be sure to know where I could address a letter.

I took my wife up to Nev. a few days since and left her at her Fathers house for a visit - I hope she will get enough soon and return for I have been without her for almost a week and it seems like an age - Since our marriage we have boarded at this hotel and will probably continue to do so for a long time to come unless I get broke speculating in stocks.

In May we will probably visit the Big Trees and Yosemite Falls - perhaps if good fortune should smile may visit the Centennial.

I sold out of my mine in good time for now the stock is worth only about one third what I realized for it - I am still one of the directors and should any rich development be made I am in position to profit by it - I rec'd a letter from Mr. Wood a few weeks since he complains bitterly about his business losses and says his farm is mortgaged for \$12,000.00 but is worth \$25,000.00 and that he would probably lose it unless he got assistance for my part I think \$12,000 is more than any place he has got is worth.

I am sorry for him but am not able to provide him with a home I shall write to him today - I could furnish the girls with some clothing I would do it but I am afraid he would get hold of the money and they never get tthe benefit of it perhaps you would buy material and send it to them.

You must keep me posted about the Family, I don't want to see those girls go to the dogs.

As ever Frank