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Walden, Aug. 7, 1866.



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stay a long time - Of course  
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widow - I brought home  
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next the Piano - It looks very  
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care of while Pet is absent.  
No news from Add since  
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born - Presume they are  
all "doing well" - Only  
think - you are Aunt  
Kellie! I feel very  
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you and know how  
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live, had it not been for  
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We are all well here,  
and nothing particularly  
new - The burnt district  
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clearing away rubbish and  
preparing for new buildings.  
But the ashes still fly  
and it is disagreeable  
enough - Live coals are  
forbid among the rubbish.  
All well at Norway last  
week - I presume the chil-  
dren will write you often.  
Perhaps Wash may inclose



a line with this - Mary  
L. is well, I believe  
I wish we could all be  
at your wedding - Hope  
it will pass off pleasantly.  
You will be happy, I have  
no doubt when you get  
settled in your new home.  
You must do every thing  
in your power to please  
your husband and  
make him happy and  
satisfied and contented -  
Especially do not forget  
all the little trifles of  
life, and let nothing make  
any trouble between you  
and yours. But you are  
a dear good girl and do  
not need this advice. I shall  
always be interested to know  
how you living and feeling -  
Best regards and wishes to



Per Steamer Aug. 7, 1866  
from Byron + Wash



Miss Nellie L. Verrell  
Carson City

Care  
Harry R. Nichols Esqr. Nevada



Portland Aug. 7, 1866.

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[from page 1, sideways left of page:]

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Your loving brother  
Byron --

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Per Steamer

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