

Storrays Aug 18th 1866.

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now, you nearly a week we
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informing us of your well fare -
and we are still looking
forward for some good news.

I am at the Office quite
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father is in search of his cow -
which did not return at
the usual time last night; nor
lared - so we cant thank him for
his milk this morning.

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something new to take up
your attention, while it is
the same old story with me.

I hope you saw & have
been very well all the journey
near Skellic, & that you and
Harry may have a happy
meeting. How you finished
the embroidery. I'm not sure
quite well Sunday & think I
shall finish it next week.

Kate Denison has been
threatened with a fever. But she
is improving, & sits up some
now. I had not been in to see
her but once - that was more
than a week ago, and she
looked quite sick then.

Charlie Thompson is passing, one
night last week he was so sick
that for a few hours they thought

he could not live. He probably
will not survive long.

I presume Hattie told you that
Mrs Lucey boy was dead. He
was sick only a short time.

Last Tuesday, there was a
ride on to the train Hill, in
Waterford - quite a party went
from here. C. C. Saunders -
The Luncheon Days, Another Denison
& Alice. Mrs Phelps girl. Kate
Frost & Mrs R. A. B. Ida Howe -
The Coe Family, &c &c - also
some from Paris Hill, & Waterford
Shuland Howe told me that he
had a pretty fair time & I supposed
the way he spoke that it was
nothing extra, though the young
people say they had a jolly
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I hear that some young married
people are getting up a ride to
visit B. Davis & presume I shall

Ther's Tucker & his wife are
visiting at my aunt Tucker
& they are going to spend this
afternoon with us. & I have
invited Alice & Cyrus - Angelia
& Madam and Augustus & Adner
to join us at the Cottage - & as
soon as father comes ~~home~~ up I
must go down & buy myself
about something good for supper -
& that's the bother of having a tea party -
one must cook and work hard
to enjoy an hour or so with ones
friends. I wish my Nellie could
drop in to keep me company.

The Coe has gone to
Hambill to make Mary a visit -
so I am a little lonesome - as
Henry is at West Point & there is
no Nellie to drop in. I miss you
so very very much, I think
even more than you possibly can

No 2
go there. though you know
I like a good time pretty well.

I took a short ride last-
night with Capt. Whimark.
We rode up to the Office just
as I was going down to tea, so he
offered to carry me down & then
invited me to ride over to the
Depot with him, which I did.
The evening being fine, & the breeze
being lady, & the company agreeable
I could not enjoy it.

He has a new clerk in
Goussins Store, Mr Grey from
Balsore Mills, quite good looking
& I should think had traveled
a little, He says he is Lt.
Has blue eyes - & I guess you
would care him pretty. But
he comes jaded, the car has been
found and I must go home -

Lara -

I'm sorry to send
you such a short
letter. But as I have
only a few moments
to finish it in, I hope
you will excuse it.

Emma and
Hattie seem well,
and I guess are
quite happy at Mrs
Smiths. The Col
went last week to Bethel
to visit Maj' Gross -
He enjoyed his visit,
he stopped there from
Saturday night - until
Monday morning. he
says Mrs. Clark is not
so good looking as
Mrs. Newhall.

Ella Carpenter sends
her love to you -

I trust this will find
you very well -
My love to Harry and
a large share to
my darling Nellie,
As ever your own
Lara

To "Nellie Bly."

P.S.

Josh called to
see me last Sunday
he was on his way
to Bethel & was
looking unusually well.
L. L. B. Jr

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Per Steamer)



Aug 18
1866
from Lu

Capt. Harry R. Nichell,
Appeal Office, Carson City,
Nevada,

To Nellie,



Norway Aug 18th 1866.

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To "Nellie Bly,"

P.S. Wash called to
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L. L. P. M.

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[postmark]: NORWAY ME AUG 18

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Per Steamer)

Capt Harry R. Mighels,
Appeal Office, Carson City,
Nevada.

To Nellie