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Rug. 20,1866 Prom Bro. Byron S AUC Overland. Miss Malie L. Verill, Care of Harry R. Mighels, Esg. Carton City, Awada,

Portland, Aug. 19, 1866.

Sunday Evening.

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making a visit, and I'm as lonely as you please. I often wonder now how I used to live alone and be as happy as I was. I trust that you have ere this reached a safe port and met a loving welcome. I have no doubt that your experience will be as happy as mine, and all your days be filled with the sunshine of pure and faithful love. We are all well, so far as I know. Ned was at Norway Friday and saw the children. They are well and enjoying themselves finely at Mrs. Smith's. Sidney came from New Haven Thursday (I think) and left all doing nicely there -- Boy not yet named, but "George Elliot" talked of. How do

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you do, Aunt Nellie?

Ned is having a little vacation. Has gone to Boston now -- Wash is at Bethel. Is trying the Life Insurance business. How our little family is scattered -- I have not seen Mary Goss for some days -- Gruntal has sold out to John Davis, and they are taking account of stock. I presume Mary writes you very often -- And you will probably hear from Norway quite as often as I do. I mean to go there this Fall. My business is very good at present -- much as I can do -- No. I could do more if I had it, but still I keep at work. Tell Harry that I will await the Nevada election returns with much interest --

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