

Pontauk Ms. Aug. 26, 1866

Sunday P.M.

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may God bless you and  
keep you always -  
Your loving brother  
B.D.

This is all the paper I happen  
to have at hand. Please  
excuse it!

8/26/66  
Byron

By Steam



Mrs. H. R. Mif  
Carson City  
Nevada

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By Steamer

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