

Murray Maine
Aug 27th 1866.

My dear Nellie.

So far away from me & the last I heard from you was dated on board the Sacramento Aug 5th - & how very glad I was to get your letter dear Nellie. How much I wish I could know just where you are & just how you are now.

Oh! Nellie you don't know what a comical fellow this W. Emerson is. our ministers eldest son. He is constantly putting his head into my little door & saying something comical - Mr Storey just called - to say

good morning, I asked
him when Ned was going
to be married, he said he did
not know, that he had not got
a girl yet - and that makes me
think how sweet you were upon
Ned, I think Harry would have
been quite jealous if you could
have seen you that evening.

I wonder when Harry is
I have not heard a word
about him since you went away,
Mrs Es Kimball is here, with her
husband who has been quite sick,
Mrs Stacy is here, as pretty as
ever, so much for the Kimball
family, Kate Denison has got
well of her fever, she was in
bed most all day Saturday,
she was making a chimney
with the yoke kind, which

Lucretia Harriman you see - its
very pretty I think,
Harry Denison is here with his
wife & Marie, she is not very
pretty, tho' she was dressed
very nicely, that Miss Chase
Esch's sister the Fisher is here -
I met her yesterday coming
home from church, having her
arm, she is so very disagreeable
looking to me, that I did not
even bow to her when I met her,
Hueda told me that Miss Chase
called upon Julia when she was
in Portland & Julia did not
return it - which made the
Fisher quite cross - Mrs Denison
& Julia are now visiting in Vermont,
& Mr Woodbury is visiting Hueda
I saw them out riding yesterday
& Hueda was dressed very nicely,
& looked pretty,
David's party went to the Shakers

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Not just the right-thing

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Clara Brank the other day.
She is quite low & mother
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& will not get up again.

By your Emma &
Hattie the last cent piece. I want
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Concert. but they think they
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Kate Garrison sends a
great deal of love to you - she
has been in this morning.

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Henry came home Saturday
night. He went to S. P. with me,

Do you
to each other.
I always
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I goes away to day. So
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was who was our 16 myself
included. If I had a dozen
girls I would do my best to
have them married before they
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is. Are you any happier?
as do you wish you were
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Mrs. Dennis & ~~Harriet~~ Julia
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Kellie darling I hope
this will find you very well
and Harry too - My love
to Harry & all my friends
in Carson City,

Write to me often &
accept love & good
wishes from your sincere
Louisa

Per Steamer)

Aug 27, 1866
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Capt. Harry R. Nighell

Appeal Office.

Carsen City,

Nevada

For Aunt Nellie.

Norway Maine
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Mrs Henry Young is in the family way -- I dont' know as that can be very interesting news, but suppose I am in duty bound to keep you posted in every particular.

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They continue to board Mrs Denison who has been quite sick. She is getting better now.

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Nellie darling I hope
this will find you very well
and Harry too -- my love
to Harry & all my friends
in Carson City.

Write to me often &
accept love & good
wishes from your sincere

Louisa

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Per Steamer

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

For Aunty Nellie.