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mis hellie Vernee Norway Village

Carson, Sunday Oct 22nd 1865

Dear Nellie:

Your overland letter, the receipt of which I have already acknowledged, is the last missive I have had from you. As the days and weeks which increase the period of our separation pass by, these fortnightly intervals between your letters seem longer and the letters themselves more infrequent. I have made up my mind to write to you oftener and to send by the overland mail, hoping thereby to stimulate corresponding action on your part. But I shall also employ the Steamer mail to transmit my "regular" communications and hope you will do so too.

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appeal proprietors had purchased an entire new outfit of types, presses &c. and moved into a more commodious and better located building than the one in which I first found them. Well, in rear of that building I have had fitted up a little snuggery for a sleeping apartment and sanctum. I am writing in it now; and it is as cosy a little room as one would wish to have in this barren land. I shall be very comfortable this winter -- and you know that comfort has many attractions for me. I suppose that you will conclude that being an old bachelor, my room lacks a commendable degree of tidiness. But when I tell you that "Jackson" an

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intelligent contraband, makes matutinal visits to my room for the purpose of building my fire and blacking my boots, and that while I am at breakfast, that faithful "cullud pusson" makes my bed and sweeps out and sets things to rights generally, you will learn that I combine comfort with a reasonable sort of neatness, while avoiding the necessary drudgery to attain it.

Social life in Carson is really very pleasant. I have alluded to our ladies and their surprise parties before. I have attended as many as these social gatherings since I last wrote to you.

On last Tuesday night, Mr & Mrs

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Lockhart celebrated the tenth anniversary of their wedding day by a "tin wedding" party. On such occasions everybody who is invited is expected to present "the bride" with some sort of a present in tin. I succeeded in astonishing the assembled beauty and chivalry by presenting Mrs L. with a tin bonnet, gorgeously decorated with artificial flowers and pumpkin colored ribbons.

I had it trimmed by a regular milliner. Among other presents were tin cradles, tin chairs, tin horns and an endless variety of tin lanterns, plates, coffee pots &c. &c. But nothing approached the tin bonnet; and it was voted the premier for oddity of design and fantastic construction.

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I am over head and ears in politics. Nearly two weeks since we put our Union nominee in the field for Congress, and yesterday the Copperheads assembled here and nominated one of their number for the same position. I came near having a fight yesterday morning. I fellow who goes by the name of Major Gillis and whom I have known for several years, here and and California came to warn me that I must be careful how I used his name in connection with matters political. He is a blatant "secesh" and I have taken occasion to give him some

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pretty hard rubs through the columns of the Appeal -- such as saying that he was a stay at home rebel without the courage to take his gun and fight for "the Confederacy" &c. &c.

After hearing the gentleman through, I fiercely informed him that I had fought his kind of rascals with powder and shot for some two or three years and that I proposed to talk and write about him pretty much as I pleased. He didn't seem to like the tone of my remarks and again cautioned me to be careful what I published about him. I then asked him in a very savage sort of style what he proposed

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to do about it if I did make a personal attack upon him in my paper. This brought him up with a round turn and he left me without answering my question and with a very large sized flea in his ear. I am afraid that I became inexcusably profane while impressing it upon his mind that I should take the liberty of treating him as I chose. But I must be pardoned for not selecting the nicer expressions while addressing

myself to an avowed rebel.

I share this circumstance by way of demonstrating a certain condition of things which exists here. The "Democrats" of this part

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of the world are nearly all out and out rebels; and had they the power, not a union man could show his head in the streets with safety. But cowards and bullies as they are, they dare not attack us now.

The Editor of the Gold Hill News was kind enough to make a very complimentary notice of me; and as you are not a subscriber to that paper, and as I am anxious to to make myself appear as favorably in your sight as possible. I have cut the notice out and sent it to you. It is pleasant to receive such compliments, especially when they come unexpectedly and from a stranger, as this did.

I am anxiously and hopefully waiting for a letter from you. I shall send this overland -- but will prepare another in time for the Steamer. Give my love to all the house of Verrill and Millett, remember me in your prayers and beleive me darling, yours affectionately

Harry.

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P.S. I have been invited to deliver a lecture before the historical society! What do you think of that? I have not yet made up my mind what answer to make. Shall I say yes?

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Miss Nellie Verrill Norway Village Maine