

Office of Carson Daily Appeal.

Carson City, Nevada, June 25<sup>th</sup> 1866

Dear Nellie:—

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own of May 27<sup>th</sup> announcing Rhoades'  
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brother, kind and hearty, and  
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considerate, kind and good  
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I am delighted that Rhoades  
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and inasmuch as there is but  
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can be held up as one inducement to him, I should perhaps not be doing exactly right were I to insist upon it that Wash should make the venture of coming here, especially if he has any favorable prospects nearer "the white settlements". But the offer is still open, and when business grows better with me, I shall renew my invitation and urge its acceptance. If I am elected State Printer I shall be able to make Wash a very favorable offer - and ~~the~~ the chances are about even that I shall secure that position.

I am pretty well fixed, already, to receive you. Day before yesterday I leased a

very nicely furnished cottage - one which had just been vacated by a man and his wife who are particularly neat and who have just moved to San Francisco. If I had thought of it in time, I would have had the place photographed and sent you a picture. We will have some pictures taken when you come, for the benefit of the good ones at home.

I am quite certain you will like the house and the style in which it is furnished, though neither are remarkably rich or palatial. We shall be within a square or two of several of my best friends and acquaintances, and I guess



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We shall be able to get along cozily and with but few "family jars".

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I guess I shall wait until you come before I purchase a house. I want your opinion before I take that important step.

I must write a long letter to Byron, so I will make this short. I shall cross overland, in hopes to reach you before you start hitherward. Love to all. God bless and preserve you darling. Affectionately Harry.



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Mellie to Harry, 1863#1864



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