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Dear Nellie:--

This is Saturday night and therefore not my regular time for attending to my correspondence with you; but being reminded that there is a possibility of this letter reaching San Francisco in time for the Panama Steamer which leaves that port on the 19th inst., and remembering that I wrote you a very long and stupid letter last Sunday I feel like indulging an irrepressible desire to say something that shall let you know that as much as my labors induces a bustling and business like habit in my writing that I still entertain enough of my old

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predilection for egotism to give you a short chapter by way of informing you that the hard work of the past week, so happily finished, has left me healthful, hopeful and more eager than ever to be with my dear darling Nellie once more.

By the way, the Steamer Sacramento is announced as having arrived in San Francisco. If I don't get at least two letters from you, I shall feel very much tempted to scold you just a little.

I sometimes wonder what my poor dear mother thinks of your and my relations with one another. I cannot believe --

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But I shall await your decision as to the time when that fact shall be formally made known to her.

This is a dreary life, this lonely, almost cheerless life of a bachelor. And you must help me to break the thread of its monotony, just as soon as I get a little richer. Oh this clog of poverty! Does'nt it make you feel like saying "No" to my propositions when you take into consideration how hard I shall have to work to support my wife and how little luxury she will be enabled to enjoy from my small earnings? I know the good, kind, cheerful heart that prompts you to say with that

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heroism which belongs to a true and earnest woman "I will share my husband's fortunes" -- and knowing that you are capable of maintaining so lofty a purpose, I keep peering into the future to try and discern the signs of brighter days, when, with you for my darling wife, no inclination of yours should go unsatisfied for want of the means wherewith to satisfy it, and when no stinted pittance should deny me the pleasure of anticipating your wishes. I would be rich, not to be able to lead a life of indolence -- for I should be wretched without active employment -- but that you and I might enjoy the advantages of wealth.

"Not for to hide it in a hedge Nor for a train attendant --But for the glorious privilege Of being independent."

I must bid you good night darling. Kiss Lue and the little ones for me, pray for me and think of me every day. Remember me to your good brothers -- to Hattie Robinson and to May Gosse -- love me with all your dear heart, join me in the trust that God will guide us both, and believe me ever thine affectionately and truly

Harry.