

Carson April 22 /66

Dear Nellie:

I wish you were here to enjoy this beautiful weather. The sun shines bright and clear and the brown sides of the barren mountains are really looking green and fresh. Within a week I have removed my sanctum to the second story of the building in which our office is situated, and from my window I look out over shingles and stove pipes upon plain and mountain side and enjoy the balmy breezes while curl the smoke from my pipe until I am almost tempted to re-prodise the vernal beauties of full blown Springtime. A little green grass and a whiff at the odors of flowers are rarities which we must live in the "Fage bush" to learn to

fully prize.

Another good letter from George Hartman reached me yesterday from San Francisco.

He winds up by saying:

"We shall be ready for you and your 'little woman' at any time. We won't promise much style, but lots of good feeling, and a welcome that shall be from our hearts."

You see we have a true friend in George and his good wife - and we can dispense with the "style" in the hearty welcome that awaits us both.

I hope Rhodes will have called upon you before this reaches Norway. I want him to give you plenty of time and opportunity for getting prepared for the journey. And, by the way, you had better lay in a stock of substantial

clothing, so far as the limited amount of money which he will deliver to you from me will permit, for you will be able to purchase better goods and at much lower prices in Portland than you can get ~~at~~ superior ones for here. You see I am dismal enough to talk economy as much lacking in its exercise as I am myself. But don't suppose that I have any fears of your extravagance. I merely desire that you may be provided against inconvenience after you reach this land of few ~~traders~~ ~~traders~~ and high prices.

I have been looking at a nice little cottage which would suit us exactly. If I can purchase it on good terms I mean to do so, or, if I can do no better, I will rent it.

I am determined to go to keeping  
house as soon as possible after  
our marriage, and shall do so  
as once, if the little girls come out  
with you.

I hope Rhoades may be treated  
to a good time while he is in  
Miami. He is a diffident, halfpenny  
sort of a man, and needs to be  
Chaperoned a little. I have told  
him of the pleasures of a summer  
visit to Norway, and I hope he  
may not be disappointed. Henry  
Rust and General Bishop can, if  
they will, help him to enjoy himself  
largely. I am confident you will  
find him a kind, attentive travelling  
Companion.

Give lots of love to Byron and  
the rest of the brothers and sisters for  
me, think of me every minute,  
remember me in your prayers,  
prepare to be my darling wife within  
the next four months and cherish the  
undying love of yours affectionately Harry.

I deleted the following paragraph from the Phoenix Review,  
and send it to you to satisfy my insuperable curiosity

If the new "Moses" isn't re-  
pudiated by the people of Nevada next  
fall, it won't be the fault of the able  
and brilliant editor of the Carson Ap-  
peal, whose fiery invectives against the  
President's treason are the delight of  
his readers hereabouts, ours self included.

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Miss Nellie Verrill  
Norway Village  
Maine.

Carson March 4th  
1866

Dear Nellie:

I have just written a long letter to Byron in reply to one which he sent me under date of Feb 4th. It is one of the most gratifying letters I ever received. Just such a one indeed, as the dear good hearted brother of my own good Nellie would write.

I have told him, briefly, but frankly just how I am situated here; and I have submitted to him some of my plans for the future. I have told

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him, among other things, that our State Treasurer, Mr Rhoades is going East in about a month, and that when he goes, I shall give him letters of introduction to him and to you. I have spoken to him upon the subject and he has agreed to visit you and Byron and Mother. Now, if I can, I mean to put money enough in Rhode's hands to bear your expenses over here. When you see him, you can make up your mind whether you would be willing to take so long a trip in his company and under his protection. He is

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rather bashful, but is  
a most excellent man  
and one in whom all  
who know him place the  
very highest confidence.  
He will return here,  
probably, sometime in  
July. I hope you may  
come when he does.

Indeed, this looks like  
a feasible plan for our  
speedy union; and if  
good fortune attends us  
it will be consummated.  
I am really very hopeful  
of meeting you in San  
Francisco as soon or  
sooner than the 1st of  
August. I am "presump-  
tuous" again you see.

If we make the pro-  
posed arrangement, I shall  
instruct Rhodes to let you

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have money enough  
to enable you to make  
all needful purchases  
for the voyage -- such as  
clothing, trunks &c &c.  
For I want your trip  
to be made as  
pleasant and comfortable  
as possible.

I must make this letter  
very short, darling, for it  
is getting very late and  
my fire has burned out  
and left me in the cold.  
Remember me to all the  
family, not forgetting Flora  
and Hattie R. Tell Lue I  
will write to her this  
week. Kiss Mother for me  
when you see her. God bless  
you dear Nellie. Good night.

Ever affectionately

