

Phila Nov, 3rd 1886

Dear Aunt,

I Enclose to you
a Sanfrancisco Draft for \$246.-
Your semiannual interest also
receipt which you will please
sign and return to me. I hope
you are well and enjoying
life. There seems to be an
Epidemic of Colds here in the
East, almost every body has a
Cold, both Algernine an I have
bad ones at present. We have
been having no rain here since
the first of August, until about
the 25th of October, I hardly think
this the cause for so many Colds.

I suppose you knew that
aunt Hannah Derbyshire
has gone to California, she
started about two weeks
ago, with her brother Noah,
I do not know whether Uncle
James went or not, Carrie
went out to see her mother
before she started, and I have
not seen Carrie since her
return, Carries brother
wrote her that their Mother
was rapidly breaking down
into Consumption, and he
thought it doubtful if she lived
longer than Christmas, without
there was a marked improvement.

Your Affect, Nephew
Alex. D. Stockton