

Leadville

Aug 12th 1883.

My Dear Maama

I am so much disappointed not to have received a letter from you this week, as you said in the one of the 1st (which I received last Monday) that you would write again on the following Sunday, so I expected surely to find a letter on Friday, and ~~was so~~ disappointed. You must find time to write at least once a week, it seems a long time between your letters. I would have written last week, but did not know whether you had gone to White Plains, or not and did not want you to

lose any time in receiving
it, as I have a little scheme
on foot to make some money.
Hope you have not sent the
other thing, as I think to
have a brass plaque, painted
and mounted, as the others
and sell it on shares. 50 cts
a ticket, and 50 tickets making
it bring \$25. That way of
doing is all the rage here -
so Al. thinks I might succeed
very well, and they are
a perfect novelty here -
A lady from the East
sold a table cover in that
way - I will write you
about getting the frame
for me. If only I could
run home to talk a little,

and get my supply of
materials. You see I am
anxious this should be
attended to, and all could
go under the one expressage.
Your last letter - gave me
a graphic account of all
your doings. am glad
you decided to make up
the Phant, all those things
make a good impression,
and please Alfred. You
see, I can fudge of how
those little attentions are
received, and it behooves
us to do all we can. As
regards the comfortable
if you decide to make the
cheese-cloth, why since our
failure, I would charge all
expense attending the making.
I think one would give

great satisfaction, as they
have nothing like it, and
they are so pretty, get
Em to scallop it in fine
style, like the others. I
would do it in red. The
daisy comfortable you sent
is quite prized, and it looks
lovely, am quite proud of
it, and in fact all we
have sent looks very nice,
and is in red. The currant
jelly I brought has been
sampled, and pronounced
fine, it is eaten a little
at a time, so as to last.
I am not to have any. Al
expressed a wish that he
had more of it, "it tasted
like old times." Could you

not together. (One has a
good head) to send him
some, last year would do,
as it would not be apt
to soak the paper, I do not
think that would be any
objection, as long as it
did not run, as the one I
brought was all soaked -
you could put a very
thin board over the top -
or a cover of a ~~thick~~
thick paste board box,
and put them between
the pillows - If you do not
think that is practicable
why then, later make up
a box, and send a little
of all you do, if only three
gals of each preserve, I
said he would be willing
to pay all expenses, even to

are doing up - but think we
could spare a few, don't you?
Now this need not seem
like an undertaking at all
As I have of each kind, say
old fashioned peach preserves,
gager, damson (pickle pears
(particularly) and pickle peaches
1/2 doz currant jelly, and
guinea. would make quite
a box, and would answer
every purpose, for their
small family - And we
could easily spare those.
You will think that seems
a few, and will think I
am not home, so it seems
to me an easy job - Not at
all - I have thought it

over - And I know it is
not much to do, and the
impression on Al would
go far, and do much. It
would answer for a
Christmas present. As you
do each lot, set 3 aside
for Al - not any canned
as they get all that here,
and nothing in preserves -
The quantity I have mentioned
is sufficient, and Al. will
pay expressage - We are
settled in our home, and
it is just lovely and
complete, Mag is a good
cook, breakfast this morning
Ham and eggs (our own eggs,
have about 4 doz chickens and
hens) potatoes cakes - muffins -
and a loss cup of coffee - how
is that - I eat like a

mother- and my complex
has been very good, and is-
that splendid all the while
in Denver and Manitow-
Did our last letters make
you feel blue- I do not
wonder, but you need not
worry, it seems worse, when
one hears such news, then
to be right in it. All is all
right, and will get square
before long. He don't mean
you shall suffer at any
rate, said the other day-
he would send money for
coal bill- He wrote Uncle
immediately, I am anxious
to hear from you- Will
give full description of
their home, in my next-
and just all we are

ing - I am now sitting in
parlor - bay window filled
with beautiful plants, all
in bloom, two birds also -
(chirping) and the snow capped
Mountains stretched out before
me, they look grand - range
after range - as far as you
can see, I will not close
this, until I hear from
you, which I trust will
not be later than Tomorrow -
Good bye for the present - I do
hope you will get your
White Plains visit, am thinking
you are there now - 9.30 P.M.
Alfred brought your letter
of last Tuesday to me
while at this noon, (they
get the mail on Sunday)
I was so delighted, and

so this can be mailed
Tomorrow, the day you start
for White Plains, so will send
this there - I feel so happy
that you write so encouragingly
about "the failure," Al received
your letter, and I read the
parts of yours to Susan Mag-
I dread renting the house, but
it must be done, you can
explain all satisfactorily to
Lizzie, as you say, she is so
sensible and reasonable - and
will understand it perfectly.
I would like the plaquet
as soon as possible, so if you
can as soon as you return
from N.Y. get at the
bookstore, you see it will
take me a week to print
it - then it will take some

and for them to come at
freight, so you see I would
like them as soon as possible
If only the plaque, say one
the largest size could be
sent by mail without
getting scratched, why I
could get it all painted,
but I would be afraid of its
getting harmed, they mark
so easily - and then it seems
useless to go to any extra
expense. If the Chans are
not finished why then
they could be sent later -
I am sorry to hurry it, but
there seems to be a necessity.
As regards to send the trunk
it will be the cheapest
way to send them. Do you
expect Frank to send any

If so don't you
think my idea of sending
at, some - a good one, that
can all be attended to
later, so set that aside
entirely at present, only at you
or them, put his aside, he does
not know that I have written
this. it was all suggested by
his making the remark, "he
would like some," and I thought
we could surprise him, if you
and Em think differently -
why all right - but think my
idea a "good thing" for
that not day where Em was,
so will enclose a wrap for
her, which you can forward -
I know you are having
a good visit - his was
a much less, tell her

the said article she made
me is just the thing, even
As said the other day, it
was a "dandy" I sent him
to it for a needle and thread -
it takes so little room, and
is so complete. How is your
"Son in Law", give him my
love, and tell him he
need not consider the
engagement broken, because
I have met many pleasing
gentlemen, but none that
quite take his place, I
will be home before long -
so he had better get the
wood work in his house
in good order, it will be
easier to keep clean - Tell
Mrs A I will accept all
the raspberry bushes &c, &c,
and she will excuse his

with six-year-old son and
newly. Feel pleased that my
friends remember me. So Alice
is a "grass widow", and the idea
of an addition in March, it is
absolutely vulgar (you can ^{either} tell
or get word to) that I think I
do not care to have my children -
that may be an of the inducement
for him to leave me - But so glad Papa
found his umbrella, and hope he
will keep well - I am fully vaccinated
now, so do not fear any more ill
attacks. Have written to Edith and Alice
also Aunt E. Piper, thought it would
please her, also to Edith Sands at
Letauket. He was so kind in Uncle
to withhold the bad news, he is
just splendid what would we do
without him - Do not think I will
remain much after Oct., as it
will then be four months since
I have been away - but time passes
so quickly, and I am perfectly
happy - Will be anxious to hear
from you, so do write while in
N.Y. and write often - you can read
E's letter, and send her yours to read -
Lots and lots of love - your aff. daughter
Ann