

Sterling City Dec 28/67

Dear old partner

I reviewed a letter from you last week while on the Willow Creek prospecting for placer Digging I have been at prospecting for 2 months now and shall do so the balance of the winter not for Quarts for I would not stop to dig on a Quarts lode an hour let be ten times richer than all others in montana for they are of no worth whatever our money is all Expended and not a brick yet of any worth the Armeenia only yielded about 50 lbs per ton only 50 Cents per ton only think after making such a Great Show of Gold in the pan Every time it is tried and I do not think that the Galena or any other lode will begin to pay for the Crushing say nothing about the cost of sinking shafts and teaming these

facts and you may take it for granted
I am telling you the truth for I have tried
untill I am convinced that if every lode
in montana was mine by paying one
cent cash for every lode in the territory
I would not pay it only to hide it is a
fact that 3 millions of loodes are now
discovered and not one so far is paying
Expenses no not one and all the mills
are stopping work they cannot get the
ore to crush for it wont begin to pay and
men cannot afford to pay for crushing
ore that wont begin to pay its way I will
write Brother Eli Cullorb a letter in
a few days and tell him if he can
sell our 10500 feet that he can do so
that is out of the company for the low
sume of 25 cents foot if he can find a
purchaser but I dont hardly believe he
can even at those figures but I shall
let him try his hand for to let them
lay will do us no good at all as they are
of no value here at all and will always

be a burden on our Brain and they
will Net us the Sum of one thousand
3 hundred Dollars Each if he can but
make a Sale I hope he can do so and
I hope you will let me take this only
Chance for you as well as for myself
I know it is hard to fall so low but
it is the only Show for us Even to realize
a Cent for our toil you must not
say a Word to Hoyt or any one about
my being out prospecting as I dont
want any one to know what I am doing
Except yourself I Went up to our old
Shantee on North Willow Creek near
the head and it looked quite like
a home to me the recollection of the
past led me to get Down and pour out
a Warm Earnest prayer for Dear Bro
John who helped Build that Shantee
and though lonely it stands in the Wilderness
yet it look real pleasunt the past all
ran to my heart oh that God may help
us to be faithfull and Save us in heaven

at last is my prayer now I say Bro
John Sell by all means if for a song
I say Sell dont wait no time only for
an offer however low it may be
Direct your letters to Sterling
City Madison County Montana as
the mail runs here now and will
save me 25-cents on every letter
Give my Best Respts to your Wife
and mother & Sisters yours as
Ever
G. B. Weeks