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NORTHERN PACIFIC HOTEL

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LIVERY STABLE IN CONNECTION WITH THE HOUSE.

Bozeman, Montana, June 5th 1888.

My Darling Love,

I am not feeling very well this morning, we have had so much changeable weather, that I have a cold, & Rheumatism all the time, but it matters not whether I feel well or not, I am miserable any way, so very lonely, & wearied, with out my Leg. Oh, darling one I am almost wild at the thoughts of your being willing to leave me, I some times think it must be a dream, it seems like such an impossible thing, for you to do, I cannot give you up loved one, you must come

back, or let me come to you,
had I realized for a moment,
what I have since we parted,
I could never have let you
go without me, Oh, how I
wish that I had gone right
along ~~with~~, & then nothing but
death could have ever separated
me from you, Oh Precious Darling
I am so miserable, so lonely,
just entirely worn out, I never
have seen half the grief &
anguish, in my whole life,
that I have in the past few
weeks, & I cannot bear it
any longer, My own, my darling,
don't persist in torturing me
any longer, Let me come
to me, or I am more than
willing to go to you if you

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will only let me come, & I have
your love, I want to be with
you, Oh, I must - I cannot stand
being away from you any
longer, don't ask me to love,
for God's sake don't

I am so
miserable in my loneliness, that
I cannot sit down to write
any news, & of course you
understand that darling one?
don't you?

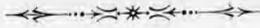
The Crows went to the
Agency this morning. One Crow
Indian, named Medicine Crow,
has a book, in which, he has
drawn every thing he seen

during his trip east, he has
fish, snakes, turtles &c, all
kinds of animals, circus riders,
cars, ships, steamboats, the
Capitol, & dome, & many other
things, all of which, are drawn
so that any one would recognize
them at first sight, something
entirely new, & quite an oddity
in the noble old man,

I have not
heard a word from your
mother, as yet. cannot imagine
why she does not write. I wrote
to Dr. Pesley, but have not
received any answer yet, hope
to soon, as I have so much
trouble, about my appetite,
cannot eat, & what little I
do eat come right up.

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It rains constantly here. I have had only two pleasant days since my arrival, & am just waiting for a pleasant day to return calls, then expect to go down home for a few days, as Lillie is so anxious to see me, & poor little thing, from what every one says, can never get well. Oh, loved one I am so lonesome, & blue, this morning I feel as though there was nothing to live for, when you are away. Life seems a burden, I cannot help this feeling.

Jimmie
comes down every few days to

see if there is any thing they
can do for me, & I am
sure had they had not fears
with me coming, I could
never have gotten here, I
feel under many obligations
to them for their kind
interest, & they certainly are
devoted to us.

I begin to feel
like flying, for fear you are
going soon, but I still hope
that you won't go.

Your own darling wife
Thousands of kisses for my self
Mary

Boxman, N. S.
June 14th 1880

My Dear Love,

Your Telegramme was received this morning, & I am delighted. I infer from it - that - you do not know whether you are going, or not, & if you do not know at this time, there is no doubt in my mind but - that - it will fall through, & I am so hopeful, this morning, I feel that you are coming back to your own Love.

Beside this, Capt. MacAdam told me, that in the ~~last~~ one of the latest New York papers there was a long piece in reference to the matter, stating

that - there was a hitch, in the
Arrangements, that - Congress
had made no appropriation,
& the Government, had no
authority to furnish rations,
or any thing. Oh, I hope, &
pray that it - is so. To feel
so encouraged, & hopeful, this
morning, that - I can scarcely
contain myself. Oh, Pet - I am
so anxious to see you, & be
with you again, if I ever
get - to your snow. I shall stay,
nothing can induce me to
let you go again, My own, My
darling, to have worried, &
grieved so, & now to begin
to feel restricted, & feel that -
to shall soon have my
love with me, My own
darling Pet.

It still continues
to rain, so that - the roads

are almost impassable, there
never has been such a siege
of rain before in Montana,
it has rained almost continually
ever since the first of April,
every-thing is very backward,
no vegetables of any importance
yet, & this is the middle of
June, we should have quite
a variety by this time,

I hope to
be able to go down home this
week, I should have gone
Wednesday Sat- I has rained
all afternoon, & I am afraid
the roads will be very
bad, Lallie is improving
slowly, is able to walk
around with the help of
her crutches, & I begin to
feel hopeful, of her

Bozeman, Mont.

June, 15th, 1880.

My Darling Husband,

Since writing yesterday, Grammy, came down & told me, a Soldier had received a letter from Bensons, a man with you, saying, they were not at all likely to go, & expect to be back soon, & I am beginning to feel certain that you are coming back to me, Oh, tell I really feel happy in the hope of having you with me again, I shall be so anxious now that I can, scarcely stay here, I feel as though I should get-

ready, & start-immediately, to
go to you, - My Love & My
Love, I shall make good
so happy for you that
you will never regret the
failure of this dreadful
expedition, & thing of thank-
long, weary, three years, that
we would have, seen
separated, which could
never be made up, we have
but a few year at the
best, & let us stay together
these few, & be happy, I
can make your home pleasant
enough, to counter-balance,
all the disappointment, the
failure, was seen.

It rained
all night, & the tongue
hasn't crack did not get in
until today noon, so that
I can not go home before

Yesterday, at West, Sallie is
so anxious to see me, that
I feel that I must go &
see her soon. Every one
says here, that she has been
the most patient little
sufferer, they even have seen
her - she is improving some,
& I hope she will continue
to do so, it has been a
great trial to Mama, as
she has entire care of her.

The
Entertainment I spoke of
continues this evening, & I
expect I shall have to go as
Capt. decides I should go,
The letter I wrote you
yesterday, was too late, &
I could not mail it, so
you will get these to the

The same day, I say this because I felt so bad to bring, I had waited so late in the evening before writing, that it could not be mailed, I felt as though I had been so negligent to my love, I could not rest if I did not write to you every day, that is the only consolation I have had.

I expect to hear from you soon, saying that you will return home in a few days & Oh, how happy I shall be.

Your devoted & affectionate wife. Mary-

Lieut G. C. Dourne
2nd Cavalry

In the Field)

M. H.

Bozeman M.T.
Oct 5th 1880

Darling love,

Coph Macdams,
& Mr Robinson were down to
see me today, & Coph is going
write to you soon. Mr R-
has been quite ill ever since
he returned, but is improving
now.

I am dreadfully nervous
today, I could not sleep last
night for thinking of you, &
how dreadful it would be
for you to make any agreement
for another horrible trip.
I can not believe you

would wilfully break your
word with me, Oh, I am
so anxious to get to you, —

I have regretted a thousand
times, my folly in staying
here, & letting you go! I
will never do so again, for
many reasons, which I shall
tell you when I see you, I
know if I had been with
you that love would never
been asked for, you would
have returned home with
your own love, Oh, sweet
love I have so much to
tell you that I get all
mixed up, & don't know
where to begin first.

But this one thing, which
worries me so: I want you
to be sure, & remember your
solemn promise, to let me

go with you, always, I
must, + will. I can not
nor must not be separated
from you any more, I
will not be, I would
die first. — I want you
to come to me just as
soon as possible, I am
almost crazy, to see you,
my own dear husband.

I
have disposed of almost
every thing, & have, only
drawn twenty (\$20.00)
dollars from the bank
so far. So that we will
have to begin anew.

Every
one here has been very
kind, to me. — I have made
a hermit of my self, have
not gone any place, nor

with any, ~~but~~ excepting twice
before you left Washington.
I went with Coph, M. L.

I have
been reading some, & doing
some needle work, & have
gone to Miss Lillie's, all
the place to go to here.
She has been just as good
& kind as could be. I
am going there to dinner
this week, she send
love, says she thinks she
has known you long
enough to be allowed
that privilege. All join
in love.

Your ever devoted
wife Mary -

Bozeman M.T.
Feb 12th 1880

My Darling love:

I have just returned from Miss Bogart's. I have been there to dinner & spent a very pleasant afternoon. They all wished you were there, & Miss Litch was telling me how you used to talk of me, to her, & says to tell you that she says it is a shame for you to have me this way, for she never saw any one who was so completely broken down

By a separation as I have
seen over this, "No Taffy".
I am sure but you
have no idea of what
I have suffered in your
absence. - She (Miss L.) says
she would just go with
you. any way, if she were
in my place, + that is
just what I mean to do,
from now on. They have
been so kind, & good to
me, & always seemed so
anxious for me to come
there when ever I felt
like it. That I have
scaly never made, any
place back quarters, as
I have there. I don't go
any place else. I do like
Miss Lillie, so much, I
think she is perfectly

Looby, + her sister Mrs
Hall is just as nice.

I have
been reading some this
summer, but not as much
as I should have liked,
on account of my eyes,
they have not been nearly
as strong, as they were, &
perhaps on account of
being irritated from crying.
I have, each "Queen of
Mental Friends", "Old
Curiosity Shop", "Great
Expectations", "A Tale of
Two Cities", Dickens, "A
fool's errand", & several
others, novels, by Miss
Marbeck, & others, & am
now reading some in
Scott's Poetical works, &
am going to get "David

Copper field" for the week,
& intend to keep right on,
& when I get to you, why
we will reach the books
together, & I shall try
so hard to push myself
with your help, as best I
can.

May Maginnis goes East
about the fifteenth of November
& has very kindly offered
me a chance to go with
Mrs. M. & him self, if I
go, he is to let me know
just when he goes, so
in case I am going, he
would be delighted to have
me go along.

All join in love,
Your devoted & ever
loving wife. Mary.

Bozeman No. 1.

Oct. 14th - 1888

My Darling Husband,

It still continues to storm, has been snowing all day, & looks as though it was going to continue for a while, the Mountains are as white as they usually are, in December.

Papa was in town this week, & week back this morning, he is building a new house, of seven logs, & if he goes on

on & finishes it properly,
it will be a very good
building, he has made
some improvements, but Oh,
how dreadful every thing is
carried on, no management,
at all, & never will be, It
seems to me, a thousand
times worse than it used
to, if possible.

I do hope you
won't delay, any longer
than you can help, either
coming on, or sending for
me, for I am so dreadfully
anxious to be with you, I
am just miserable
when I think of having
to stay from you a moment
longer, seems as though
I must come, I took
every time the coach

comes, & feel a little
disappointed when you
are not, one of the
passengers. I am trying
to wait patiently, & I
it is such hard work.

I shall expect a letter
very soon.

I can tell you
one thing, you can go just
wherever you please, & I
shall not say a word,
so long as you take me
along. But I am going
to with you from now
on, just as sure as
you live, I am as deter-
mined on that, as I
can be, & you can
rest assured I mean to
put it into execution,
just so sure as I live

to finish this letter, (which
is not at all doubtful) &
don't keep telling you this
for to be meant, for you
you to make your arrange-
ments accordingly. Of course
love you know; that I
can not be without you,
& no doubt you gain a
great deal of satisfaction
from this knowledge, for
I can, no more sit down,
& write to you, with out
getting perfectly frantic,
about you, & crying, than
you used to, when you
wrote to me, Oh, how
happy I shall be when I
can be with you once
more. Your devoted wife
Mary.

claim, it and
have it. Miss
Lillie send love,
all send regards.
Your own
loving & devoted
wife - Mary

Bozeman No. 7.
Oct 17th. 1880.

My Darling Husband,

It is nine
days today since I received
your telegram, so I should
get a letter from you by
next mail, or at least in
two, or three days, I shall
look so anxiously.

Miss Lillie
Bozark was in last evening,
& said she was so anxious
to know where we were going
to be stationed for the
winter, she wishes so
much we were going to be

here at Ellis, she, says she
is just, as curious as can
be, to know what I will do
when I see you, & would
be willing to get up at mid
night, to see the meeting,

I watch the coack as regularly,
for you, I look, & feel a
little disappointed, at not
seeing you.

I heard yesterday
that you had been ordered
to report, to your regiment
for duty with your own
Company, if it is so I
shall be perfectly satisfied,
any place will suit me
if I can only be with
you, besides every one of the
Officers here say, that he, ~~will~~
(Hoswood,) will have all
he wants to attend to, by

watching Brierley, + family,
without fathering us
much, they all think the
Madam will give him
all he can attend to,

It still continues to rain
& snow at intervals, but
has turned a great deal
warmer, than it has been
for the past week.

I do hope I
won't have to go east alone,
if I have to go at all, I
have not the faintest idea
of ^{how} traveling alone, will
be, & expect I should get
lost if I try it, besides it
is such an undertaking for
a lady to travel alone, who
knows nothing about it,
I hope you will come
back to some of the post.

here in this department, & shall be satisfied with any of them, & be perfectly happy, you may think this is all talk, but you just try me to see, if you will be content with your self, & stay with me, if you don't, I shall have to follow you, for I am determined never to be separated from you again, no matter where you go I shall go too, you promise me this would be your last trip without me, & so it shall be, I intend you to keep your word with me, the same as ^{to} any one else, I have as much right to it, if not more than any one else has, I have the right to the first attention & I mean, & by Gods help to