

Mr. John Wilcox
Hilo,
Hawaii.

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Dear Br Willcox

an opportunity occurs to send to Kila tomorrow by the Man of War Barge Kai which I shall improve by sending you a few lines you perceive by the date that we have arrived at our home. although our accomodations were good on board and all our friends were very ~~and~~ still home seemed to be the best place we started you remember on Saturday night from H which did not exactly suit our minds But the next Saturday we were ~~then~~ ⁱⁿ placed in the same situation and what made it ^{worse} we had the prospect of arriving on the sabbath we were in doubt what to do whether to go with the vessel or stop Perhaps you will condemn us for not doing the latter. Br Sinker came down at the same time but in another vessel he had been spending a few weeks at Maui for his eyes

We are all very well or as well usual Mrs Ben
gham thought herself much better for a few days
after her return from Waialua but she is now
like pu, Nawakua. Br Cooke Ma is still
with us. There are several whale ships now
in port, some are bound home one tomorrow.
The Barque Jones Capt Somonis has arrived
and will sail in 4 or 5 weeks. Mrs J was at
our house at tea when her ^{husband} arrived and was
caught in the very act of disobedience which
has been the result I do not know.

Br Coans watch I had had fixed and shall
send by ~~mail~~ The charge for repairing was 50 cts

I also send the Kumu Hawaii & Kamali
and few bundles of tracts

In regard to religion we are all as cold as
death I am glad to hear of something better
at Kaawaloa and Waimea

Yours truly &c

A. Simons

