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Mrs. L. H. Wilcox

Waioli



Honolulu Jan 21st 1837

My dear Sister

I recd your letter dated 3rd and thank you for it. I must answer it on a steam boat sort of a way as I usually write.

First about the letter I recd a pair of letters from you. No letter I think. I had no impression whatever that I was to und. post to Mrs. Lins - and therefore she was minus. I shall try to make it up to her have sent her a little and shall more as I am able to obtain it. I returned the pack ^{to deper} and suppose it was sent on as things are usually put in their own boxes there and it has not been there of late. I think Mr. Cook went to me for it and I told him I could not write then but would you - week after week has passed away and no letter.

I am sorry very sorry that you have had so much trouble about getting your things from the depository. Mr. Cook has been engaged for several weeks in assisting Mr. Boardman about getting up the town clock. He finds a great many difficulties - frequently they change the hour of sailing or conclude to go some where else - and not infrequently he loses a chance from being before you out when the information arrives that a vessel is to sail - or for some other reason. I hope you have got the shoes before this. And I hope he will be more punctual in future. I believe he works as hard as any of the Missionaries. Still many things are not done. Others may be better done.

The fact is Mr. Cook and my affairs are well nigh worn out. The spirit is willing however and we will try to do all in our power for the comfort of our brothers and sisters. I suppose the Missionaries have begun

to feel the loss of Bro Hall.

Now about butter I send a pail to replace the
one lost - also another larger that I should like to get
you to fill for me. You must weigh it and charge
it. I keep a couple of boarders to lessen our expenses
we found ourselves about \$50.00 dollars in debt at the
end of the year. - Bro Hall did not care about paying
the rent of the house he is in possession.
I do not want you to furnish me butter to keep boarders
and not be paid for it. We have had some of Mrs Whitney's
butter at 3 pence per pound - Can you get it as cheap?
I pay 50 cts for what I buy here

My eyes are getting out and I can not write
you as I would like. Respecting Albert - I told Mr. W
that we did not feel any desire to hinder him if he thought
it duty - When questioned by him I said that I did not
think that I should wish to go under the circumstances
still I thought that no one could tell how he should
feel about it till brought to the test of experience.
I have sympathized with you deeply and Mr. W. also
and I did not feel that I could willingly be added to
his and your trials. May God support you both
and may the great power you both to have true
guidance by His Holy Wisdom.

Once more are you coming to Gen Meeting?
If you are how would you like to occupy our study
with your family - It is divided into two rooms.
and could be tolerably convenient. I will furnish the
rooms cook your food &c &c You need not buy any
thing but mattresses knives & forks & spoons. a table
nothing - I thought perhaps that would suit you
better than to sit at the table with so many little
ones Tell me frankly all about it. It is neces-
sary I am in haste - It is neces-
sary at Penakon - I suppose your boys are well

I am very much confined and do not get to
Puna how often so I have not seen them often.

in haste

Yours

L. M. Cook

