

Punahou Sept 15th 1852

Dear Sister,

We were very glad to hear of your safe arrival at home. And let me present the thanks of Punahou for the nice butter. I came in excellent order - very sweet more so than make from our old milk - Hope to have more cows in a few weeks.

We have been ever more pilitica since you left than before. A week ago last Sat. James, D. was taken with the fever, the next day I had an attack of colic which came near inflammation, and that night Mr. D. was attacked with fever - The next day Miss S. left and to crown all the cook was taken down and is not out yet. Mr. D. had a light fever two days - but took cold and had it again Sabbath so that he is now quite weak but able to be about. Was absent from the table a day and a meal each time. I was not able to do much more last week than to attend to the food of us invalids, this week attend to my duties in the kitchen, though I am troubled in walking. I hope we are through but perhaps not. People are having colds with fever for a day or two. Your boys are well. Munson was threatened last week but is well now.

You will be pleased to know that the fashion of short hair is taking among the boys and C. is one of the first to adopt it. I never saw his hair look as well as it does now.

Mr. Marsh, Mr. Rice, and Mess Green keep the school along - Mr. D. will not probably go in this week.

Mrs. Whittlesey left yesterday in company with Mr. Bailey who came down from Molokai in the boat - arrived yesterday morn. and sailed last eve. for Lahaina. His family are at Molokai. Mrs. B. was not very well and hoped to recruit by the change.

Mr. Hitchcock's family are going to live at their old station till next gen. meeting. so Molokai will be well supplied with missionaries.

I have but little time and you will excuse hasty letters. I forgot to mention that Mrs. Clark was badly hurt last week in going to Waialua. The harness broke the waggon upset and with her and youngest son went down the hill by the great stream. She was not able to turn herself in bed when we heard - shoulders injured.

Yours as ever
C. C. Dole

Private. Private.

*or if not may hear from them. I do not think they know much
I think that know have been and to rest about it.

have concluded it is best to say a few things in ref-
erence to a certain subject, as your boys have some
suspensions and perhaps more in regard to it and you
might have had, but I did not certainly know that
you had. I trust you and your husband feel under
sacred obligations to keep it, and let no child hear
a whisper or any one, unless it may be bro. and sister J.
It might be some alleviation to their bitter cup
to know that others are afflicted, with "sharper
afflictions" as the father expressed it. He said if
his son had been taken away with any reasonable
hope of his being prepared it would have been
comparatively light. — I can make you un-
derstand without mentioning names, which
I do not wish to do lest it might fall into other
hands. — You know how unaccountable the
disappearance of things was before you left
and it was not till some had been taken
from a jeweller's shop down town that it
came out. He had been suspected at the depo,
and with good reason. If you remember
where the keel of his vessel went, you know
the whole. I cannot tell you our feelings
for the same reason I would not mention
names. It should be a lesson to all of us, to
be watchful over the habits of our children.
Burn this up when read, lest some one get
hold of it.

You recollect what I told you about the boys
in connection with our children in regard to
work - Last Sat. morn. Sanford went into
the court where Charles was at work, and
he said to him what are you and George
going to do, eat gingerbread? You can
easily see that such things are trying es-
pecially at such a pilikial time when I
needed all the assistance I could get from
my own children and more too. I called
C. to me and told him I was willing
to let that go on the side of inconsidera-
tion, but I hoped I should not hear it re-
peated. - I felt it the more because I had
been out to make some for the family
the day before when I was not really
able to walk out there, I only mention
it to show you some of the little trials
we meet with occasionally. I presume
there is no boy here who does not eat more
cake than my children, as I often do not
give it them when the family have it.