

San Francisco Nov 29 1868

Dear Sister

Yours of October 14th by
Mrs Halsers came duly at hand
allthough she had been here several
days before I knew any thing
about her being here her Husband
being laid up with a broken Leg
and arm by the affects of the earthquake
their has been quite exciting times
in San Francisco with Politics, Small
Pox and earthquakes the last few
Months, the Protestants have carried
the State and most of the City in spite
of the low Roman Catholicks as that is
about all this last Election was
striving for, Every thing come wright
with Mrs Nicholls I have not seen her
since I have had the Small Pox it has
not pitted me but has left me eye verry
weak but I think it will be allright

Michards letter
Capt. Green
Nov 29th 1868

after a while it was very much
bled shot but is wearing off and
I am in good health better than
I was before I was sick.

I send the Deed by Capt James Green
as it is the only chance that I may
have and as he is going west to
Sag Harbor he may see you or some
one that you will get it all right
Mr. Halsey was very much pleased
with his visit to Bro. Foster but
things has altered very much since
she left Mr. Halsey is getting along very
well and will soon be so that he can
get about with crutches, they had a very
good thanks giving and was very
patriotick in some of the churches
and I hope they will keep it up
but it will be hard to fight the catholics
as there is a great many Irish and
other foreigners and most of them
as they are in new York are catholics,
I have not had a pen in my hand

to do any writing of any account since
I have got well and it comes very
unhandy for me to write and
I will do it oftener, I would have
like to have got the Rev Dr Scudder
Thanksgiving Discourse to have sent
you they say it was very appropriate
for the times, I wish you all a
Merry Christmas hoping this will
find you all well my love
to Sister Elizabeth Charlett & Lucia and
all the Rest, I will endeavor to
write you soon

Your affectionat Brother
M. Dering