

Guaymas July 28<sup>th</sup> 1862

Dear Sister

By this you will see that I am well. I have moved back here and how long to stop is more than I can say but I hope not long for it is very warm and one suffers very much with the heat if he moves about and it is hard work for me to keep still long at a time, I hope that I shall be able to get a way before the French Blockader. The port they have all ready got some man of war or howdah and it is reported that one is expected here before long, it is a hard place to stop in every thing is so very dear and nothing which makes one living come very dear. Mr. Ferris and my help is coming here by our selves having brought some provisions from the Island with us, I hope that they will send down a vessel soon that I can go up and load it and leave the Island for good and get out of this business and what I shall do at next is hard to say I have some hopes of getting my

Land that I have had promised to me  
as they are a bout making treaties with  
parties to survey it but promise is not  
all ways kept espaly in these hard times  
it is over 14 months that I have been on  
that Island and I do not now that I have  
drown or sent of my wages as I have  
not heard from Fordham & Jennings this  
6 months; and as the steamer has stop  
running when I shall have a chance  
to hear from San Francisco or send will  
be Merchman I send this by Capt. Gascon  
of the Prude of the Seas he is an old acquaintance  
of mine and has promised to put them  
in the post office for me and not only  
that if I wanted to go to San Francisco  
in his Brig I could have a passage  
in welcome, a chance that does not often  
come round for the Price of a Passage  
is 75 to 80 \$ but as I cannot very well leave  
an less I should disappoint them for they  
may have a vessel on the way to Cook  
and if I should not be here it would  
put every thing back but it would not  
disappoint them any more than what  
they have me in not paying me

My money wch they have left from  
you and me I made out to get  
40 \$ the other day the first money

that I have drown that I now of  
for the last 14 months and work  
hard at that for I have worn out all  
my clothing and have not got  
any thing to get more with but I shall  
have to make out the best I can till I  
hear from San Francisco and then  
I may not be any better off I sent up  
to San Francisco last February for some clothing  
and shoes and I have not got them as  
yet, I hope that I shall hear from  
you soon as I have not had any  
letters from you in over 4 months  
whether you get mine I do not the  
letter you sent to the care of Mr. Robinson  
all ways come through safe but Mexico  
being in trouble as well as the States it  
is very uncertain whether they get  
through all right, you must remember  
me to all Enquiring Friends My Love  
to Sister Charlott Eliza and all of the  
Youngster,

I shall write you in a few  
Days by a Brownin ship that is bound to some  
part of California for a cargo of Lumber  
hoping this will find you all in  
good health

I remain Your affectionat  
Brother Richard Dering