

Miss M. & P. Dewing

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Dear Sisters

I have at last made a stroke of Pen Ink & Paper after being absent from the City for the last 4 weeks but have not got any thing permanent to do and nothing that amounts to any wages I am very sorry that the partyes failed to send me on to the States that is to New York but so it is I have often wish't my self back in Guaymas as I think I could have seen sum thing their or could look after what I had down in the state of Sonora after under going so much as I did in the Mountains but at the time every thing look so dull that I thought I would come up to San Francisco but I have sent out of the Pen in to the Fire their is not in all of San Francisco with all its wealth so much Owner as their is in an Indian town in the state of Sonora all those you write that the French will never leave Mexico they will either Love or take California Arizona New Mexico & Texas and as much more as she wants but let her do as she will I wish I was back in Sonora for I could get along their and make a living and not be any more endanger of my Life than I am

in this City all though no one ever troubles me
and good Reason as I do not give them any occasion
but one is more liable to assasin and Heaves than
he is down their as for Society it is not to be found
at any rate I have not seen it I think I never would
like to make its acquaintances their may be some but
it will require more wealth than I am posses of to
get at it I then I think I should have the worst of
it I will and see Mrs Nicholls and Denison once and
while meet some Long Islanders at times, met Prentis
Moulford in the street the other day had a long
talk with him as I had not seen him in a number
of years he is in a Printing office and looks and
acts very much like his Grand Father Printer. Robert Gardner
went some time ago to the Sandwich Islands for his health
You must remember me to all Enquiring Friends
My love to sister Charlott & Eliza and all their
family they is nothing new of any account
it has been very stormy weather the past ten
days and muddy and very unpleasant about
the streets hoping this will find you all
well I remain your affectionate Brother
Richard Dering