

Georges Island Feb 5<sup>th</sup> 1862.

Dear Sister

I received your letter of October the other day as it is over 2 months that we have had any one near us the letter you sent directed to W. Robinson come all right, but I felt very much grieved to think that you had not got any money from San Francisco. What is the reason is more than I can say but it is not using me right as I have it due me, their and if they intend to pay me they can do it Monthly as well to let it run on so long and keep you and me out of it I sent an Order the last time I wrote Fortham & Jennings for 100\$ to send you and wrote to them I wanted they should pay up the back pay whether they will I have not heard I shall send an other order for 100\$ more to send to you and if they do not pay the Orders then I shall work off for so work for small pay on an Island like this and not gitt it is not what is exact up to be for I had rather try some thing else where I can get my Pay provided it was smaller, I shall write to Capten



I shall about it as he will most likely  
to be in San Francisco when my letter

Reaches there he has all ways thought  
that Fossilhorn & Jennings was sending it  
some to you. Every month or at least Drawing  
from Sent Sherwood & Co Monthly as he was  
speaking about it a few days before he  
left the Island. We have had very un-  
pleasant weather for the last month  
some rain and very cold and windy  
and in a month or two it will be hot &  
enough to waste Eggs in the sun it is  
a very unpleasant Island to be upon but  
I am in hopes to get off of it before long  
What I shall go out next is more than  
I can say you was saying in your  
letter that you could not find Georges  
Island on any of the Maps it is in the  
Gulf of California in the Latitude of  
31 North or West of Altar which is quite  
a large Town and Coboca which is some  
to the South of us but only 60 Miles from the  
Island a Baron sandy Road most of the  
way and but 3 places to get any Water  
on the Road. The Mesquites come down  
a West of the Island to a salt Pan  
and Pack up salt to Coboca and Altar  
we see them but very seldom as we do not  
go over very often to get fresh Water

only when we have a vessel come up  
from Guaymas and then we send her  
over for Water we have got a few Peaches  
and Water Melons from them which was  
quite a treat for us, I hope I shall be  
able to write you a gain in the course  
of 2 or 3 months as I expect a vessel will  
come up from Guaymas by that time  
to supply us with Water I do not  
expect to hear from you or any one else  
or have a chance to send you a letter  
much short of that time

You mention in your letter that  
Hannah Slight was likely to get married  
I think she must write me a few lines  
or has she forgotten me, I have not her  
for the other day in over hauling my Trunk  
and I had to stop and look at her dequarant  
ipe one that I brought from Sag Harbor with me  
only think she was but a small Girl and is  
now thinking of getting married I shall  
soon begin to think that I am getting  
along in Years and some times feel that  
woy after working hard but it appears to me  
that the Older I grow the harder I have to  
work and the less I get for it but I am in  
hopes that in a few Years that I shall get at  
some thing where I shall not have to worke so hard  
but it depends all together how the States



turning in their Troubles as the South  
is all the Market for Guano and when  
that is stop it stops all over Wroke here  
in the Gulph, Dear Sister give my Respect  
to all in quiring Friends Love to Sister  
Elizabeth Charlott Elvans and Henry & Edward  
I hope one of the other of the Boys will turn  
a trade or be an Ingenieur or son they  
bead hanging around a Store unless they  
have money enough to set them selves up  
in Buisness when they have got through  
their Clark Ship Tell Edward he had  
better go in to the Navy if there is any  
such thing for him to get them

I hope that this will find you in good  
Health and all the Rest of my friends

I Remain Your affectant Brother  
Richardson