

My own means depend on my personal earnings, and I had designed to place myself in Europe N. H. so as to realize promptly, by my great personal privations, the means to do to yourself and others; and when I came to be expected to do in two months all that this prepared pay for, & then hasten to the principal capitalistic in this enterprise, I was liberal pay to remain permanently in terms definitely on my own. You may rely upon it that I shall secure a as beyond the moderate demands of my, the surplus shall be devoted to the pay of until all shall be paid, and that I will allow a fraternal sentiment to prevent me from enjoying what I can get for the same purpose from my brother. He is just as anxious to pay as you are to be paid; but he has so many places to use means that he is unreliable as to any particular payment unless one stands by to catch the little sums as they flick through his hands. It will not be long, I verily believe, until he will be accounted among the very wealthy, but in the meantime I shall try to see you paid out of the minor sums which he may control.

By inadvertence, on leaving home, I left your former letter & statements behind; and as my papers are so much distant from my wife, I beg to trouble you for a copy of your former statements or simply the amt. due up to any given time. Direct your answer to me "Care of Pryor Sea, Galveston Texas". I go immediately to Austin, & probably thence to Galveston; but if I go not to Galveston, my brother will.

I write after a hard days ride amidst herds of cattle, wild horses, deer & fowls innumerable, with Mexican herders around the fire in a ranch belonging to a German.

Trusting that you may long be spared to your friends,
I am, my dear Sir, very truly yours,
A. M. Sea

P. S. Got up 11 P. M. Wed. 6 Jan. I arrived in a shower at 8 1/2 P. M. Find my brother at home, all well. Have to talk business. The mail closes very early in the evening. write to you again.
A. M. S.