

Dear Dudu -

I am very glad you wrote to
Dad - your letter pleased him - so much he
let me read it! - he usually is very loath to
let us know anything in the letters he receives,
it just suited him, and is a very interesting
letter - I hope you and Avey will enjoy your
travels and not get sick of the heat - It is very
pleasant here - we've had no hot days this summer.
I find it very lonely - Almost everyone you meet
has a cold. Emma & Sam have had heavy ones
all last week. I don't see why - Wednesday we went
over to see your Clara Kalisher but she was not
home - she lives in a nice clean flat on Sutton
St (1106.) I'd like to go to her concert if I can find out
when it is to be - Hilda Newman is going - East under
a concert engagement - she'll give a concert before
she leaves the 15th of October - We got no letter from
Pam in yesterday's mail - Arthur Bayley got a
letter in which he said, he was going to one of the
other Islands and had no time to write. Some-
how I imagine Pam has been sick. Tropical
climate probably - Professor Kellogg and wife sailed
yesterday and probably will meet Pam in Japan.
Well Avey, I met his wife Sherman yesterday. Looking
remarkably well - Mrs Benson fell and broke one

of her ribs and another lady in our church fell and
broke her hip - that's about fine I've heard of in a
week. Pa is very well. - Seldens keeps coming and
going every day - there is a lively building activity
going on but the people in the old buildings seem
to be the new tenants - The young people that get
married are building new houses for themselves
over on the land back of the Redemptor Berth, so
there is quite a settlement on those hills -
Aunt sent me a fine large picture of Nina -
George is a wonderful bird - he is getting his new
feathers - I did not think he'd survive this molting
season he is very weak, but bright. I never knew
a bird to live so long - This week I hope to get the
kitchen repapered - as yet I dread, but a necessity -
There is a girl in the flat where Pollie Sumner
used to live who sings and plays the piano
early in the morning - and at all hours - we
find it very trying - I should not think Mrs Ayres
would like it - Mrs Anderson is now moved
down out of her garret room into a small but
pleasant room and I am glad for that garret
she's lived in for a year or two there was only a
small space where you could stand clear of
the roof slope - her bed now under the roof
Aunt Jane is so well - she is coming to Alameda
to visit Mabel. Give lots of love to Mary and
keep all you care for - for your dear self -
I am
Your loving
Ma

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