

754 Franklin St
Oakland, Cal

Dear Budw.

Your postal card arrived today
the 2nd and satisfied us all just as well
as a letter. in that it assured us you
were well and ready to start on your
vacation (?) with Annie - I do trust you
both will enjoy it and stay away from
Paris as long as you can - I do not worry
if you don't write, and had much rather
you slept or diverted your mind than write
when tired or hurried - Mr Brown was here
last night to know if we'd had a letter - and
was fondly exultant when we said no -
he had, one on Monday saying Arthur had
a felon on his finger - we sympathized and
told him of the things they are - he expected
certainly to get another letter today - he is well
and expects Mrs Brown to return this fall -
the days have a fall air and are shorter -
I'm sorry, for I do not love the winters -
I had the sitting room chimney cleaned yester-
day - by one of Sam's fireman friends a very
disrespectable appearing person - who told Delia

that if Sam was home he'd give him Beer
and not water when he asked for a drink -
I was afraid of another chimney fire - and Pa
is likely to light a fire anytime now - I'd often
have a fire if I was alone here - it's chilly -
I have a new black Jacket and skirt
Tailor made by Miss Hines - Today she skinned
one of my old dresses - black - so I'm now
ready for the Winter - the new Jacket is
modest lined with white but I preferred the
grey as it was light enough not to wear
off on light waists and more serviceable
than white - We are invited to Miss Mac
Taylor's wedding Reception on the 4th - of
Sept from 8 to 10 in the evening - she is to wear
white and her matron of honor is to be the
Burdett girl who was married a few months
ago - now I think she ought to have had
^{her} Stance who is a pretty girl - The Invitations
sent you are unnecessary cards of the
morning of Ethel - to her Doctor ^{William}
Dinwiddie Briggs - I guess you will be in-
terested to know that Doctor Edward Lindell
is engaged to Miss Churchill of Napierher
Pa is one of the wealthiest men there I think
a Banker - very well known people she is
as old as he is - or nearly - he was 30 in

October last - the engagement is not annulled
that I've ever heard - but he goes to Napa
to see her every two weeks - he's known
her a long time - her father would like them
to marry and he'd help them - but Edward
said - he'd rather wait until he could
support her himself - I've heard she is very
nice girl - been abroad, speaks German
very well, also several other languages
and is an up to date girl - The doctor is
getting quite a practice in Sacramento, he
lives home - Blanche goes out about every night
and is very gay - but not engaged - Emma
and Hart are invited to the wedding of Mr
Dress and Miss Gage - on the 3rd Sept I think
Mrs Anderson sent Ethel a sugar and Cream like
she gave Emma of silver - they are pretty and
useful things to have - she has gone to Cleveland
Ohio to live or is going - think she's visiting up north
on her wedding trip - I suppose Aunt and Capie
are in the mountains somewhere for Capie's
health - hope it will do Aunt good - the change
to too bad Capie is so afflicted - though
I can't seem to think she got about on
her crutches quite nicely - it's good that
time is so much better -

one day this week Emma and I called on
Mrs Horace Watson and Mrs Robins - Mrs
Watson was very pleasant - she only has
three dogs and 22 cat - one house cat &
Mollise - she is very handsome - Mrs Robins is
cheerful keeps house with Ethel and her two sons
Bury boards in the house meet the Olneys and
and is often seen on the street with Horace Watson
I don't know why he don't marry her -
The strikes put a stop to so much building
Arvey has had no work for some time and
consequently no pay - he is pleasant and
quiet - Sam is well and active. Pa is well
tries to do business for Sam - but he and
Arthur don't seem to make much headway
but they are hopeful - Emma has to start
so early mornings she will find it very
hard work when the days are shorter,
she don't look well - those trips were too hard
for her - the altitude was too high - I don't
tell her so - but I don't think much of Hart's
Common Sense - I mailed you the last page
of the latest Bulletin Society news as I
thought it might interest the Browns -
This is a dull letter but its to assure you
that I am here -
Sincerely
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