

Nome June 18, 1901

My dearest Ones -

Well here I am, at last, after a long voyage, found lots of ice, which delayed us about four days - looked a little shakey at times - one large passenger steamer "Roanoke" got in the same day we did (16th) with a hole six feet wide & 7 feet long punched into her side by ice.

I stood the trip fine not sick at all. Ila & Ma in bed most of time but not sick. Lizzie R, thought she would surely die, so I advised her to jump overboard, as I thought there was no show for recovery.

Found Louis, Thof, & all well & looking finely. I went out with Jim 8 miles & staid last night Ella & Bella & Boy all well. I brought \$700.00 back with me that Jim had washed out for Wild Goose. Louis thinks pictures "out of sight" says he is going out this fall - weighs 180 lbs. Was standing talking with some of our boys about ten minutes ago & saw two fights, streets simply jammed - about 1200 people landed the same day we did "Barbara Hernester", I guess, is expected any time, will not go to our mine, till it comes with grub. Lots of snow here, more than there has been for years at this time, but is thawing fast. last year at this time, or rather the first of this month, last year there was no snow at all will not be able to get into Teller for a few days yet, ice not out. Louis is going to give me a rug, like that fancy one at house in city. Indian make two or three of his, choice, dogs team dogs for Dan, says they can take you & kids twelve miles an hour as long as you can clap your hands & laugh.

Am going 18 miles, on the coast, with Louis to-night to take some timber, to get a launch out of the ice with. We are going to-night with the stuff so the men can get to work at it to-

morrow. It is as light here at nights now, as it is at home about sundown. Last night at 11 o'clock Ella & I could see two horses on a side hill at least three miles off - as well as we could in the middle of the day.

Ma says for you to write to Mab, as she fears her letter (Ma's from here) may not reach her, not knowing just how long Mab will be in Detroit. Ila lives close to R.R. on a little hill near W. G. Co. stree on the spit & is fixing up her house, has every body around her at work. Till Price has a fine mine - & all reports are away up from ours.

Bill Spencer not here, roads too rough & so much snow & ice. Till and Belle Lane's match, all off - Louis says Belle is a fool. There is a boat going out to-night & Lou Emery is here ready to take letter to put on her last minute.

Will write soon again - glad to get so early a chance to send a letter off. Lots of love for my dearest little family - kiss them all lots for me.

Always devotedly yours  
Paul