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Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>

My dear Mauna

We got the book on growing ~~an~~ vegetables & flowers as well as their list for ~~a~~ 1885. from Sutton, thanks most awfully from both of us for the book, we certainly ought to be able to grow something now, Bill wrote for some seeds at once, a 2<sup>g</sup> selection of vegetables and 5<sup>g</sup> of flowers, if half of them come up it ~~to~~ will pay us very well, of course you shall hear how we get on.

I have not written to Herbert since I got your letter but I will be sure & tell him to write to you when I do. Bill was obliged to go to his <sup>me</sup> ~~business~~ <sup>business</sup> the last Tuesday and of course could not come back until Wednesday, I was going to stay at home by myself, but

The Thompsons (those ladies who have just come out I told you of) very kindly asked me to stay the night with them and I was very glad to go, for it would have been very lonely all by myself in the house all night - One of Mr Murray's dogs was bitten by a ground-rattler (like the ones in Wyoming) the other day, he never noticed it until the cheek began to swell & then ~~we~~ rubbed kerosene <sup>in</sup> the dog's head swelled a good deal at first but he was alright again in two days, so the beast can't be so very deadly after all. We had Mr Davidson and Mr Murray to supper last night and afterward at about ten o'clock, we were surrounded by three or four niggers, they all being more or less, but these four were really so very good, we gave them drinks and then one got rather mad

away they went. There is another house going to be built about two hundred yards off, they have just finished clearing the ground for it, the man it is for is not out yet. There are fresh settlers arriving two or three times a week now and I believe a regular crowd will be out in a short time. We have not had any rain for some time so Bill was obliged to water the orange trees yesterday - I suppose Rose is back by this, she told me she had no place to go to so was going to stay in some hotel in Town, she will go to Dover I expect. I should like a photo of Gladys very much, I expect she has altered a good deal even in this short time. I wish old Kathleen could come out here, I am sure she would like it & of course it would be awfully

nice for me, but we couldn't <sup>afford</sup> afford  
to keep her just yet or I would ask  
her. I have not heard very lately  
from Tom, so I did not know you  
had left Edwards; I don't suppose  
it will make any difference to me.  
Please give my love to ~~Liza~~ all the  
others at home.

Yours affectly

Helen F. Warner -

P.S. I did not noticed these dirty  
marks until just now, but I  
dare say you won't mind.

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