

From: Ellen Maria Goff, 466 Union St., Stockton, California

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To: Alice Maria Watrous, East Berkeley, California

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Stockton Dec 15th 1891

Dear Alice:

Your letter was received yesterday. Emma Jane is not going down again this month, so I send you enclosed an Express money order for 10 dollars. Your father has been feeling very blue since his return from Kern in consequence of finding his affairs looking very badly there, and think we ought not to make much of Christmas this year. I suppose of course we shall have to do a little for I know E. J. is making things for us; but we shall have to go rather slow. Use this money to pay your necessary expences and if there is more than you need you can buy some little things, and if not let them go. Don't get anything for me for I don't want a thing.

I am sewing on your dress but haven't got it half done yet. Mrs. DeGuire is visiting in town. There is not much to write, and you will be here soon so I will close.

From your mother

E. M. Watrous.