

Letter #47

San Francisco 15th Augt

One sheet blue Mrs. C. H. Fassett

lined paper Granville O

11½ x 9¾" My Dear Mother

folded in Your valued favor of 27th June and continued to 14 July was Received, This
half to make afternoon. like you it makes no difference in my interest to your letter
4 pages. because you were two weeks writing it I read and enjoy it all. I can well
imagine from your description how you all seemed and talked on the evening
of my birthday certainly thought of you one and all and of Home Then.

Date: 8/15

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Place: San

Francisco

From:

Chittenden

[N. C.

Fassett]

To: Mrs. C. H.

Fassett

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cannot remember just what I did but as it was Sunday presume I passed most
of the day at home I live pleasantly more so than ever before in the States in a
private family which consists of Mr and Mrs Bidwell, Miss Hewes a school
Teacher, Mr Weans (?) my particular friend and roommate and myself. all as
good and Kind friends as any one could desire each one would do for the
others what a brother or sister would. We live on the hill and from our
windows have a splendid view of the City and Bay it is about one mile from
the wharves but have a good view of Shipping arrivals and departures and it is
some distance from my business and do not come home from the time I
leave in the morning after Breakfast 8 o'clock untill dinner 6 P.M. only have
two meals per day here. presume you will think it rather hard to be so long
without eating but I prefer it to three. my postscript to Ann's Letter I know
was outrageous but had no time to write then. Ann very sorry to hear that
Aunt Sallie and Uncle are not so well situated as well as on the old farm.
think with you they missed in going away who lives in their house. Do not
look for me home I only intend to seize the very first opportunity to come it
may be in one year or two or might be in three months. It is very hard to go
away so long. We have now a weekly overland mail from Placerville to St.
Josephs Mo. may send you a letter that way one of these days for variety.
Received a note from Ann this morning were all well Harris and Hale were
well and very busy. business at the new place is good. sent you Draft by last
mail for Seventy Five Dollars please acknowledge receipt as if it should be lost
will send another. will send Fifty Dollars by next mail after this. we are just
now enjoying the most magnificent Peaches you ever saw. they would be a
real curiosity if you could only see them. would give anything if I could only
send you a Box I received yesterday morning from Sac were very few that
would go into a large Coffee cup. we have now in market, Apples Grapes
Plums Straw & Raspberries Peaches Apricots, Cherries Currants, Nectarines,
Whortleberries, Gooseberries, Figs, Limes, Bananas, Oranges Black berries &c,
but they cost a good deal of money and a person cannot use them freely
without being extravagant. but as they Grow more plenty every year expect
them to be very reasonable in a year or two and then California will be the
place to live You have nothing to eat but we can mention it in our list or
equal it with something you have not. am going to watch tomorrow night
with a sick person and must close and go to bed tonight as it is five days
before the mail goes. will try and write more if I do not give my love to all

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and remember me as ever

Chittenden

[Written at the top of the first page]

Mary's Yeast Receipts do not seem to be directed to any person so I presume they may be to me

[Written vertically across the first page]

Augt 17. All well, Received a letter from Pacheco to day
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