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Santa Barbara July 28 1872

My good friend 'Mimi'

Your Postal did not reach me till five days after date.

After receiving it as you are aware I telegraphed to know of you where abouts - I found you at San Jose & probably would call on you return - I extended my ticket (ship) to the next Boat a day or two before leaving I visited the Natl. Frisiz. Rooms then found Dr. Kellog. on my mentioning your name he said you had been in S.F. & took dinner with him.

It would have been a gratification to see a man who a loving Providence had watched over with such pertinacity & shield him from sudden death a Thousand times

or more. Mr Herbert Spencer
& his crowd might laugh with
a sneer at such expressions -
but I will play in them.

With warmest regards to Sony
Muri & a kiss for the lovely little
daughter

Truly your friend

H. D. Stubbins

P.S. I hope in the future to do better
as my next visit to S. J.

H. D. S.

-A little more. Say to Mrs Muri
there was something in her telegram
that made me feel towards her
as an old familiar friend |
I hope so rather than to be disgusted
with her. H. D. S.

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