

Turkey Mexico
February 1st 1871

Dear Brother William

It is with a
a sorrowful heart I write these
few lines to you, when I was on
to New York last summer I little
thought I should meet with the
loss I have met with so soon after
my return home, when I arrived home
I found Sarah and the Babe both
sick and I thought the baby was
dangerous but had no idea that
Sarah was, In a day or two after I
got home Sarah got up around the
house and I thought was getting quite
well again, so she helped to move the
furniture to the vessel and was very
anxious to get away and get settled
out here, Three days after we left
Galveston she was taken with a
Hemorrhage from the Lungs and the
next day she had four Hemorrhages and
the next day one so she had six
Hemorrhages in three days, from that she
commenced failing after we got ashore

She had inward inflammation set
in and finally it settled in the
Bladder for about four days she
suffered dreadfully from inflammation
of the bladder which I suppose was
the cause of her death. She died on
the morning of the 10th of January
at 3 o'clock, I had not the least
idea that her Lungs were affected
as the Doctors all said that it was
Bronchitis and not the Lungs, and
I did not feel the least alarm about
her until she commenced spitting
blood, it was very sudden to us
all, she was sick two weeks after
she had her first Hemorrhage,

Give my love to all of the children
and tell them to write to Cecilia
she will keep house for me and
keep the children all together which
was their Mother's request,

I will bid you good bye for
this time, from your Brother
from Wm. Barbeau, Charles R. Cook