

Seattle Oct 5^{~~th~~} 1853

Mrs Lyman - Dear Friend:

I don't know when I have felt so glad & thankful, as when we received Mr Lyman's letter & learned that you were still improving. And Mr. Scott said you are decidedly better. Dear friend, I feel that it is to be, as I told you - your life will be spared for many years, - you will live to see your children, all occupying positions of honor & profit, & that this may be so is my heartfelt prayer.

We had a good time visiting with Mr. Scott.

But he could not tell

me much about Sarah -
he however thought she
was at home. I should
like to know how her
health is.

I am feeling some better
than when you were here.
Amy contracted a heavy
cold some two weeks ^{ago} from
which she has not yet fully
recovered. The Territorial
Fair came off here this
past week, & was decidedly
a success. The ladies de-
partment was well filled -
fancy work, & needle work
in abundance, & very nice -
a fine array of fruits &
vegetables & different kinds
of seeds - also a good show
of poultry, but there was
no stock to speak of.

I presume you have heard
that after you went away Mr.
McLeod was chosen pastor
of our church. The church is
to pay him fifteen hundred
dollars this year & he on
his part assures them, that
he is quite confident, he
can lift the debt from
the proceeds of his lectures.

I hope everything will be
right at the close of the
year, but I confess I have very
~~great~~ grave doubts. I never
saw a people so carried away
so enthusiastic over one
man as the majority of our
church is over him. And
at the same time it confesses
itself unable to pay such a
salary & is depending on out-
side help - taking up collec-

tions every Sabbath &c.

Some of the members have spoken to me rather apolo-
gizingly for asking this man
instead of Mr. Lyman, & to all
such I have answered decided-
ly that Mr. Lyman did not
want the place.

Mrs. Mc Cord is rather
worse than usual, the last few
days, as she became rather excited
over the Fair - you see she had
a good deal of fancy work on
exhibition. Now I do not
ask you to write to me but if
Mr. Lyman or one of the chil-
dren would drop me a line
occasionally & let me know
how you are doing I would
take it as a favor. Mr. George
desires to be remembered to you
all & so do I. As ever your Friend
G. C. George