

Amice You Works.

San Francisco Cal.

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My dear friend:

By the last steamer  
I received your letter telling me  
of the proposed visit here of your  
brother in law Mr. Ross, and of  
his visit to me here at the works.  
He presented your letter of introduction  
and I was very glad to show  
him about the works and only  
regret that his time was not  
sufficient to see more. He had  
an engagement for the after-  
noon and we had to take a  
very hurried look around the  
Jard & Shops when I can see  
there are many things that would  
have proved interesting to look into  
in detail. He has promised to come  
again and then we could see both.

Sunday Evening I called to  
see him at his hotel to see what  
but not finding him in left  
my card and a note asking  
him to dinner with me on  
either of his remaining evenings.  
This AM. I have a note that  
owing to a mistake he did not  
get my note until too late to  
accept my invitation. I am  
sorry it has so happened I have  
now so little of time but I  
nevertheless his time has been  
fully occupied until night-  
falling. A longer stay would  
have given him time to see  
many things of interest, among  
others, visits to numerous plants  
of Electricity, of which there are  
many in the State, power from  
the waterfalls of the Sierra Nevada  
mountains is transmitted to places

factories, mills and mining works,  
and within a short time will  
be brought to San Francisco & other  
coast towns.

The national campaign for the  
next President - has now fairly  
started and will be an interesting  
one in many ways, among  
other things to be seen how far  
the 16-1 still influences the  
Country. The last 4 years have  
been very eventful ones to  
our Country and brought up  
many new & novel situations,  
I was sorry to see Roosevelt  
side tracked from the Governor-  
ship of New York, but I would  
like to see that I expect to see him  
come out on top. I saw you  
a paper with some account  
of the Convention in which I  
trust you will find something  
interesting to read. I hope to get

home this fall in time to vote  
for McKinley as I did four  
years ago and see no reason  
to regret, I may get leave of  
absence if I remain here.  
My work here runs along in very  
pleasant lines and I could  
not be better suited if I had  
my choice. I have recently  
made the trip to the Yosemite Valley  
and was fully repaid, it is a  
wonderful place and no pictures  
I have seen or description I have  
read do it full justice.

With kind regards to your  
wife and boys believe  
me

Yours very sincerely

W. N. Stevenson