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OFFICE OF THE

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Sitka

ALASKA,

December 12/89.

My dear Mr. Merritt

We were delighted to hear of your safe return home on the "Corwin" and cordially wish you and your dear wife joy. The "Kush" called in here on her way down + I learned of your safety + departure for San Francisco from the officers on board. We have read your letter in the "Bulletin" with great interest in which we were joined by others of your friends here, among them good Doctor DuLaney who very lately died at his home in Virginia where he had just arrived after a long tiring trip from Sitka - we miss him very much. Col Ball & family are also at their old home in Alexandria Virginia. Ball's successor Major Morris is now here with Mrs. Morris.

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OFFICE OF THE

NORTH-WEST TRADING COMPANY,

ALASKA.

We are leading a very quiet life this winter reading & studying. At present I am engaged in writing a vocabulary of the ~~Alutic~~ language which when finished will have printed for general use - I am assisted in it by Mr McLean the signal service observer stationed here.

This steamer brought to Sitka the Messrs. Krouse two German Scientists - who intend to remain in this section till next fall - This winter they will remain at our Chilcoot post & may make a trip to Hakatav in the spring, going overland. They said that they would have liked very much to have met you in San Francisco.

We want to see you very much indeed & hope that you will find it attractive this way next season.

SCHULZE,
President,
Portland, Oregon.

CARL SPUHN,
J. M. VANDERBILT, } Joint Managers,
Sitka, Alaska.

OFFICE OF THE

NORTH-WEST TRADING COMPANY,

ALASKA.

I sincerely hope that you may
be able to write by next mail
as we are anxious to hear of
your good health & that of your
wife & dear little one.

We are enjoying perfect health,
Annie is growing fast and a great
companion to me.

We wish you all a very Merry
Christmas & a happy New Year.

Sincerely Yours
J. M. Vanderbilt