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Pacific Grove Cal Sep 6/13

Dear Brother John

I Enclose a clipping from a Postage paper on the Passenger Pigeon which I know will interest you & it may ~~be~~ worth while ^{to} follow it up.

All usual well here. The only item of news is that Sister Sarah is to be left alone here. Annie & Marjorie are about to leave for Los Angeles - where Marjorie will attend Normal School for two years. My Guidenger will build a small house on his land for them & Kenneth will earn the money to pay the bills. He gets \$50⁰⁰ per month or more. He graduated from the Polytechnic last June.

Sarah is real well & brave & I will look after her what I can. My kind regards to all the folk & yourself, Your Brother David

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Wild, or passenger pigeons are remembered by many of the old residents of this state. In their boyhood many men who are now old and gray haired hunted these birds. They suddenly disappeared, however, and have been long thought to have become extinct. The Hartford Press of last week has the following to say in regard to a flock seen near that city: "Harry Malloy, of the town of Erin, witnessed a sight Tuesday that is unique in this generation, a flock of passenger pigeons. They came from the northeast and were flying southwest, apparently going to the swamp where, Mr. Malloy says he has been told, they had their haunts years ago, and where the settlers used to go at night and kill them with clubs."

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