

Letter No. 37

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John Olds and R.T.Harris

My very dear & true friends! I have waited untill tonight hoping I might get a letter or hear from you in some way. The mail & express been in several days so I hear the passengers. Carroll got in this morning & I hear he is making his braggadocios blows that he won't let up untill he has me out of the way. A Party over heard him tonight in the Occidental & he everlasting raked me up. Well let him. I dare him and his gang to take the stand openly against me. (For the last 3 days I have been before the committee of the Grand Jury & they have started a close investigation in my case; still there is so much they got to inquire into, that it is slower than a snail walk, and I got no one to push anything for me. My lawyers have so much on hand that my case is too insignificant to them to pay me much attention. Knight has only got over his electioneering & has not gone back to work at law yet. He told me tough that he had seen those papers at Lande's & that you had an a number one case, that he would not interfere with Mr. Lande but if he did not do right by you at once he would quick enough take hold, only it was not professional to interfere with others cases.

Well I hope both of you have won your cases. Dick, you can get a lot more evidence here as I told Capt. Coughlan last spring. But you see I would have gotten it for you, if I had had a chance, but I am perfectly helpless, in here. Capt. Tyler, Fuller's former boss on Steamer "Garrett" now of "W.T.Walker" & also partner will give Fuller a hard character. Fuller treated Tyler same as me, Tyler set him into business & Fuller in a years time left his partner minus 5000 & a big lot of debts. Whores and gamblers having reaped a harvest.

G.W.Reynolds has succeeded again in turning Mrs. Roberts & Hall Bros from having any courage to take hold, he & his parasites have told such long stories of woes that any one would loose heart to invest one cent. Regensburger the little jobling lawyer who does the dirty work against me has again repeatedly made me propositions through some of the lambs to let up if I would deposit from 300-500 & he would let me out, but if I can only get Knight & Darwin down to work once they ought to burn the case up alive. But this city & these courts are so terrible corrupt, that a person would not believe it untill he gets a true insight into it. There is not one guilty person out of every 10 convicted who deserve to go across criminals go scott free, because the whole judicial government is more or less consisting of criminals & its only poor helpless devils who are made convicts.

I don't hardly expect to get another hearing before next spring. Courts only open again Monday & then will adjourn again in 3 weeks for the holidays.

Be sure & let me know all news. Has there been any assessment work done in the Basin? & where & on which claims? Is that Johnson mill completed & what success?

How is everyone & what are they doing on Quartz both in Basin & Island? I wished I had a few specimens, have promised the Sheriffs some for ever so long & they-always keep dunning me.

Those friends of yours Johnny, have not called yet, I suppose they are like everyone else, they don't like to come to a prison. Barry is himself under criminal charge, but out on bail.

We'll write me & let me know all news & give my best regards to everyone well wisher and friend up there I wished to God, Johnny your dream about me would come true.

Accept again my heartiest thanks & gratitude & believe me as ever Yours

Most Gratefully
Truly in F.L. & T.
Geo. E. Pilz