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Benicia, September 18, 1849

Dear Brother

Enclosed I send you the drawings of the aperture of the pipe for premium stoves Nos 3, & 1 & 5. – four & five being of the same size. From five to eight ft of pipe for each stove will be plenty. An elbow will be required for each. The joints are sometimes two ft long and sometimes less according to the material from which they are made. The common kind of sheet iron is good enough. Copper will answer if sheet iron cannot be had. I think an average of six pipes for each kind will do for the present. Perhaps it might be well to have rather more for No. 1 & 2 premium.

I found the cash over this morning, .25 coin and 6.00 dust and can't yet acct for it. Sales this morning up to ten o'clock \$41.25 — Please not present that order on Phelps in presence of Gilmore or let him know of it. I think it would be well to dispose of such goods as are on joint acct if it can be done to advantage except those on board the Hebe. I learn that fifty *(end of page 1)*

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vessels arrived Friday & Saturday and eight yesterday morning if so there will be a glut of goods for a short time. I hope you will bring Hanson up to the mark. Don't be annoyed by insolent Captains. In case of the Xylon *(ed. a ship docked in SF 9/14/1849)* it may be policy to let the Captain remain in ignorance as to who the consignees are until you see what can be done with it. I would not assume any responsibility in regard to the goods on board at present if it can be avoided as it would subject us to expense. The place where I got my pipe made last winter is on a corner opposite the Old Shades Tavern *(ed. note – corner of Pacific and Stockton)* up towards Mr. Merrill's. I have not time to say more. Lucy is improving.

Yours Truly,
C.E. Wetmore

Please ascertain of Geary Voorhees & Co how they are selling my clocks and collect what may be due me. You will have considerate business on your hands for a few days. *(end of page 2)*

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(addressed to:)

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(sent from)

C E Wetmore

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