Port Angeles Wash. Terr. July 1st 1864

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Dear Sir

Your favours of 6th (with Invoice of goods) and 17th ult. have come duly to hand. In that of the 6th you speak of my order to you, and ask me for references & statements as to my pecuniary condition, and you do so very justly.

Sir, I am candid with you — I confess I was rather rash in sending you the order, leaving until now, what I should have done then. But, you had the kindness to fill my order: And (although I say it myself) the trust you have reposed in me shall never be abused.

Prior to my first order to you, Mr. A. Casanrayou of Victoria told me he would write a letter of recommendation to you in my behalf. Perhaps he did not do so in a general manner, but only asked you to fill my order. He does business with you & known to you as a man of integrity I am confident. It was he first told me when I started here, that I had better order my goods through you. So him I refer you as one for my character. There are other Victoria men, such as the U.S. Consul, Edgar & Aime &c. whose permission I have not just now, but which I can get when I am over there some time ——— I am a young man — I started here with a small capital and mean to grow up on a small but sure scale (as you may see by my orders) if it be my luck. My purchasing two lots

here and lumber for a more commodious store room have set me back a little lately, but I hope things will take a favourable turn before long——————. I am sorry to say the Brig Crimea had not arrived at Victoria up to Yesterday — an unusual long trip. Strong W. winds last two days. I think she got in today. Ships 'Victor' & 'Germania' arrived here Yesterday & day before 24 & 28 days from S. F.——— A prospecting party has been set on foot here. They have been out but 4 days. They bring in from the range of mountains & back of us 'rock' that looks well & a good color of 'surface gold'. They are going to make a thorough tour this summer back of us, it being the opinion of the best miners here that there is paying mineral here. With $2 15 oz coin I sent you a letter which must have been mislaid on the mail sloop between

here & Victoria —

N. B. I did business one winter for Jas. Barry of Benecia Cal, whom perhaps you know. — I owe nothing outside of your ofc. except a little in Victoria V. I.

Hoping this will reach you well,
I am Respectfully Yours
W. J. King

To
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