

Tokio, Aug. 8th, 1881

My dear sister;

The trip to Nikko and return occupied just one week and was all most enjoyable. 'Tis too hot here to-day to write of it at any length, but when I get back to Sapporo I shall take time to write more.

Forty-six candidates for admission to our college presented themselves for examination, and as we were limited to four I

hope and believe that
I was able to get excel-
lent men.

To-morrow at ten A.M. I
sail on the Kumata steamer
for Hakodate and Otaru
on my way to Sapporo.
I shall be glad for yes-
terday and to-day have
been exceedingly hot. Previ-
ously the weather was very
endurable. Peabody will
sail for America on or a-
bout the twelfth. His home
as you may have heard from
me before is Champaign, Ill.;
but it is possible that

he may go east in the fall, in which case he will try to find you.

I have had some photographs taken by a Japanese artist in Yokohama.

They are not very good; but I send three of cabinet size, one for each, - Mat, Sam and yourself - addressed to the former and I enclose one of card size for you. I will send to my other brothers & sisters as I write to them.

My face, as you will

observe is somewhat thinner than usual - I have on my summer coat of flesh - in winter I weigh fully twelve pounds more.

I now have in my room more apples than I have owned or seen for the last five years - about three pecks which I have procured from the Kaitakushi. You may be sure I rejoice over them. I shall take them along with me to Sapporo.

With love as ever

Your brother

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