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Elder W. C. White,  
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Dear Brother:-

There is a matter which perplexes me a great deal and I desire to write to you in absolute confidence and that is in regard to the place where Emma and I shall stay when we come to California for a few months this winter. I will say, first, I shall have to complete Past, Present, and Future, before coming. It will probably take two or three months before we can get away from here, but we shall come just as quickly as we can do this. Will say that I Monday night for Kansas City to look up matters there and see if I can arrange the sale of some books. I shall have to do something in order to keep the work going until the book is completed.

Now, the matter that is troubling is in regard to the place where Emma and I shall stay while we are there. Now, quietly between you and me, Emma feels that she could not endure it to live at Mother's house. If we could go there and spend a few days and be where we could be off and on; but as for going there to stay two or three months, I am afraid it would almost kill her. Her experience while there was not pleasant from her standpoint, although Mother did every thing that she could and there is no fault to find in that direction.

I do not know as it is possible to explain to you how we feel in regard to this. In the first place, you know, the rooms below are never kept comfortably warm for people who are cold-blooded like Emma; and to come to Mather's table without butter and some such

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things as that which Sanitariums even provide, is a drawback that Emma could not endure for any length of time. Her appetite is peculiar and there are some things she can eat and some things she cannot eat; and as for myself the variety that there is on the Sanitarium table, it seems to me, would be of very great benefit to me.

Now, my brother, I want this to be in all kindness between you and me and go no further. It seems to me that if I could have a chance to rest and be off by ourselves the most of the time and then could come and go as we wanted to, that this is about all we could do if we should come there.

Now, the thought has come to me that we might board at the sanitarium. Now, I wish you would see them at the Sanitarium and let me know what arrangements can be made for our board there for two or three months. We could then come to Mother's house for a few days and then we could go up and begin a course of treatment at the Sanitarium as seemed necessary in our case. Will you kindly make inquiries quietly and then let me know in regard to it? I am sorry to say these things, Will, because I am afraid there will be bad feeling someway, Emma and I are a little peculiar, we are growing old; Emma is 60 years old next month and I am 59, and to assimilate into a family like Mother's would not be a pleasant thing to contemplate and I am afraid would be very injurious to Emma. Emma is very nervous. Would it be possible for us to get some little cottage up there at the Sanitarium and then take our meals at the Sanitarium? Please be kind to me Will, in this and see what can be done.

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Now, there is another thing in my mind: I wish you would find out what it will cost to ship freight from St. Helena to San Francisco. The idea is, what it will cost to send forms of type. I have no idea that the thought I have in mind will come to anything, but still it might. Now, if you can get information for me as to what it will cost, in say, fifty and one hundred pound lots, it will be a great favor if you will let me know this, and it will, perhaps, help me to plan somethings. Will say that the future is very indistinct to me and I am looking at a whole lot of things, and I hope and pray and believe that the Lord will give us guidance to do the right thing now.

Your brother,

J. E. White