

My dear sister,
Your letter of the 11th. Feb. with inclosure of letter from Brenda was received on Saturday last. Pa. letter I inclose in this to return to you as I think it will be safer so. I was very glad of the opportunity to read it; but must confess that it left a disagreeable impression upon my mind. I think she is discouraged and home sick; but hope I may be mistaken or that,

My - would, though sensitive, have doubts which I shall be a success in managing her. With love to all, Will.

Sapporo, Japan
Monday, Apr. 13th. 1885
Wm. P. Murphy

Wanted later, would collect every day. I. J. Will in letter - what specimen of

at any rate, she is long
ere. this feeling much
better.

You must indeed from
what I hear from various
our sources have been
having a very severe win-
ter. I think we have had
even less wind than us-
ual and I have never
known a wind here vio-
lent enough to do any
great damage of any
sort although in spring
we have many high winds.
The climate here is not
so bright and cheerful as
that of Mass., but is very
much less trying to the
health. I have spoken to
the Japanese authorities

here about the chances
of employing you two or
three hours a day in our
preparatory school if you
should come out here
and I thought them rather
favorably impressed. I
was asked about what
I thought you would de-
sire for three hours teach-
ing daily and I said
the equivalent of about
one thousand dollars a
year (silver dollars). The
officers here have of
course to consult higher
officials, and it is not
unlikely that the answer
may be unfavorable.
I did not of course
say that you would

come - only, that possibly you might - I hope to learn something definite soon; but if it must be first referred to Tokio some time will elapse.

We are all quite well, Rae beginning to walk considerable, though she can creep so much faster that she still prefers that method of locomotion. She says several new words 'uma' (horse), betta (betto), Kim (girl's name; has an original word for please "ha - pa" at the same time clapping her hands, last night said 'tocki' for tick. Tocki. Doesn't clearly distinguish what a horse is yet but calls all objects (except dogs) moving on the street "Uma". Is very