

Letter from Mrs Brown to E. Stone addressed to Tewksbury Infirmary and returned unclaimed. Sent to R. Straus 2/25/50

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Son:

For a long time I have wanted to write to you but could not. You might be interested to know that right after you went into B. in N. Y had a shock. You have known for a long time my health. For months I was no good. They tried to make me pay your board and it was ~~awful~~ a mess. I gradually got around & had a dizzy spell the following July & fell & broke the fence down in yard and arm black as coal. By that time I did not get out any. Last January another fall with concussion -- lost taste and sight for a few days and broke a vein in the forearm so I can't do much with it can't write much hurt my back. So much for me. Suppose when I die they will say oh she was sick. No work here all winter just enough to get by one petticoat a coat for 6 yrs. etc. Well, I suppose you have had your trouble too. I was well woman until the West Coast it finished me. I am not going to preach to you. Lots have tried to help you but you lay it on to others, never yourself. (See enclosed) No one can help unless you want to be helped. See enclosed. I finally managed to find you one letter came back from ^{Water Street (Albany County)} W--t in N.Y. I write blind. It was a hard day on Mothers day & your birthday. There isn't any thing I can do about you or for you but at least you can get around. If there is anything I can do let me know. I worry about you & dream & pray. Mary in spite of my asking her would not tell me when your wife died or how. I only asked that. Anna was a nice woman! If you feel ~~that~~ you would like to write to me without recriminations - we both made big mistakes, do so.

Your still living Mother.