

State of Rhode Island
Senate Chamber
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Little Compton

My Dear Sister

Your letter received some ten days ago, was glad to get a letter from home, my own native land where my boy-hood memory comes back to me so vividly especially so, when I note your familiar hand and post mark of old UK I have little excuse for not writing, further than my time and energy has been directed in other channels, all of which is over for the next two years.

In the first place my ambition was to become a Free Mason. The degrees are very hard requiring a great deal of thought, attention and time. Having accomplished that task with honours, I have been confronted with a Senatorial fight which has been extremely strenuous but I am glad to say victorious am sending a strip in print for you to read Am going to be elevated to the position on the State Central Committee in Oct. if everything goes well, am up against a strong man who has been Lieutenant Governor of the State of Rhode Island. Will send you the results some time in Oct.

Concerning the family everything is very much the same. Flora is quite well coming as she does from the hardy Pilgrims that migrated from UK to these New-UK shores. Douglas my oldest boy has two children one boy & girl. They live in my house with me but apart. Fred Jr. also lives with me and his mother. He has taken over the ice business. Helen is away in her third year of school fitting herself for some business should she become dependent on herself in the distant future. Alfred is attending one of our District schools at present. My duty will be to help make the laws for the state and be a public servant to my constituents.

Now my dear sister you know how hard it is to get me to write - so help me out by sending Mary my letter first- because I feel that I have been very unjust to her and very unfair to you all in not writing and answering letters from home but let at me.

Thank you all heartily for all your past favours and may friendship and truth and love prevail in our family circle.

Accept our love from one and all. I am as ever your true friend and brother.

Frederick A. H. Bodington