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Cape Wachtman

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I received your welcome letter
with that you were well.
I suppose pretty long winded in answering it but
I wanted to get out to my new abode
before I wrote to see how I got on.
I have settled here about four months now
& am doing fairly well. I have got a bit of
a house erected which serves for Carpenters
shop, sleeping room, kitchen, dining room
parlour, store room & library all in one.
I have also got a dipper erected & some funds
I am busy at the present time making more
funds for working the sheep.
This is the lambing season here & the sheep
are busy lambing, the weather is fairly good
only a bit frosty at night, but it promises
to be a pretty fair lambing if it continues
the same as what it is at present.
We have had a very foggy wet winter

with very little snow so it promises to
be a pretty fair season for water &
grass which is pretty scarce in this locality
sometimes.

I have no neighbours (excepting the people
I have here working) nearer than about 50
miles so I am not too much troubled with
company, although I am so far away from
neighbours I get my stores landed within
five miles from where I have the settlement
& am to get the wool lifted from some place
so I have the port pretty convenient. The
worst thing is getting letters & getting them
away, they may sometimes be 3 or four months
before I get them as it is rather far to go
often on the chance of finding any, so
you must wonder if I am long in an-
swering your letters sometimes although I have
not been a very regular correspondent.
I am going up to Puerto Descado, I am
starting tomorrow & it will take me two days
to get there, I am going purposely to see if
there is any letters for me & to get some.

sent away.

Now that I have got out all by myself I am going to study economy as much as possible to see if in about two or three years more if I cannot come home & see you all, if everything goes well & spared untill that time I may manage it, but it will be hard scraping.

I am getting along fairly well here only I have had to sink a little in debt to get material to put up the necessary conveniences for working & it will take some time to pull out of it again but I think if things go smoothly & the punsa or lion, as he is called, doesn't kill to many sheep I may be able to drag out of it in a couple of years more, then that will make things a great deal easier.

I havent much more news to give you about this part of the world at present so I will return to home.

I was happy to see by your letter that that you had communication with all the family & that they were all in

fair health. I hope father is still keeping in good health.

ever he must be getting very old & not very able to do much now

I wish I could come home to see him but I must have patience & if we are all spared for another two or three years we may be able to meet again.

I am very sorry to hear about poor Janet being in a wickly condition, it is a good job that Adam & her get along together so well. I will have to be drawing to a close, hoping this will find you all enjoying good health as it leaves me in wonderful good spirits. Hope so with best respects & but love to everybody I will remain dear sister & brother your loving brother

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Good bye