has been made for their safe
transportation on the other side
to Seattle, a town on Puget
Sound, where they will be landed

The experiment on such a
scale is a very hazardous one,
but if it is carried through successfully & without accident,
it will I doubt not be followed
by emigrations of single women
to most of the western territories
& States. Massachusetts alone is
said to have over 60,000 more
women than men, while in
the western country the disproportion is as great the other
way.

There are hardly any persons I know in town except
officials. Mrs Campbell, the
Wilkes' Mrs Ames. Mrs Riggs
& have all entertained. I occasionally spend an evening
with Riggs & go there to dine

to dine, together with Capt Sands
who has just returned from Long
Island. Mr Chew, a gentleman
belonging to the State Department
and a particular friend of mine
is going on to New York and then
Hudson with his daughter and
a young son and I give him
a note to you requesting him
to call - I hope hearing this
to New York and telegraphing
as it might cross you on the
route. Sam's account of
D'Remsenberg is not encouraging,
and Seraphine's affairs at the
same is miserable - I don't
know that you can do any
good, though you have more
influence with Aunt Sarah
than any one else unless you
can persuade her to put her-
self absolutely into Parker's
hands with full power to ar-
range all her affairs.