Hill Oct 11, 1859.

My dear brother

The time draws near when I am to start for West Point. I propose to leave Hill Wed. morning but as Mrs. Hazard wanted mother to invite me to stop a day or two with her I think I will not go on to N. Y. till Thurs. afternoon — taking the boat as I before anticipated at Fall River — if it is pleasant on Thursday — If not, pleasant, I intend to reach West Point the same night by the cars. Your letter will be of great assistance to me. — I do not hear from Mother nor from Rutland. I think it very strange I have not heard from Rutland for so long a time — For something is the matter. Nettie gives me frequent news from Delia & he wrote not long ago — Her

school continues 6 weeks longer then she has a vacation of a fortnight. She has contemplated spending this with mother. Dellie writes that he does not stand quite so well relatively as he did when the "fishing" was going on. From this I should conclude that the best scholars in his class were troubled with being "fished" for secret societies.

It is a very cold morning here. The ground at 7 o'clock is covered with white frost. This night must cut a pretty tree growing in the vegetable world.

I am going to write to renew my subscription. I have the Independent go to West Point — but no, I guess I'll wait till I see what papers you have to read as the subscription is not out till the 15th I believe.

Expect me there this week on Thursday — probably Friday — I can write about the same as 2 weeks ago — not much sensible difference — I have some enjoyment of Christ's presence & rest. Desire much more faith & consecration. One young man here is still seeking the Lord. It has been about a week since he began — He lacks faith. Pray for me as ever. I want the Lord to put words in my mouth & thoughts in my heart to converse with this young man & others.

With much affection for you & for each member of your precious family I remain

Your Brother

O. H. Howard

P. S. Tell Guy that Uncle Charley couldn't come before but hopes to see Guy & his dear little sister next Friday. O. H. H.

Buttermilk Falls Oct 11th 1859

Lieu, Howard.

Dr Bro.

I have to attend a meeting of our Synod — next week in Stamford Conn, It holds over the Sabbath —

Will you oblige me & gratify my people by preaching to them a week from next Sab Morning & Evening? Please reply by return of mail — so I can announce it on the Sabbath.

Mrs Gray & Jennie have not returned from Poughkeepsie,

My Regards to Mrs Howard.

Fraternally Yours.

John Gray —

Lieu, Howard
West Point.

Rev Gray — B Fields

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Newport Ky.
Oct. 11 1897

Dear Howard

Enclosed please find a check for four hundred ($400) - dollars - the amount of your note - Mrs Parker would have sent the money sooner had she known where & the exact address. We think you are entitled to interest - & if you will send a balance sheet it shall be honored.

(Please enclose the Note on receipt.)

Yours truly.
L Thompson

All send love to Mrs H. & babies
Mrs T & Fannie well -

Thompson Sr

Brooklyn - Oct 18th 1859
113 Clinton St -

My dear Mrs Howard -

I ought to have answered your kind note yesterday but did not - I am very much obliged to you for your invitation to West Point, extended to Cousin Lydia and myself - We are much disappointed that we cannot accept it at present - My cousin has a very severe cold, and Cordelia has a little son born last Friday night - Lydia Tupper will stay with her for a week, and I must not leave home while she is away - Cordelia is very well, and has a fine child which they have named Charles Homes Lloyd Charles for the English grandpapa and

Homes for our father—

We have had our hall painted and parlors painted and papered They look very clean, and are much improved, I think you will say—

I was very sorry to find another bundle, besides Mr Howard's coat after you left— Shall I send them by express, or in what way? William thinks he would enjoy spending a day with you very much— He is not busy now, and could go one day, and return the next, very well, but he seems to feel a little diffident about intruding. He says Mrs Howard did not invite him— Lydia Crabtree will not leave for Florida, till the midde of november, and perhaps we may be able to visit you before that time— We wish very much to do so but I fear we may not—

I hope you are very quietly and comfortably settled by this time in your new quarters— I fear you must have been much fatigued after the excitement and trouble of moving—

I hope you are all well— Remember that our house is open and a welcome ready for any of your family, at all times—

We all wish to be remembered to "Mr Howard & family"— Cousin Lydia thanks you particularly for your kind invitation to her—

I have written you quite a letter— so will immedeately conclude by assuring you, that I am

very sincerely yours

Maria Tupper

Rev Goodwin

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Richmond, Va. Octo. 22d '59

My Dear Sir,

Your Letter, enclosing $3. — $2.50 the contribution of Mrs Grotto — and the balance added by yourself. — I would thank you to present to Mrs G. my warmest thanks — and accept the renewal of the same for yourself.

Enclosed, please find my new Circular — printed here with a view to obtain the signatures of our Bishops & Delegation here assembled — and to be used in families and Sunday Schools. — Of signatures, I have obtained many — with some contributions: — and hope to realize something in the shape of family contributions. — In proposing the gift of a dime it puts it in the power of children in families & S. S. Classes to become patrons

of our work:- friends to our children:- and recipients of the blessings promised to those who water others - with "a cup of cold water only".-

Should you meet with any youthful contributors please send me their names on the Circular.-

When you have leisure please give me some of the details of your good work amongst the Cadets.- Facts are the food that the Missionary spirit feeds upon.- Did time now permit me, I would tell you something of the Convention - especially of our early meetings for prayer &c.- We have had two Irish Missionaries who have entertained and strengthened us with reports from the mountains & caves of Ireland.

The Convention will probably adjourn tonight - and tomorrow - one or two Missionary Bishops are to be consecrated. Rev Dr Lay of Alabama as Miss. Bp. of the So. West. and Rev Dr. Talbot of Indiana is elected for the N. West. not yet accepted. I send herewith - a report of the proceedings - which I witnessed at the Alex.a Seminary.-

It will afford me pleasure to hear from you - "Care of Rev F. D. Harriman. No 762. Broadway N.Y." - I hope to leave that City for home near Nov. 1st -

With many thanks for Mrs Grebe - and kind regards to Mr Howard.

I remain.
Truly Yours.
Chas. C. Townsend
Missionary.

152 Maiden Lane
New York, Oct. 25th 1859.

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Lieut. O. O. Howard,
West Point. Dear Sir,

I owe you an apology for not having before this thanked you for your kind invitation to West Point.

I have delayed writing in the hope that I might be able to accept, but find it inconvenient at this time.

Enclosed you will find a receipt for your bundle which presuming to be of value I forward to you. Present my respects to Mrs Howard & believe me,

Yours very truly

Wm. J. Pepper

New York
Oct 28/59

My Dear Howard.

About the sewing machines. They are to be had (Wheeler & Wilson) from 50 to 70 dollars, according to finish of machinery, - and if Mr Howard desires me to see about the purchase of one I will with great pleasure do so, and as I am personally known to the Manager I might aid in getting her one at the lowest figure.

We shall be happy to visit you at some convenient time. and hope you will bring Mr Howard to our small retreat at Tarrytown. It

will give Mr Bacon & myself great pleasure to welcome you both. Give our united kind regards to Mrs Bonard & believe me to be

Truly Yrs
John R. Bacon

Have heard nothing yet from Rowley. Can not determine what to advise regarding the investment.

Frank Sumner.

New York Oct 31. 1839

Dear Chas

We left Leeds a week ago last Friday, and arrived here last Tuesday morning. have been talking ever since about going up to West Point, but it has thus far been all talk, and I very much fear it will be, for our time is running down so now, and we have so much to do that we cannot see how to get away, and yet I dont feel like leaving without seeing you, and if Sarah cannot go with me I must try and steal away for a day. Mr Bacon wants us to go to Saratoga & we would like to go there & to Philadelphia but I do not think now we shall go to either place, it is getting too cold to travel about with the Children. Do you think of coming down soon? & is Charles? how is his health now? I was in hopes to have heard from both Daniel at Niagara before this respecting Charles prospect there, but he had not rec'd my letter the middle of September

We think of taking passage on the "Kamak", about the 11th for Oregon and as the weather is getting so very cold, begin to feel a desire to get off — we stopping at Mrs Lymans in Brooklyn corner Bainbridge & Clinton, but shall go out to Capt Luckens on Thursday next, where we shall remain until we leave.
Sarah joins in love to you all

Your afft Cousin
H. L. Sargent