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On 16 - M. I. - 1872



Lincoln University
Chester Co., Pa.

April 2 1872.

Gen. C. C. Howard
Dear Sir,

At the request
in writing of three members
of the Board of Trustees of
Lincoln University I
hereby call a meeting of
the Board on ~~Wednesday~~ ^{Wednesday} the
17th inst. at 10½ o'clock
A.M. in the Presbyterian
House, No. 1334 Chestnut
Stet. Philadelphia for the
purpose of attending to
the matter of the agency
of the Rev. Wm. R. Work;



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and of the may be clear to
elect a Professor in
Lincoln University

Yours truly

John M. Dickey

the first of
July 1861. The
weather was
fine and the
people were
out in great
numbers. The
streets were
filled with
people and
the air was
full of
noise and
activity. The
people were
wearing
various
types of
clothing,
including
overcoats
and hats.
The day
was a
memorable
one for
the city.

Is Dizzie happy now? Is she well - does her care & responsibility weigh heavily? Are the children, the bright, beautiful springing Bessie and the plump hair Ruby, healthy & happy - and the rest - are they well? Is Grace still patient & cheerful and helpful? How is it darling! You don't know how much good a line from you would do me = Mrs Blaine's remark "the time when we loved each other" before we ceased to care for each other, I hate. Do not let such a thought creep into the shadow of your dreams = it cannot come, the time, I can never die for it emanates from God = ~~He never~~ rivals, He imparts & increases as he purifies & blesses human love = If I can have just a line at Yuma it will do me good = My only letter was a glove at San Francisco. The glove I carry in my breast pocket - it will probably not be worn till we come again to civilization: Give Papa sweet love to them all: Tell them at evening when the heart is impulsive that Papa loves them. Think of them & pray for them = And my precious wife there is nothing I would not attempt to make you contented & happy, to fill up the want of your heart.. May God bless you & keep you in health & in joy till I come - sooonly - Otis

Mr. Colorado

16 miles from Ft. Yuma
Colorado River (Apr. 3rd 1842)

We are hoping to get near Fort Yuma
tonight - I sent my last letter from the mouth
of the river, just after our arrival = We came
aboard this steamer last night (Sunday) and
during everything is mudous steamed up & off at
6 AM. Monday - now it is Wednesday - This is
a queer river, its banks of sand & sometimes a
little clay keep breaking & changing & the bottom
is always uncertain - sometimes on flat-bottomed
steamer is aground & sometimes the barge
that we are dragging after us loaded with
logs & posts, stones of all kinds = It takes hours
often & all sorts of maneuvering to get off -
yesterday all day we made scarcely forty
miles. Today with much impatience & much
swearing by Captain Moore we have made
more distance. Just now we have stopped at
a wood yard: The Indians get out ^{the wood} & pile up all the
wood (cording it) There was a camp of a few
families: The women & children as well as
the men came to see the boat (the landing of the

four in the meeting even here) these are the Yuma Indians - They speak the same language & substance as the Coopahs that we have been constantly meeting all along the river - ~~With~~ for water most for eat: I got from a Coopah (or west Bill) word enough to put the Gods prayer into his language & from another (Span & Coopah) the numbers up to twenty. I will send Jamie a copy as soon as I can transcribe them. The women have ~~keep~~ back mostly, but this year a woman are many & bold = Their faces are tattooed and they do not appear as graceful as the men: They have a curious dress  made of strips of bark perhaps of Willow fastened around the waist and dropping below the knee - it is very thick and appears to be heavy = Some have a piece of cotton for a shawl = from nothing about the shoulder - The men have something on their shoulders blown or jacket generally - and their waist belt & aprons on before & behind & no pants = sometimes only the belt & apron. Their hair is thick long behind, cut just over the eyes & often held up by a band around the head - no mats or bonnets needed. We have seen three chiefs: "Colorado" - "Francisco" & "Antoine" - We begin to see trees - all the way down the coast & up the gulps

There was scarcely a tree or green thing = volcanic formation of hills, mountain, valleys, gulches, all rock rock, that looked in the sunlight dry & hot = We have had a long trip, but every day something new = our party have told all their jokes & stories & sung their songs, and are about ready to reach their destination. We have had good fare, plenty of onions - on beef - on pork, a hash in fish balls & by itself = How you wish you were here! - I have been well & hearty ever since we left San Francisco. Now I have written all I can with regard to myself while my heart has been asking about you, darling. I have been, in this long quiet, reviewing my life and wondering at the rights that have troubled me, where the heart has a trouble that it does not tell to its best friend = Think it was that horrible book when Becky Sharp is allowed to steal away the husband's love & the poor fool to say "he loved his wife, of course he did"? Or is it some jealousy of the imagination that conjures up things & imputes them? or is it a ^{supposed} discovery of a lack of sympathy & appreciation when it ought to abound? I have been now four weeks from home, my beauty known and by night & day my heart & my mind talk to you - I wonder & wonder & think, but no answer comes

us. & do work, & work with Gen. Storer.
They & Miss Crane were much pleased,
as matrons, in leaving Mrs. Conner from
that department, not retaining her as
teacher. Miss Maynes is also to take
charge of the Envoy Department, having
satisfied myself of the difficulty of securing
a Chem. Prof. of correspondence, I laid
the matter before the Ex. Com., & they ap-
pointed a recommendation Prof. Eddon,
who was elected by the trustees at the
next meeting, by a vote of 6 to 1. The
Ex. Com. are satisfied that the sav-
ing balances which Prof. Li. brought from
\$250. are absolutely needless for the
purpose; & that they never cost more
than \$25. This is the opinion of experts
such as Mr. Gilgard & Dr. Craik.

The miss you very much, we pray
for your success, & health when. Remem-

ber to be Capt. & all
the same we lost you
that better form
the certain
country. Tell
them date
the play
is Oct.
Class. L. C. & H. 5A 3/2
My dear Gen. Howard:

I take my pen from
a partly completed sermon when
an aching tooth, that makes it hard
communicate - to write you a bit of
a letter. I was unwell, for sever-
al days before you left, or seldom
have seen you, & hidden you good-
bye. But we prayed for you, & wish
you well in the Thursday night meet-
ing, which was better than any form
of leave-taking. And we kept it up,
while you are gone. I preached the
Prof. Lecture at the University last

evening & here we remembered you, quickened, & I had a long talk
with him in my study.
The Captain also. Your dear ones
here are all well.

Many changes are taking place.
Capt. Sladen has lost his wife. I have
seen him, had a long talk with him
about her, on all points. I hope you
will write him. He told me, he feared
he had never been a Christian.

Camer is indulging hope that
he is a Christian & so is Clark Faller.
John, & some others are thoughtful. Tom-
asard Eddings, it is to be feared, may
never recover. Dr. Patterson has had
a very narrow escape, by railroad ac-
cident near Pittsburg. He has now
gone on to Cleveland. Was on his
way to his mother in Minnesota.
Before he left home, indeed, during
our meetings of prayer, he was much

Edward Knight & family - he is
a patent agent, brother of Elder
Knight - have come to our church. We
have had but one pleasant talk
in March. It is still cold. Bro. Geo.
Elkinton, much to the regret of Mr.
P. has become a Unitarian. It has
a very harsh sting and hem finally.
He admitted that we had the spir-
ituality, which Unitarians lacked.
But, he admitted Christ's divinity, & e-
ternal punishment, &c.

We have regular meetings of
the Ex. Committee. At our last meeting
we assigned Bro. Barber to criminal
Dept &c, Prof. Westcott, who has come
over, preferring to be Prof. Mathematics.
We have thought best, too, to appoint
a Miss Stayner, who came here, & con-

San Francisco Apr 6th 1877

My dear Cousin

I have written pretty fully by mail, via San Diego & Port Yuma, but as Mr Jacobs, the newly appointed Indian Agt for Camp Grant, is here on his way to that place, will send a few lines by him - Your very kind letter of the 26th came by the 8th Constable & reached me yesterday - we were all delighted that you were having so pleasant a time - Think you were fortunate in having some pleasant ladies with you, and they fortunate in having you along -

The clothes were at the postoffice all right - we now at my house. It was too bad they were left - unless it is as warm ^{then} a poor

Sister's descent, I don't know how
you will get along without them -

The invitation of the 2^d Congl
Church was not such as I expected,
but may ultimately result in his
coming - Rowland - Have written
him & that -

We have had the earthquake -
very slight here, but severe in other
portions of the state - In Pago County
the town of Lone Pine was destroyed -
lives lost - You will see full
accounts in the papers -

Genl Schofield's order, issued
by direction of Genl Burnside, about
avoiding a conflict in Arizona,
has been published here -

I hope to see some account of
your arrival in a few days -
all send in much love to you -

Yrs affecly
A.M.

Apr 19th. Mr Jacobs did not call as
Mr Dent expected - I did hope to
send your clothes by him -

No letter from the East - There is
a snow blockade on the RR again &
we have had no mail for two
days -

Mrs Martin has been quite ill
since you left, but says it was
not on account of your being
here, but now by your absence -
indeed she will have it that
we all lost our appetites, & now
only begin to feel like ourselves
again - we are now all very
well - All wd love -

Yrs affecly
A.M.

We have had the earthquake
that you were wishing for -
It was very slight here, but in
Pujo County, South eastern part
of the State, it was, by seven -
500 shocks in 30 hours - a little
mining town, Lone Pine was
destroyed - 27 persons killed -
nearly every house destroyed -
will try to enclose you an account
for the paper -

Remember me to Capt Wilkinson
& our friends - All your in much
love to you & send wishes for
pleasant & successful trip -

Yours very affecly
A.M.

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San Francisco Apr 6th
[1872]

My dear Cousin

Your nice & very welcome
letter, written on board the Newbern,
was recd yesterday - The telegraph
from Panama but it from Cape
St Lucas - We were all very glad
to hear that you were getting along
so well, and had so many
pleasant passengers - I hope long
ere this you have arrived at
Port Guaya, & have met Genl
Crook - I think it was remarkably
foolish for yourself & Mr Crook
that you went together - I know
she will like you & am very
glad to know she made so friendly
an impression on you - I always
hate traveling without ladies for company,
very stupid -

In an hour after I recd your letter
your clothes were at my house,
just as they came from the Wash -
I wish I could get them to you
as easily - If I was certain of your
being at Camp Grant, I would send
them by Mr Jacobs, who goes there
as agent - shall send a note by
him any way -

I hope to hear from your wife next
week -

The people of the 2^d Congl Church
gave me to understand that they
had decided to write Rowland - I
took it for granted that it was a
call - so I wrote him, urging
him to come - two days after my
letter left they sent me a copy of theirs.
They merely ask him to come for a
few months, with a view of being
permanently - I felt really disappointed
& my wife & Dora much more so -

They had set their heart upon his
coming - since that they have
explained the matter to me, which
makes it look a little better - They
want to be free from some import
they have already made, Turnbow,
and they want to see some
one that has heard him preach -
do you know of any one near
here that has? There is a lady at
Stockton that used to live at Parry's
belong'd to his church - I know of
no one else - Have written Charles -
have no news for any of the
family east -

The First Church admitted the
Chinamen by a very decisive vote -
about 3/4 I believe -

The Arizona Correspondent of
the "Alta" are having a meeting away
at you, but believe you will see
Indian Mather, something a, they do -

First Week April 18th
(Sunday)

Dear

The mail leaves in
the morning at 4 A.M. so that
I have scarcely any time
to write. The mail is already
closed, but a gentleman is
going to San Diego by the
steam stage & will take this.
I abandoned the steamer
yesterday & came here (about
8 miles journey) by land.
See H.C. Lee - who was one
of my questioners during
the war with his wife &
still receives us most
hospitably: I have been
gathering all needed information
about the Yankees and will

I am glad to see you
again tomorrow & we
will have a good time.
I will be there at 10 AM
to have breakfast with
you & we will go to the
Cathedral to see the
new organ. We will
then go to the
Metropolitan Museum
and then to Central Park
for a walk.

meet them in council
tomorrow. Capt Wilkinson
& Brodsworth are well.
The terrible news of the death
of Stader's little one has just
reached us. I get just a word
from Mr. Whittlesey that
your family & mine is well.
It's hope that you or Grace
would have written just a
few words & started the letter.
I fear you don't think I
care enough about home
to long for a letter. It is
now more than a month
& not a word.. Grace
must write papa. I see
Silly See loves her papa
better than anybody else & you
do this when you possibly
can. It is not enough only
that that I want to hear.

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New York April 9th 1872.

General O. O. Howard.

My Dear Sir.

Being employed in this City during the day at a very moderate salary and having an invalid sister dependent upon me for support, I appeal to you to use your influence in connection with the trains situation, which is trifling being one which not every one would accept, because of its arduous duties. I propose (if I can influence an appointment) to accept of any situation in the New York P.O. as night clerk, which together with my business during the day, would afford me ample means of sustentation of myself and sister. If you can bring any influence to bear upon the matter you will greatly oblige one who is a supporter

of the present administration, and
also one who is ready, and I trust
worthy of your kindness and effort.
If you can in no political influential
way assist me, you may be able
to advise me concerning the necessary
action to take, for which I shall
be much obliged. When I first
saw you, was upon the occasion
of your lecturing before the Sunday-
School Connected with Revere Dr
Crosby's Church of which I was
at that time a member, and
knowing your disposition to aid
those who are worthy, is the
reason of my making the effort
in this direction. Trusting if you
are not able to render any
direct influence, that you will
confer with me upon the subject.
(P.S.) Feb 5th A.M. Dear Sir

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Dr J. Hawley
313 Washington St New York

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1543 Ridge av
Phil. Ap. 8. 1872

Gen O.O. Howard

My dear Sir

The Hon T. Wood of New York city
last week very kindly furnished me
with his autograph - also a publ
doc of about three [3] inches in
thickness - termed (I believe) - the
Howard Investigation. — but am =
agree my surprise on entering
our garden water = closet this day
to find the said voluminous /
pub doc hanging on a silver =
headed nail, and with several leaves
torn therefrom. I think this the proper

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place for the ugly thing - & there it
shall remain to receive proper use -
I have heard of Hon T. Wood before - &
have this day thanked him for his
kindness, notifying him of the facts
herein already stated. - I am en-
deavoring to obtain a valuable collection of
autographs with brief sentiments - have two
rivals who are at present far ahead of me -
& I would humbly respectfully ask for those of
Mr Lincoln, Johnson, Stanton, Union & rebel
generals - your own autograph with a brief sen-
timent - and such other autographs as you
think will form the said valuable collection -
I am of the opinion that the safety & interest of
this great country require, & the people will demand
the continuance of the present National administration,
yet, I fear, that nothing true or false is spared to pre-
vent its continuance. Hoping to hear from you at
your leisure; I remain (in great haste)
Faithfully yours

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Anno by Capt. Wilkinson
July 11th 1872

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my imagination - for the above is the
most heretical ~~and~~ ^{and} true ~~and~~ ^{and} true ~~and~~
and safe theory ~~and~~ ^{and} true ~~and~~ ^{and} true ~~and~~
and safe. But all I can do is this
little book which may stand you & friends

I hope we may all have a good
winter & good health & the under
descried situation here is the best
that I can give you - up to the best

A yesterday I visited Pease's at his house
where he succeeded in getting half a dozen
of the birds off the hill - good birds -
including one which I had never seen before.
You should have time now to appreciate
what a great variety there is in
the whole scene. He crowded them all
into a cage & his wife, a good woman,
and his three sons & his friend Mr. Blackwell
watched the various species - the most
curious were for last - the sparrow hawk

which flew from the tree top - the
quail - the green parrot - the cockatoo - the
and several bee hives upon the ground -
one of which she was about to start
when I interfered - the sparrow hawk
was flying over the hill - the birds
were much frightened & took refuge in the
red or light clothing above with the
guitar & a man but no pants - he was
described to me - inspiring respect -

He says he has faithfully kept the
trust he made with Maj. Leichtleman for
nearly five years but thinks we have
often failed on our part. After this
talk we returned to the fort. Here Mr.
Cook & our party are staying till the
boat gets ready to take us up river to
Cheyenne, when Mr. Cook promises
to meet me. I addressed the citizens
last night - Mr. L. P. needed me
all the time & I differed with him
to talk to people who do not agree
with you. They are all to some extent
Indians, barbarous & unprincipled,
but they are bound to reach.

We got two - pretty well & I will
make a copy of the speech later on.
The climate is extremely dry now
hot & dry day & no rain for
many years. Sand & hills
dry, hot rocky mountains along
the river bottom green forest trees
elsewhere - a town called Cheyenne
in the sand fields & prairies about
desert, dried up & empty for some
time - no birds, flowers & the ground
all dry & yellowish. The Colorado is
over all - sand & mud except a strip
near water - grass & bushes

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I have just got word
that Rev. George will
speak in W. H. Drive
on S. D. May 1st at 10 A.M.
Q. V. will not be able
to speak & I am told
will be replaced by Rev. Dr. Otis
Rev. Dr. Otis

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I am sorry to tell you
very hurriedly that from
the time I wrote to you
to the time of our
prolonged break
very busy. Left to come
to New Haven
Otis

The Tordis prayer in
Gososphate, tribe of Indians
on the Colorado, California

Winneāchote māmohāpā =

Omukte apowhianom : Pānsāch
ninguamass kāyek = osākphā

Nitcheet niowāt à huijiloup, prani
à maum-hap : Moyech ingay māhpile.
Duchquinet missāpum prāni niāp
Duchquinet no-wāh-nikparmat.

Do pishācāpet à sopāyāmet -

Piāpsopis molatch : Nicē niah -
ma-pet ninguamass. poti, anku -
ma-lul Nīmāwass = Moh!

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Mile river pronounced Heelā

Apr. 10 1872

With J. D. L. -

in river/ brook est
water plants, also grass
several observed with no

• ~~abundant~~ ~~water~~ ~~grass~~
~~abundant~~ ~~water~~ ~~grass~~
deep water up to
surf, followed 3 times back
up hill side - first was a
thin layer of mud and then a
layer of the sand and then a
thin layer of topsoil of soil
then a thin layer of sand and then
thin layer of topsoil of soil
then a thin layer of sand and then

1st soil - clay soil but not

Office Superintendent Public Schools,

HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.



Burlington, Iowa, 11 April 1872

Genl. O. O. Howard
Howard University

Sir: At the suggestion
of Dr. Edwin Leigh I send
you a copy of my recent report
of schools of this city. We have
tested his system of "phonetics"
and find it eminently satis-
factory for the purposes of
elementary instruction in
reading. Very respectfully W. W. Howard

Office of the Superintendent of Public Schools



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happened to get the letter. It is a better letter than Doon's. Ferg Offic
is to obtain a copy here so you may see it if the other should not reach Mrs Chapman or Doon. I hope you will see that one on your return through San Francisco. I want to write to Mrs. ~~and~~
she was so thoughtful of me - telling me of you visit there. Beacie has broken and gone to sleep again, so I have nothing to wait for more, and will try to finish and mail this to-morrow. Lucy and Gran may add some. Janie has made some very pretty frames out of his modeling. Johnnie don't want to go to school, the least bit and I do pity him and let him stay home. He was ready to start this morning at all at once said, "Miss Maria don't make me stand up in front of her because I have been absent, and she is so cross." Chaney was late today and sent to home. He tells me that she says, that she is keeping account of how many times they are late, or do anything and show it to the

Washington D.C. April 11th 1882

Dearest, I presume that if you were here and see me take my writing you would say rather hot then away and prepare the rest, but when shall I write if not when the day is past and I can without so many interruptions. I have just now returned from the prayer meeting where Gen. Whittsey told me that he received a "dispatch" from you to-day. Grace tells me that Mr. Wilkinson received a letter yesterday, I think you must have passed a steamer, and the last sent back a letter by it. I don't see how it could reach him so soon otherwise. We are all very well. Lucy and Selma reached home last Wednesday morning. They come with their class flowers and look like two fools, only Lucy more so. She has worn it over to the Office once and down town once and I think that is enough and shall wait

before their putting them away till their return to New Haven. The weather here now is delightful and our grass is as green and pretty as it will be anytime this summer. flower beds prepared for seed. I must have the cow put in the Park as last year as I see others there. I went to the White House Tuesday - Mr. Gutz (Shook to her about Pay. Croker boy, and am to take it then for him), passed as very pleasant afternoon and saw many friends. Have paid your bill at "Wall & Co." now I want to tell you what I am going to do when you get back. I am going to have a Guardian appointed for you. I don't think you are capable of taking care of us and yourself. Five hundred dollars, (two hundred, then two hundred, then one hundred) and I expect to have to pay one hundred and fifty dollars more), all this when you have endorsed notes. and now I think it is just about time to stop this

way of spending money. I have to write the checks and know where the money goes. Mr. Nelson can't be found. I am going tomorrow to see if it is he who lives on Great St. You better tell the Capt. of this, so he can have an eye to our welfare while you are away. It is fortunate I don't want money only for the house, till the last of the month when Eng returns and to pay the bill of the month. The boy accounts will come in just right after. Eighteen dollars more came ^{late} from the N.E. Church at Chicago, and has been sent there. Affairs came for the Chinese boy's letter, and said he thought he would write to Tong Den. and he has written an excellent Ecclesiastian letter I am to send to John Kiball hoping he may know of Mr. Chapman or Tong Den. I know of no other Sunday school man there who would be most likely to know how you ^{a new election}

War Department,

Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands,

Washington, April 12th 1872

General:

Yesterday Mr. Welch and Mr. Devine came to the office for your signature to a paper intended to give a New York firm authority to negotiate the sale of the West Virginia land. On informing them that you would not return, perhaps, until the middle of June, they expressed the fear that delay until that time would defeat the anticipated early sale, and payment of the money due on the Bell note. To make good my promise I enclose blank power of attorney with the hope that you may find it convenient to execute it. I shall take care to do nothing that will relieve the land of the debt without controlling a sufficient sum for its payment.

Very respectfully

M. H. Cook

General Q. O. Howard,
most deeply and sincerely expresses his
indignation at the manner in which the work was done.
He has never before seen such complete
laziness & neglect. He immediately called yesterday
for a full investigation & found much (over)

P.S. Your cow, Guy, has returned, and is looking well. I can also testify to the health and good looks of your little John, who visits me frequently for rubbers.

Changes in the University and Bureau have been numerous. Much friction. Many anxious hearts awaiting the return of General Howard to settle their cases.

J.W.C.

Washington, D.C. April 12'72

Dear Father

Silence & myself are both here at home enjoying our vacation, & were very glad to find all quite well. Mother has just written a letter with which I am going to send this, so I suppose she has told you all that has happened here since you left, & I know very little about anything in Washington now. Mr. Wescott is here but his family is not coming till next Fall; he has taken rooms on T Street. My friend Mrs. Stowe & mother & Grace said that you liked as much of it as you

read & recommended it to
me. Remember me to Capt.
Wilkinson; I was surprised when
I got home not to find him
here as I did not know for
sure whether he was with you
or not. Capt. Sladen is getting
along very well I think
with the cadets, as some of
them wanted him to
lead them in the procession
at the Anniversary of
Emancipation in his District,
but I think he does not intend
to march at their head.

Mother went to see the Aest. Y.M. Gash
with Capt. Sladen to try &
get Mr. Page a place this morning,
a somewhat new business for her.
Genl Whittlesey has retained only
five, or thereabouts men in the
Bureau, & a few Univ. Students.
Truly yours Lucy Howard.