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New York

New York April 16 1867

My dear Mother

Accidentally late for the Washington train I have some time in which to write you. Mr. Alvord was compelled to stay over & had persuaded me but I thought I would return today. However a load of Cotton got upon the tracks and detained our horse cars, so that I was about 2 minutes too late.

It is raining. I just dropped into Mr. Kimball's store - having a note of introduction from his brother in Washington whom you know. A wholesale dealer in potatoes, fruits &c.

Yesterday I got your letter at Mr. Ketchum's office - another note from Rowland & a good letter from Kitty who never fails to write and always cheers me thereby.

I visited the NewsBoys House in Brooklyn over which my friend Wm H. Lawrence is the Superintendent. He was with us in the Georgia Campaign as an Agent of the Christian Com'n.

Last night was the <Emancipation> Celebration which was a cordial reunion with addresses, a splendid supper, table superb with flowers and ornamental cakes, ice cream &c &c. Then some dancing. Quite a number of middle aged and other old people like myself who did not dance so I had company all the time & as I was the only brass-buttoned specimen there some of the handsome young ladies condescended to talk with me when not dancing. They were soon to make themselves agreeable as you know it is not difficult for that description of young ladies to do to a young old bachelor like me. I made a brief speech (so called). If the Brooklyn papers have a report I will send. You may see the N.Y. Herald which has some acct. of the Celebration.

I saw Dr. Starrs & Ray Palmer yesterday & many others intrusted in the new newspaper. It is quite possible I may become connected with it as a correspondent at least during the coming year.

I will have time to get the presents today. How are Cousin Olive & all. Was very glad & grateful to her for meeting you. It was very kind of her & Lester. Tell Lester I am not going to allow him to grow out of my knowledge. Give him, also, to Cousin Olly & wife whom (the latter) I hope to know better before long.

Write me often. How long will you be at Cambridge?

Your Affectionate Son C. H. Howard

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Bangor

Bangor, July 4, 1867

Dear Mother

I was very glad to get your letter last night.

So it seems Orrin has accepted the terms of sale & taken the farm. I agreed to pay the tax on personal property, in my talk with him and I would like for you to see the Treasurer soon and ascertain exactly how much that is. There is the tax on the horse, oxen & cows. Perhaps nothing else. It is well, also, to inform the Treas. that Orrin is to pay the remainder.

I got a letter from Rowland and Ella this morning. I start for W. tomorrow as Com.

What I said about paying the taxes out of my own pocket was not from any feeling of repugnance to the trouble to myself. It is the last thing that would occur to my mind. But I thought the sale would be much better for you and that I could thus perhaps do more for your happiness than in any other way.

I rec'd your letter to Kitty last night and she thanked me - saying she was very happy to know of your kind & tender message before she slept.

She is here at home a constant sunbeam. I never have enjoyed her society so much before - never having been so constantly with her & seen her under all circumstances.

It rains now. We have a horse & chaise at the door & are going with a party of their Church ("Central") to a Picnic at Pushaw Lake. It may clear away at noon.

Letter from Maj. Clark from Washington this morning. All well but very hot weather. I shall expect to come on for two or more weeks in Sept. or October next & aid you in settling up all matters.

Very Affectionately Your Son C. H. Howard

P.S. Please tell Wash that he will look to Orrin Bates for his pay after July 1st if he remains, except for such chores as you may wish him to do at about 5 or 10 dollars per month if you please. C.H.H.

Write me soon at Wash'n. Please. C. H. Howard

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Washington, Oct 14 1867 gain.

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Bureau Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands Headquarters Ass't Commissioner, District Columbia Washington,

Oct 14, 1867 9 a.m.

Dear Mother

Have you been neglected in letters of late? The reason is I have been hard at work on my report, writing almost every night the past week till 11 or 12 & once till 2 a.m. Not all writing but hunting up the statistics, material, &c. &c.

Otis left this morning for Western N.Y. to be gone a week. Lt. Sladen with him. Mr. Johnson of Baltimore preached for us yesterday & stopped at our house. A letter from Kitty says she was to go to Boston Saturday last & return the latter part of this week. I wanted to meet her in Boston but cannot now go north till Otis gets back - say 24th or 25th. I may not go at all but now intend to go at least to Boston as I have business there & I shall want to come home not to say go to Bangor as Kitty thinks I must.

Wedding probably the first week in December. Shall get some clothing in Boston & think I probably had better get my shirts there & not give you & Ella any extra labor, though I do appreciate the kindness of you both in offering to make my shirts. I ought to answer Ella's good letter. I was very glad to get it.

When this report is done I promise "better fashions".

We had good sermons yesterday. Hope you enjoyed the same kind of privileges. Love to Jamie, to Ella, Dadie, & Otis & to Rowland if with you.

Col. Ketchum is to be groomsman no 1. No 2 not decided on. Nina Bridesmaid & Miss Carrie Stetson.

Your Affectionate Son C. H. Howard

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## Parker House

Boston Dec 9 1867 [Charles Howard and Katherine Foster were married Dec 7]

## Dear Mother

After a very pleasant journey with our sociable company we arrived safely Frid' night. Found we had reserved for us the <best> rooms in the house. Took a warm supper about 9 o'clock & bid good by to Otis & family & Col. Ketchum about 11 P.M. as they were to start at 7½ from the Hotel. Wm Merrick has remained with us & we propose to go by Bristol boat tonight. He and his wife will probably stay with us at 5th Avenue Hotel in N.Y. one or two days & then we will accompany them to their home in Philad'a. Kitty & I took tea at Mr. Emory's with Frank Gilman & his other sister Mrs. Bundy.

Saturd'y night. Had another lady friend & relation of Dr. Bundy there, a fine singer & we enjoyed her music much. We attended the Organ Concert at noon that day & met there Prof. Young (Classmate of mine) of Bowdoin, & wife who was a Bangor girl & acquaintance of Kitty's.

We heard an edifying sermon from Dr. Kirk yesterday morning. Went to dine with "Cousin Carrie Sprague" 29 Worcester St. & it had grown so cold decided not to go out to Church again. Came back here about 9 P.M. & found Mrs. Merrick in the Parlor with two gentleman callers - the Vaughan's from Cambridge.

Rowland came back this morning & has just gone out with Frank Gilman to lunch & will get Kitty some books which she wishes to present to her Sunday School scholars.

We are going to make a call on Miss Stetson, sister of the bridesmaid & that with an errand or two at the Engravers (for cards) &c. will finish our Boston business.

I hope you will write so we can have soon after or at time of reaching Washington, that you got home in safety & are well - as we are.

Kitty sends a great deal of love to you. It is almost needless to say that everything thus far has continued auspicious and altogether agreeable. We have & feel that we have very very great reason to thank a Kind Heavenly Father for His favoring providences. I desire to know how the work of Grace goes on in your neighborhood. I do pray that Roland & Cynthia [Gilmore, his stepbrother and wife] may begin to follow Christ.

Most Affectionately C. H. Howard