

O. Howard  
Jan 19th 1845-

Mrs. John Gilmore

South Lee

Me

Hallowell. Jan 19th 1845

Dear Mother

I sit down this evening to write you a few lines. Our Term of school is past. I wish you had been here at our examination. We had a very good one indeed. We were examined in our english studies and classics during the day time and in the evening each of us read a piece of composition, and all the boys declaimed. I finished my Latin Reader and began Virgil last term and got two Quincicks in it. I commenced Goodrich's Greek lessons, and went through the second declension. I liked it very much. I went most through Greenleaf's Arithmetic last term. I have considerable to say to you when you come down. Which I shall not write about. I have almost concluded to continue at school instead of going out to the farm, because I hate to leave off my Virgil and Greek just begun. It seems as though I



had just commenced my education.  
The more I study the more ~~I~~ ignorant  
I seem to <sup>my</sup> self, The more studies  
I attend to <sup>so much the more</sup> are opened unto my view,  
Algebra, Geometry and History, and many other  
elementary studies I have not commenced.  
Therefore I think it will be for my  
advantage to continue at school where  
I am another year, for <sup>the</sup> tuition will be  
only four dollars for the whole year,  
having thought it all over I have made  
up my mind that it was the best  
chance I could have for attending  
school, notwithstanding a few trou-  
bles I may have to experience, And if  
I went to school and ~~did~~ not work I  
might not have so good health as I  
do, And nothing is so desirable as health,  
but I will not say much more  
upon this to night, I expect you down  
a week from tomorrow, and I hope you  
will come for I want to see you very  
much, How do you all do, I hope  
you are all well, and I suppose you  
are, because I have heard nothing to the  
contrary, I have not written to  
Laura yet, I have attended meeting all  
day, Grandma is very well and went to

Meeting to day, All the rest of the family  
are well I believe. Although Addison has  
been unwell, Our examination was  
last Friday, and now our vacation has  
commenced and will continue a fortnight.  
When you come you must bring  
Rodolphus and Rowland or Charles, I sup-  
pose it is Rowlands turn to come, because  
he has been disappointed so much,  
but they have not either of them been  
here for some time, but you will do  
best about it, If Rowland does not  
come <sup>with you</sup>, tell him he must come as soon  
as he can, but he must write to me  
when you come, if he wants me to  
write first that he may answer  
I will for it is rather hard for one to compose  
a letter without some head or something  
to help a little, for I find it easier  
to answer a letter than to compose one  
for another to answer, I leave my writing  
to night for it is nine o'clock,  
And my best time. Give my love to  
all.

Yours with Affection,

Oliver O. Howard



Miss Goodell Belmores  
South Dedh.

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Dear Mother, March 5, 1845.

Having got a little settled, I have now yielded myself to the pleasant task that you enjoined upon me. There is not a single person that I know other wise than by name, there is but the more expense than I thought there would be, wood is not included in the commodities, then for I was obliged to purchase it & there were a great many little articles that were necessary to make my room comfortable that I did not think of before I came here, not with standing these I have a very pleasant room well furnished, including bed, table, stand, wash basin, chairs, pail & wash bowl, & a good looking glass, stove &c. The seminary is a very large building, consisting of 4 stories with about 30 rooms, including, kitchen, dining & wash room, the building stands in the Eastern extremity of the village, you can by looking to the south see the salt water about a half mile distant, & the other scenery around in every direction must be beautiful & seems to me that it must be charming in the summer season, Warren & I got here about half past two, and being shown where Mr. Wald resided, I found him at his house he greeted me very pleasantly, he is a very pleasant & agreeable man in his appearance, about middling height, a bright & expressive countenance, he showed me my room, &c



I felt a little awkward at first, but begin to be a little  
more at home. I wish you could be here and see what  
a pleasant room I have got, & what a pleasant  
place it is, they are not classified yet there fore I cannot  
tell where I shall be put, what I have heard of the students  
I like very much, Give my love to my brother there,  
The common room commenced to day noon, but there was a woman  
here who got in supper & breakfast, for I ate two meals before  
the common room commenced, they have coffee for breakfast, & cold  
water for dinner & supper, they have two girls to  
do the cooking & washings, the Seminar is a very beautiful  
brick building & the Academy, a little to the east is  
smaller & made of wood, even a short way I will  
try to write more next time

Yours affectionately

O. O. Howard

O. O. Howard  
March 1844

Received of  
O. O. Howard



North Barnmouth, Dec. March 8<sup>th</sup> 1845

Dear Mother

I again have sealed my self to call your attention to a few lines, after returning from meeting I attended the Congregationalist they had a very good sermon, this after noon (last in P. M.) The students met in the recitation room Thursday morning, and to my great surprise (having joined the first class he gave 150 lines in Virgil, & I have next to him 200. & I have not been accustomed to take more than 50, but I made out to accomplish the task. & Monday morning next I have got to get two pages in Greek & in the afternoon I shall be obliged to get 150 lines in Virgil I find Mr. Holt very strict & thorough. On Thursday John Pettungill came here & I was very glad to see him for I had not seen anyone that I knew before since I came. Mr. Hawley has not arrived yet I shall expect him to morrow. George Carr, from Whitthrop came here yesterday, I have not been acquainted with him before but have heard of him, he appears to be one of the finest young men that I ever saw. He is sick, & by his voice you might know his lungs were affected, he has been sick all winter, but is rather better now. Pettungill is going to room with me until Harrison comes. I shall have to study very hard.

Wm. E. C. of Guilford.

South Leeds Me



Wm. E. C. of Guilford  
Mar 8 1846



but I think I can't get along with it, the student were  
obliged to pay 5 or 6 dollars in advance, but I not  
being prepared was obliged to ~~pay~~ <sup>wait</sup> until I will give  
you a list of my expenses, Lamps, 45, oil, 28 lamp fillers 90  
ball of wick, 10 — 2 Brooms, one large, & the other the small brush you  
told me to buy, Polishing & Brushes, 25, Ink & pens, 30, match  
& match Box, 08, 6 feet of wood 2,35, & then my roommate will  
have to pay for half of, & a knife for 20 cts. half of which  
I might have brought from home, if I had known  
what I wanted, but I did not see there it is, Lawyer Melt  
saw is here, who used to live in, Hullowell  
I should like to have you send 5 or 6 dollars or  
I will try to get along without it but just  
as you please, give my love to my brothers how  
does Charles get along with the hoopring weight  
& P. delphus, the board will probably be about  
10 dollars a <sup>week</sup> Mr. Elliot says, we have ~~cold water~~ <sup>cold</sup> in the  
morning cold water at noon & tea at night, the  
line egg well as well as I wish to, there is not  
at present but about 20 scholars in the institution  
or rather the common

Your affectionate son

Wm. Eliza Gilmore

C. Howard

Ms. A. 1. 2. 1. 8  
C. Howard



March 22. 1855.

My dear boy,

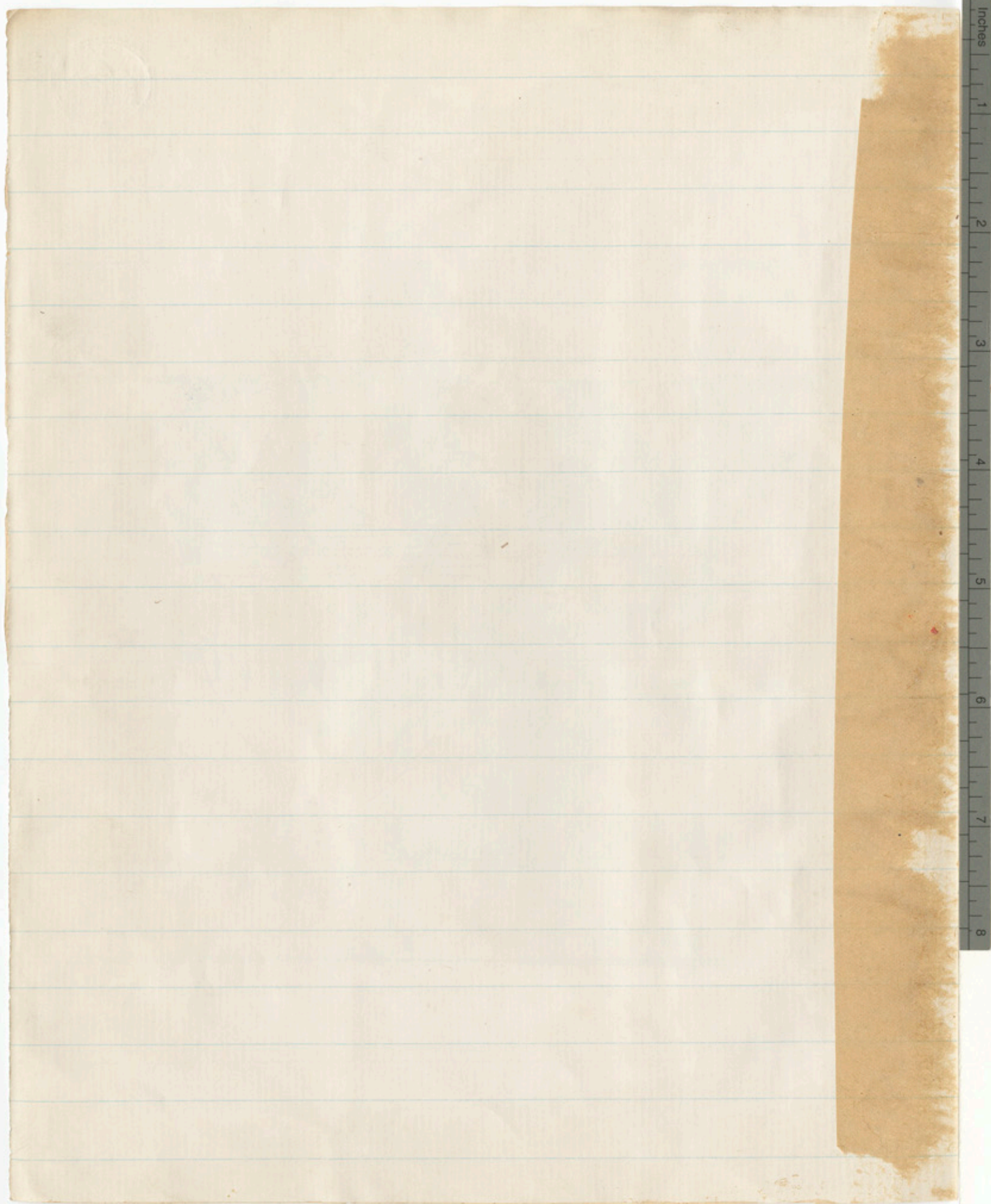
I have written to you once by mail and once by Brother you have <sup>not</sup> let me know whether you have received either of them or not. you can send Rowland's gownman by his father if you ~~have not sent it and if you do not want it, and his~~ shoes he left to his Aunt Lee's put them in the ~~stay~~ he would like to have them, write have you like your pants I am making your shirts write me whether you ~~need~~ need them at present and send me your old clothes that you cannot wear be sure and send your old shirts, do write a few lines, My love to all be a good boy I shall come down when the term is out write exactly when that will be in haste Eliza Gilmore.

P.S Your Aunt Philana will not continue but a short time.

Eliza.

J. D. Howard.







Hallwell. March 22, 1858

Dear Mother

I sent a letter to you by the mail day before yesterday, I went up to Augusta on Monday the day Col. Solthrop came down and got my pants, because father said he should have a pair ready and send them by him, but I did not receive your letter until Tuesday or Wednesday, I intended to have sent Rowland's things by Vuel Ensign but he went away before I thought he was going, My cloths set very well indeed, & I need some new shirts, Give my love to All, in haste

Yours in haste

Q. C. B.



All Howard  
Mar 22 1845

Wm. G. Gilmore  
South Sea  
Isle



Hallowell, Decr 28<sup>th</sup>. 1845.

Dear Friend Otis,

This being the only leisure day I can get, I thought I would improve it, I rec'd your paper <sup>and letter</sup> a few days ago, and was much obliged to you, but I want you to send them oftener, and to write every opportunity. I am glad you have obtained so good a boarding place, how do you like Algebra? I go to school and study Algebra, Arithmetic, Parse, P. V., but as you say, it don't seem much like Monmouth. I have not been at Monmouth since I left there, but I am a going the first chance I can get, and see the folks, I may call and see the Parson, I don't know certain. I had a paper from Frank Swift the other day, and also from S. J. K. both are well, and flourishing. Charles Thomas went up to Monmouth a week ago, I suppose there was great doings then. I have not seen him since he has got home. I want to give him a certain lecture, and to do your errand. Give my love to Harvey, Tell him I should like to see him, also to send me a paper. I am almost angry with you for not calling at the house when you went to Hallowell, you might just come up to the School-House and you would have found me, if ever I come up there I will pass by the same way that you did, do you ever see John Otis? if so give my best respects to him. You have not altered your mind about going to Monmouth in the spring have you, I don't know whether I shall go, or not. write often, and send me lots of papers.

From your most affectionate friend  
Think of me, I do of you a great deal, parrings bees P. V., C. H. Mulliken.

Waltham Mass  
Dec 29

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Mr. Otis O. Howard,

South Street,

W. C.

From C. Mulliken  
to South Street  
Dec 29 1845



