New York Oct 2 1832

Cory Ots

Received your letter a week ago and should have answered it before had I not got hurt last Sunday from which I was taken up until this morning. Now enclose you the stamps as you requested and hope will reach you safe.

Uncle John arrived here last evening with wife also, and sent I have not seen them yet but shall this coming attics. I am almost sick with a bad cold beside the lambs arm. Penny Tind is still in Boston, singing & Complaining.

This morning I received a letter from Montreal from a friend who knows me with a note enclosed of Miss Jenny Tind which I shall return as soon as it returns this I'll be in town Sure.

Frank will go down sometime this week. He is well and sends love to you. Also he got very well under your care and has every prospect of doing well and I hope he will.

I received a letter from C. Brown the other day he wishes to be remembered to you and sends his best wishes. Mother will go down East to stop the winter with Sarah they will stay at Hollowell they are both quite well or worse when I last heard which was also in the week since Miss is well and also sends her love. She writes and says she will write to you soon.

S. W.
Miss and myself are still at the Pearl at horse
but shall move as soon as we can get a good place
at a reasonable price we think of going to the United
States Hotel direct your letters to the care of Mr
David T. Lawrence in future for any more may
Please excuse haste and believe me your
Friend and offs. Cty

Sleas A. Lk
Dear Brother,

Perusing you knew as always the day to write letters, in the Student and the lettering men. So, after attending the morning service, I sent myself to answer your kind letter. Mrs. Smith received a letter from you the same day that I did. I should think that your duties are trying and perhaps quite difficult, but I don't know as they much more so than the best of six school houses as Judge Hewett and Olney are. It then seems to reflect considerably upon your being at West Pt. and think you do not enjoy yourself here. These are the words he says in a letter to me, "I think his longfellow daily routine of duties on him. Today after funeral I rode over to request and read the same letter that you and your father makes me think he is working against nature, but it is entering on a course it never can have the funeral. The speaker is that of Mrs. Margaret Hewett. I hope also that you will labor to remove such impressions as the above--and that without letting her know that I write you this, nor even if they are correct (which I do not believe) it is of no possible benefit for her to cherish such thoughts. You know how it is with her, if she thinks you are happy, the word is happy, and if you are miserable, she'll be miserable.
The wrote me (Wednesday) of the death of Mrs. Robinson, and several others -- I believe Mr. Butler Bates, and a child of Mr. Logan, and a child of Mr. Cary, and several of dear friends departed. I wish when you return in 2 years you will visit many of your old friends departed. I wish Mr. Robinson was more like your father and I am very sorry for her and Mr. Jewett also. They do not have more care, 40 for two of them is something like 20 for you both. — Mr. Jewett has two able hands, today from New London. I wish you had been here to hear them. I found some last tallow on one for us on the Polio. Mrs. Jewett got the news of Mrs. Thompson's death. The day before yesterday she was not the first of your trip that has died. Mrs. Hawkins passed through Brunswick the other day. She wished me to give you her respects. Mr. Kendall passed through here also a few days ago, and spent all night here. I heard, he was with Portland 1 week ago and found Mrs. and Mr. White well. Mr. Kendall was looking with them, which I should think would be very pleasing to them and himself. I am getting along pretty well in my studies. I have finished the 1st volume of Hebrew, and read most of the first 2 volumes. I find the Georgics rather hard to understand.
My dear Tom,

We were very happy in the reception of your letter. I think I owe some thankfulness, that your health is good and you feel capable of performing your daily duties of duty.

There is always something to be regretted in all situations in life. I am glad you still continue one of the Bible club, for I think there is no language of the Bible will calculated to keep before our eyes the certainty of life, and of your coming to your Father that gave you a name and follower of yours, and fell on assurance that your heart had been made new by the grace of God. I think I should be rejoiced, for death is every where present, and to die in the Lord is your but even in long life to be in the presence of the Lord is a great pleasure indeed. Most Lord left you yesterday for his resting, tell him when he comes to see you that another friend who was leaving his beloved home as he would where the remains of a friend had been carried a way to the grave. I called last evening to see you and that Treasure she appeared quite weak but walked about house and conversed through with breakfast. Once I believe I mentioned in my last letter she had lived at the town we lived in a town from 9 to 10. I believe full of life and hope, I hope he will not lose sight of the great object of knowledge to make us better members of society. Think of him often, O my and his last good, I have seen, warmer numerous of things, she will take a small package to you be thinking highly of you, I would write much
after I go to Philadelphia. I intend sending your more letters. stampede, I shall send you a pair of slippers to wear on quiet cold nights. you may know the Briner and Longston in society. Alice Gilmore

C. A. Howard
Col. J. W. Burrow
Post Office

W. Howard

Seaboard

Head Point N.S. Oct 10th 1850

Dear Mother,

I have been thinking that I ought to have given you a very satisfactory reply on the subject of my education here. While I was a little less prone to...
been reassured by flattering & affectionate, and now at once deprived of them. Now reflection releases; it shows any 
 overcoming & struggle full of what is worthless & 
 feeling. Here comes a little regulation & exercise had 
 been approved by the honest men of our country for 
 good reason. For the best advantage of those young 
 men, who are to be their small part in the affairs 
 of their country. My prospects begin to brighten up. Four 
 years spent in hard study can do me no injury, and on 
 the contrary, it must be greatly to my advantage. 
 I am resolved to bear up bravely & to serve 
 with her little girl. But I must be believe it for the class 
 which was taken, she is away in the minimori of Youth, & 
 the ambitions & friabilities of Society have turned her heart 
 and gained its theme age. She has escaped much &blings 
 of which all determine & affect & I think need have their share. 
 Since Helen my best author, Uncle Turel has not been a second 
 time to receive me with a letter saying that he should 
 come some in person. There have not letters from 
 behind hill. The writing being very well, I should judge 
 from the tenor of his letter, I do not get much time to 
 read them, and so much as I thought. I perfectly upon the 
 manner in which I shall write, the language I shall use 
 in demonstrations. This is necessary. It will rest on, through 
 the person I mean, right alike; he must always consider 
 what he means for any one who intends to understand 

I have not made a deep resolution yet, but I think I 
 made the best I made at all. To day 1 shall 
 shall my body, and perhaps, that those who keep up 
 with me will have to study. When we have proceeded 
 as little further, the studies will be more grounding to 
 me, while they are growing harder for them. 
 
 Friend, sent Warren LeMoor Saturday afternoon. He 
 has been here to see me a number of times. He is not 
 allowed to come into the other during study hours, 
 which last about all the time. No person is permitted 
 to enter the Barracks except during the hours of 
 recreation. He has a very good education; but I 
 think it doesn't whether he has a much greater 
 than mine. I know there are blocked for we our fine land 
 allotted, and in the main there is no essential distinction 
 between classes. The United States could not raise a system 
 better fitted for practical & physical training of young men. 
 Join in my respects to all the many engravers to me. Send 
 my love to Charles, sister, Miss Jane Johnson, I have not written 
 Charles yet but shall soon. Remember me to Helen & Skelton. 
 Has Grandmother come to Sackets yet? I was now having 
 your weather here. Some of their writing remains 
 of what I can do expect. This must be a much colder 
 place. They are in Oregon so soon as the North wind, 
 North the all from you. All Charles I shall write him 
 as soon as I can. My affectionate Son, 
 
 Charles R. Howard.
Washington is not only attractive, with its beautiful scenery, but the general atmosphere of political meteorology are of no small account towards introducing a young man to the machinery of our Government. I have the opportunity as I was born in the light of hearing and seeing many of the celebrated men of Congress. Clay, Benton, Cass, etc., etc.

Then been to Mr. Benton also, and visited the residence and the tomb of Washington, and it is a great satisfaction, although there is not much to be seen as the whole of the mansion is not open to visitors. I should like to see you here, but I suppose it is quite uncertain if I can see you here, as you are not often away from your post. Write me soon, won't you, and give me an idea of things as they exist at the Bank?

Yours respectfully,

A. W. Soule

Treasury Dept.

Washington, D.C.

Washington Oct. 14th, 1850

Friend Howard,

You know how we laid plans together a few months ago when I thought of going to Washington. If going together, and of writing each other when we thought home fairly established at our respective places of abode. I had disappointments as you well know in my expectations but now have a much better situation than that which I left here. You have probably heard of my appointment to clerk in the Comptroller's office, Treasury Department. I have often thought of you and wondered how you were progressing. You could hear nothing either directly from your own or through anyone else. Perhaps because I might have heard from your friends or Col. or others. You must write me soon you are informed of my other affairs and tell me all about your situation and what advancement you are making.

I find myself situated in an office which is by no means a lucrative. I have to keep busy all the time. Even when very busy all the work is not done. And it is somewhat tiresome, trying to get up for work which I do not like very much.
I should prefer to have my mind taken more and my eyes less. My labor is principally copying accounts — bills against the principal departments of the army, officers, pensioners, etc. These have to be recorded by double entry in books, showing at a glance how the several accounts stand. I have also the copying of all letters of the Secretary. All which business is not laborious at all but when I throw to it clearly I find it tiresome to the end. Of course, have some leisure out of office hours and if I should follow the course of events many in Washington I should find all my leisure in vain living. There it is considered a disgrace for a fellow to get up after first of the fire engines and if they have a good time with a company, nor is it at all disgraceful for them to help the company of bidders or men making money. Washington is indeed a miserable hole, when you think of it as a place to live in. Give me a peaceful country village, where the majority at least are good men, where kindness and nature are bringing together, for participation. I could not live there if I was not for the letters business a year which I get. And if I thought I could not lay off 600 or 700 a month I would not come. My board costs me 100 dollars for month. And if I become a debt or a despicaster in any way, I shall cross the day in which I first tell foot in the city. The only way for me is to get into a small circle of the first city in town. Which I shall do if possible, but it is a hard thing, for letters to do, here where they make a donation. I have been in a German establishment for the purpose of learning before the German. I am going from here off to the office and reading and writing and shooting a little everyday. I have come opportunities for hearing the German spoken. The Congregational church which I have access to is full of the German books. And I have been happy 6 or 7 and read in the library of the Smithsonian Institution. I do the necessity of a news newspaper himself perfectly furnished with business in order to stuff newspaper, and to hear some good news and some definite as well to be obtained. I mean to read them enough to make myself feel acquainted with the fundamental principles. And perhaps in a future day I may make my profession.

I suppose you are doing lots among mathematicians and are doing a fair business at that. Good stories to you. The friends! I hope you will find it a fine hour. A story going to the print instead of going immediately in the post. I have heard an odd story from one of our clerks. I shall wish to him in a short time. You doubtless hear often from them.
Providence 17. Oct. 1830

O. P. Howard Esq.

May dear Mr. Thomas,

I return home in the 10th. train in the evening I left you. My family are well with the exception of your Cousin. Harriet who is no better. His complaint as I mentioned to you is epilepsy and a complication that do not let him suffer the skill of our most eminent Physicians. Because he is entered the hospital as till he enjoys a remarkable good health, we attribute his decline to that circumstance, and I have no doubt had he been removed in active services that he would at this moment enjoyed good health. But the way of Providence is uncertain and we can not fully second patiently to submit. He suffers great anxiety to see you and I am sure you will be gratified to see any family to receive him from you.

I am sure acquainted with the orders and regulations of the Military Academy at West Point but preach from the characters of the Institution they are imposing great. And I have no desire that a relative of mine more especially one so much esteemed as yourself should in any degree partake privileges incompatible with such regulations. For I am
Portland, Oct. 22nd 1858

Dear Chum,

For thus I consider I have still the right to call you and though another may claim you for a Chum, now I shall regard myself as Chum "for excellence" and claim a place in your regard above all other Chums whoever they may be or wherever found. And though this in our four years cruise together you found me often moody, unaccommodating and disagreeable, which fault ought to be laid partly to myself and partly to the women yet often all I doubt some if you find another who in all respects will suit you much better than I did. Those old college days for though long past just as they look already distant to me, it does really seem as though we ought to have enjoyed ourselves then and so in fact we did though neither of us enjoyed ourselves so well as we might. They are over though now with all their ambitions, their rivalries, their skirmishes, their heat-burnup,
their jealousies, their loves, their friendships, their aspirations, their longings, their joys and sorrows. They are among the things that never we have left them behind us and here’s farewell to them and “now for the strife of the battle of life with a firm heart and true”

I am sorry Howard that you do not have a more agreeable time there than you seem to—it must be laborious and hard on many accounts but you know one consolation amid it all which is enough to sweeten anything almost and that is it will do you good.

I feel confident that you will take a high stand as a scholar and I saw how to work hard for it, it is no more than every one has to do to arrive at any eminence. You have had some blue times there I dare say but you must take it all despondently for your matter (in fact I believe you have been) and hope for the best. By the way I read some “sagac” and utility of Mathematics not long since and liked it very much.

Bill Boothester passed through here about a fortnight since on their way home and Butler and Smith in company with them so you see our class is getting scattered.
As well as those who have gone before them. I suppose they are out somewhere.

But I have not seen them and I was going to depend on the hospitality of their Southern friends till they could obtain situations. But I took them out one side and showed them a new miniature of his lady and said it was all right. I'll say that I guess she will find some things are getting that won't be all right after she is married.

Then was quite a contrast between the looks of Joe and Bell and Smith and Butler, the former looking joyful and the latter rather dolorous. I was with them about an hour. Jettie and Rob. have a bit to spend. Old Jackson down to Erie. Pittston has a school of over 80. Pretty well that for old Lack in a new age. Jettie has been in here once since they been here. We went up to the U. S. and had a smoke and I tell you what it seemed like old college times again. He corresponded with Miss Knight to kill old Mat. Cotton was here and stopped with me almost a fortnight. He wished me to tell you that he was going to write to you as soon as he
gets settled. He is engaged to teach.
South Berwick five months.
Rowland was here last Saturday
and stayed over Sunday. I think
some of going out to Falmouth
next Saturday. There are 45 in that
Freshman Class at Bowdoin.

As for myself Howard I have a first
note place here on some accounts.
I don’t get great pay but how an
easy berth—have Ned and I do.
afternoon to myself and then is a grand Charles
here to look. I enjoy myself much.
I find her a damned good girl. Though
she quarrel some occasion.
I tell you what. When you are fortunate
to how now. The heart of such a girl
fortunate to how such an incident
to noble endear to to know that she
loves you. Fortunately I said you knew
and so you are but not so fortunate.
I not in but “out of.” The love of the
I tell you what I have been both sides you
been and stayed all night. And I tell you
the fellow that loves may be fortunate the
fellow that don’t is a damned right not.
ill answer very well for Tom Moore.

"There's nothing half so sweet in life as love's young dream," but still I could never find you two that it is the half a touch to love of dream.

Much for experience, but alas this sentiment you cannot appreciate. To you denied the pleasure of looking back on an old affection and remembering the fact love like all things becomes blunted by time and hollowed by remembrance. Byron could say:

'So sweet to know there is an eye

Which marks our coming and grows bright. When once he should not forget that it is sweet to know that the eye that looked coldly and steadily on our coming, not tears, notes some departure. To be requested to call again.

And pretty from fair lips at eventide I stood by the door and often it a few trips home out of happy thinking, times and cares and I still make

Things ones in time to come of which none are but the corner, but "not to come again." Though it sounds a little

thoughly at first a fellow will trudge.
home afterwards with a more and really happier heart. Though his head may be a little lower and his hands a little deeper in his breeches' pockets, this heart may be less light but it is not more sad. His brow may be more shaded, his mood a little changed, for the world, everything has suddenly and strongly altered to him but had grievances not nor does he wish it otherwise. He would not have the earth and all within it revolve again in its former lines of enchantment. He would have it should again greet his wanderers as of old though it never met so fair proportioned or so beauteous hare to the naked sight as when viewed through the magic mirror of and through magic it is true) of love and youth.

He would not again see this dull earth enthrone his ideal for he knows it cannot here be realized. He would not again if he might see an angel in a fair haired blue-eyed maiden, whom eyes declare her such but most notably believe her—nor wishes to believe again as of yest that a heart beats beneath every cold, full, snowy bosom.
like the true student he would not give up his knowledge though ignorance were bliss. He feels as one who has just waked from a pleasant dream, he would not have had it last forever. He realizes that there is something higher in this world than hugs & kisses and though a girl's lips I put of mere gloriously sweet I've sipped their honeyed wealth more than once and now the may yield to another and be d-d to them! But here I have been running on about the women till I guess you are about tired of it but I tell you what Dunn! when I get on the subject of the women I hardly know how to leave it forgetting that you and others are not so much interested in this subject as I am but as I always found you a willing listener and to my foolish talk and really sympathizing with me I hope this Epistle will find you as in the good old College days disposed to be lenient and me will not hold you in this wise next time. But Dunn I want you to bear in mind the truths I have here endeavored to set before you and especially I want you always to remember the first couplet of that song which we sung among others on our last journey to Leeds which runs thus

"There was an Old Negro and his name was John, And he lived long ago, long ago."
I repeat this to myself many times each day when things do not go to my mind and as I think of the privations, misfortunes and vic trials "take heart again"

You know that

"Lies I great men all around us
We may make our lives sublime
And deporting have behind us
An old bell toll out our Chime"

And I think He offers an excellent example of the cheerful, quiet resignation of a great soul.

I now delayed answering you for some time but it has not been because I do not think of your now nor because I did not think your letter of any importance. On the contrary when I shall always remember you and if we shall ever cease to correspond with each other it shall not be through my fault. You and Jewett and Perry have become endeared to me as no others here or can be and if this noble trio you are not the least. We now come out nor into the selfish, business world and I doubt any of us form such attachments again as we did at college or in college life. You cannot complain of the benefit of mine. Clean if you do of my duty so cheer heart good night to you and a bless love on you. Sir sit here and look so sweet and good I know your would like to kiss him and in truth I should like to do it for you but I suppose you would feel no better satisfied

P. S. Peabody
Dear Mother,

Again I commence the pleasure

of writing you a few lines, knowing that it will give

you as much pleasure to hear from me, as it does you

to receive letters from you. It is a rainy day this

afternoon. Sweden at the present state of the weather,

for now we can have no clouds or deep forests, and I can

spend my time in studying or writing. Our little "squad"

has ceased, and my Professor advises me to be in the

Battleship. I have made some great mistakes since I

have been part of the Battleship, but I hold on to

these mistakes with an iron hand. I am learning fast. More now in

what I call the hardest part of the Mathematical course.

At least, I have never found any thing so hard to understand

and explain, as the proof of the Binomial Theorem in Algebra.

Even obliged to apply myself constantly much more than

I would have believed at necessity before I came here, but

as he was paid for it, we can afford to work, and especially

as every effort contributes to our greater wealth.

Uncle Ward was here about a fortnight ago, and I was

unable to make his acquaintance. I found him a much

different man from what I had expected, very intelligent,

giving signs of rather a superior education, and very

gentlemanly. You should trouble him much the more in his few

years, resembles Grandfather Howard. Well dressed, he had
many questions to ask about all his former acquaintances in Maine. On the 3rd, I told him that his son Augustus was out of health, and wished to see me. Therefore I asked him to come here to see me. This he did. And by means of this letter together with the some trouble of precipitation I made out to get him on to be absent from Saturday noon the evening before last Saturday, I expected him to Sherrin Point, and went down to Enfield the next day. From Cornish led me to his little family. His little family is with him & both he and Augustus J. Lewis (who is about 36) Augustus is a fine looking young man; he is a little taller than I, with my fair head, my hairy legs. The latter practically, and all others with me all the afternoon, seemingly to good spirits but soon or six or nine hours after the afternoon he was those hours. One would think him, while he was walking, I thought him or he wouldn't have fallen to the ground. 1st Passed away in a moment or two. 2nd Passed away in a moment or two. 3rd Passed away in a moment or two. 4th Passed away in a moment or two. 5th Passed away in a moment or two. 6th Passed away in a moment or two. 7th Passed away in a moment or two. 8th Passed away in a moment or two. 9th Passed away in a moment or two. 10th Passed away in a moment or two. 11th Passed away in a moment or two. 12th Passed away in a moment or two. 13th Passed away in a moment or two. 14th Passed away in a moment or two. 15th Passed away in a moment or two. 16th Passed away in a moment or two. 17th Passed away in a moment or two. 18th Passed away in a moment or two. 19th Passed away in a moment or two. 20th Passed away in a moment or two. 21st Passed away in a moment or two. 22nd Passed away in a moment or two. 23rd Passed away in a moment or two. 24th Passed away in a moment or two. 25th Passed away in a moment or two. 26th Passed away in a moment or two. 27th Passed away in a moment or two. 28th Passed away in a moment or two. 29th Passed away in a moment or two. 30th Passed away in a moment or two.

Of his health by an address of the congregation. My cousin took North to the Hotel to see my sister. Across the street, I saw the first male cousin, that they had been of name of Howard. Uncle Howard was the place where father worked. While at Putneyville, told me that he had seen the thing when he himself had owned nearly the whole village of Putneyville. Told me that he was in Fair, but I find that he had a large & profitable store, quite opposite Newbury. I have much other property. I also told Mr. Washington that there is some prospect of the Democrats letting him up as a candidate for Congress. Some for my relations in New York. I went with a lady at Wickers in the evening before I left. He claimed to be very fair, and I believe his name is Fanning, but am not certain. The recent the Court Encouraged. He was not so tall. Returned Saturday evening to my confinement, much refreshed by the short respite. I received a letter yesterday from Thomas Brigham, from Norconing. Another a few days ago from his cousin at Washington. He has 100,000, a premium, that I should take on the subject. He wrote an excellent letter, and for a man of so little means, seems to be honored by the Senate. Used my time to all. And the Chartist writes me something in every letter of yours. Off I had time to spare I should write to him personally, but I am obliged to write you all together. This time in his own hands, but mine is not. Yours affectionately, the date...
Dear Brother,

I have just been writing a long letter to mother describing my visit to Portland and as you probably are a little interested in said visit, perhaps something in regard to my trip may not be entirely uninteresting to you. After a fine ride in the car, which perhaps may partly be accounted for by my having very agreeable companion (a young lady who attends school here and lives in Portland) and after looking around a while I found Mrs. Walter and was welcomed at the door by your own little one. I found them both in excellent spirits. I think they will be contented to remain in Portland as long as Perley does. On the Sabbath I attended meeting all day and in the evening with Mrs. Walter. In the evening we heard Mr. Kellogg of Falmouth preach. I like him very well but not as well as I expected. Perley was out here yesterday afternoon and said Mrs. and Mrs. M. were well. It was a week ago that I was in, Mrs. White says she intends to be here daughter guardian herself. I should think it would be too much care for her to do business as she will be compelled to but I suppose she has relatives who will render her all the assistance she may require. Perley said he wrote you the first of last week. When going into Portland I saw her, Fuller and wife and a number of other Wayne people. He said that all our acquaintances were well, that they had a prosperous school of about 35 scholars, an interesting...
Lyon, Oct. 4th. 1847. My dear Cary, and family have moved here and live with Mrs. Stockbridge. I saw the Gr on Travcy day. He said his family were well. Before he left, Wayne he gave a supper in the hall to his friends, about 200 of whom attended. I believe William and Joseph P. are coming here to keep store—a life which I should think in Barre would be lingering death. I am getting along pretty well here, we shall finish the Georgics and Odysseus of Virgil this term. We are now in the third Georgics.

The boys have read Cicero and I shall have to make up this winter. Mr. Jewett has gone to Brunswick today, Monday, for the attorney who is lecturing here, but some of the boys all mostingly suggested that he would call on his old friends while there, which certainly of course you do not believe. Mr. Robinson was at Brunswick to the inauguration of Prof. Stowe. He represents it as being a grand affair.

Speakers by the President, R. P. and Professor. I have not heard from home since I wrote you although I have written twice. They have a class of over 30 at Brunswick which I believe the people have thoroughly initiated. We begin already to read the discipline we shall have to go through with 50 sophomores to take care of us.

Have you seen and become acquainted with Mr. Fielder? Yet if so how do you like him? Why don't you write us your duties so pressing that you do not give time. I believe this is the first time I have ever written two letters to you one, and to to punish you (if it is any punishment) I subscribe myself to this short letter. Your affectionate Brother, Rowland
Dear Cousin

This is the 8th day of December, 1850. The weather is very cold and snowy. I am writing to you to let you know that I am well and thriving. I hope you are also doing well. I have not heard from you for some time and I am anxious to hear from you. I hope you are doing well and that your health is good. I am attached to the military and I am serving in the 2nd regiment of the 1st division. I am writing this letter to let you know that I am well and that I am doing my duty. I hope you are doing well and that your health is good. I am looking forward to hearing from you soon.

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May have settled up the farm home and the wife boards at the Hollowell house, the two family men go in to look after the care of your grand mother and the child. She is a going to have three more to her mind now. Jack and her two have been to Calais on a visit; they did not visit Uncle John. John is at home now. He expects to return this winter. William was out and made a short visit. I don't think of him. Cousin and the young ones are quiet together last winter; I little thought that we should be so far from each other. But it is friends cannot be always near as it is separate, and all good Providence now shows us that we must not set our affections on any thing earthly but still we that are young look forward with bright visions to the future and think there is better days. Few and it is not that we should but our chief love and aim should be to glorify our Father in heaven and in so doing we shall find true happiness. I quit very thankful for your good advice as I am oft to feel jealous sometimes but I will try to follow not to be so. It must have done hard for you to subject to all these requirements and I often think of you and wonder how you must look in uniform your folks are all well, Excepting your sister with the rest. Look after the boys, keep up good courage and think of the reward and it won't be long before you will be free again. Give my love to Uncle Howard and family when you see him. It is growing dark and I must close. Write as often as you can for I take great satisfaction in reading your letters. Yours in love, Samuel B. Howard.
South Shington (Oct. 22, 1850)

Dear Cousin,

I am in So. Shington
and propose to commence a school here
next Monday, to continue ten or twelve
weeks, sagte $28 per month - borrowed.
I was happy to receive your very kind
letter in which you were so good as to
inform me of your health. I do not
know the health to which you were referred. It was
nothing. It which is
not conducive to health, if certainly must
be very detrimental to one's feelings, especially
if he is in any measure inclined to do long
for a great lives of luxury. I suppose if you
future presents to your mind as many bright
and pleasing prospects or rather your success in
enterprise Excite your hopes of future
success & encouragement, but I trust you
will remember that uncertainty written
on everything earthly, it would by no means
do anything to discourage or
dismay you in so great an effort in which
your all conciernces that your sight,
engaged, but feeling interested for your
welfare in every part of it, you
will allow me to recommend the con
continuation of such efforts as are calcu
lated in their very nature to benefit
all men in all circumstances.

It certainly must have been very pleasing
for you to have sustained the position
you were obliged to be especially one in
which you will require not to more a
minute. I believe I should be very
broken as they say, of the case.
but no doubt all these things are necessary in order to be a good officer.

I saw your mother at church last Sabbath. I showed her the letter I had from you, by which she was very glad to hear from you, although she has been unwell. You will have learned before, your friends in needs were then accordingly, you may have learned before they heard of her death had occurred in just a week from the Sabbath this 7th of May gone were published. Yorilla (? Howard) died very soon after, about a week. I think. Mrs. Pauline Woodman died two weeks before I left home. She has been very sick in bed since you left, but got well. I am happy to have this news. I have been gradually getting well, although the complaints very likely to the sprung partly from the scrofula. Further learning the placing the doctor was well. I think of going to Philadelphia prior to spend the Longfellow. It is not for a hundred dollars. I want to see what I am doing. Life seems to have so many results from the letter. Well, old friend, suppose you have just your hand to the plough. If you never intend to look back. I wish you good success, but hope you will remember now that all your friends write me as often as you can. It is perhaps necessary for me to know it upon you to write to your mother as often as you possibly can. I expect you have heard Uncle W... by this time. I presume he was right glad to see you. This is all of importance that I have to communicate. Remember with affection.

Yours affectionately,

[Signature: W. Woodman]
one of his worst organizing spells in memory when I went over to the armory but still he would not be persuaded from his plan of attacking the lines in the City of New York. Now he was convoluted in much worse now than when he left.

I believe I told you the thing that has taken Capt. Turner — had another letter from Charles by this evening that written eight days later than the other nothing especial in it. He still Capt. Burkholder who was in the city for supplies and gives him an idea of the state of the company. They had made a hand some supper then think there is no doubt of it. Goode was cleared in from New York with one of the companies that stated nearly the same as one heard before, but it doesn’t look so serious to him thought before he left it was coming with him but concluded not to wait for it. I am writing to you a few lines occasionally as I thought I would have write to you and give you an idea of the state of the company the last battle of the campaign. There is a lot of the boys able to sail and you are much more able you will find it pleasant.

Love, dear Son,

It is now two weeks since we secured your last. I have set a post every time I write you but something would change my purpose. I wish to know exactly your situation all times, as far as in my power I do not think all is well when it is not, I expected it would be worse if everything went for you. I did not expect from some or no one, but still such extreme fatigues you know I could not bear for you and you would be sorry to have a mother that could not. I am glad your prospect Brigton and your health with your situation and I will try to be content, all I have heard from you is that the teaching school in Portland and landing in the Waverly family. I was in hopes Laura would have written to me so that I could have been acquainted with her. For still think I shall go to that point next time and if he wishes to write to me and he will next time.

Your last letter was written the fourth of this month but I have heard from her. I hope it is spending his time and money at last address I read your letter to Thomas, and the one to Laura, pretty soon. They have written you all the news we have had quite a number letters in last fall, but not of late it is worse quite lately the last time I saw your sent to Laura was at your home. I heard from her a number of times the last time, she had Coursette’s little girl with her at meeting Coursette family have returned to live with her again.

The weather has been very fine through this month the peck, a flock of fall flowers, but we have it much colder since the Sabbath, but we spent the air tight store in yesterday.
I was not just now to talk to him about winter, and what a picture of a boy running in the snow and laughing and covering the dugout once and then again, that will give you a good idea of how it is.

I seldom leave them, and for the most part, keep them good natured. Your uncle John has just been to see the boys yes. I understand he is very much down with his business. 

Yesterday morning, I received a packet of letters from Charles and they were marvellous. I stay in the hotel, in a room and twenty days on the ocean between Panama and San Francisco, I kept a log and that he was home, I recall it he had good health and that would you could say they had a hard time, he was. 

Many encouraged he had been the last one days but thought he saw chances to make money and have home something from the Northern Mining Company, we have heard they would have a handsome dividend. This fall would dissolve the company. The sight of Oct. 

And that, Alice, had been sick all summer, this year. But he expected to be there a few days since last winter. And now he had, he had talked with one who had returned from California. As he, we are in hopes, to hear more and better news from Alice, that he has been quite sick but is now quite recover. The hotel said he didn’t tell her what he had heard about Alice, she was sick. 

She gave me some letters for Winchester that I don’t feel as though he was one of my family. He so often writes. With my son, from what I can. shining brightest. Has not put his family established in Portland yet, you may have told us was that you have any newspapers where and of any what one. I should know what you send it and.

It is regulated. Mother came home with cordwood when she could.

Maria down and said nearly three weeks she went from here one on the two days before snow and went should cannot with his health ever better than I respected to see his weight. The best alternative one day found it very interesting had excellent preaching and singing. Mother was much grateful that you should give the letter. One, for how can you spend time better advantage than in studying the word of God, you speak in one of your letters that you were sorry you had not taken some white shaving points. You think it is best I can purchase some white shaving points. You could easily write me what difference you would wish have between the cadet points and these you have here. Tuesday evening this evening mail brought us a letter from Mr. B. H. I began to be quite lonely it was so long since we heard from you, he said; letter was written the 28th of Oct. He is thinking quite strong that you do not write or you are always so prompt perhaps you have with this. It has been to Portland and gave a description of his visit, I think he is more gratified with his visit. He said that he came to the door and welcomed him and respect the Sabbath with her and brother and her mother, your father just brought me the front leaf paper to show me that he is receiving a new paper in the mail. I have sent you all for the best hand. Now have just received that. 

Alice, and I have received a new paper in the mail. I have sent you all I hope in such a state of health that no want his position to come for him in the carriage and bring fellow to help him up. Some time have...