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Feb 1<sup>st</sup> 1860.

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Lient. Howard  
Sir

Please excuse the liberty  
which I, a stranger to you, now take in  
thus addressing you.

Having been told by the  
wife of our beloved Apostate Bishop Besell  
that you were a devoted follower of our Lord  
and Saviour Jesus Christ - I desire to ask  
you to unite daily with me in claiming  
the promise recorded in Matt 18:19 and  
pledge it in imploring an outpouring of  
the Holy Spirit on the inhabitants of  
West Point especially the cadets - that  
they may become soldiers of the Cross  
be strengthened with might in the in-  
terior man to fight the good fight of  
faith. As a follower of Jesus and  
surrounded by immortal souls and they  
removed from under parental care.

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I trust you will unite with me  
in this petition, and present them  
importunately and faithfully before  
a prayer hearing God. I have a son  
among the cadets and as a christian  
mother my heart yearns for his spirit-  
ual well being.

Excuse the liberty I have  
taken I beseech you and believe me  
very Respectfully yrs  
in the bonds of Christ

Portland Feby 7 1860

Lient O O Howard  
Dear Sir

Your favor of 15<sup>th</sup>  
Recd. Acknowledging recpt of Bonds.  
was duly recd - I have since invested the  
balance \$400 - in Bank Stock - Certificates  
to be given in April - by so doing I get  
Stock at par - in the International Bank  
the Canal & Casco Shares are worth \$6 to 7 dollars  
Premium - - Your Account is as follows Viz

63 Shares R. R. Stock 275 - \$ 4725

50 Bonds 7 86 59<sub>100</sub> 4325

4 Shares Bank Stock 400 4725

I am glad you made the Exchange.  
I think the Bonds will gradually advance while  
the unsecured Stock must depreciate -  
Our kind regards to your dear Wife  
and Children from your affectionate Uncle E. W. W.

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Edward Miller -  
Feb - 1860

281 ~~1st~~ ~~and~~ ~~2nd~~

Brassell D. Field  
it is

now & now  
now & now  
the main ridge made over grass and  
timbered - timber road is - 9 ft wide at  
the west of the ridge is made of  
well banked it is soft to the touch  
yellow & there are small trees & large  
all kinds of grass & small trees - - - - -

282 ~~1st~~ ~~2nd~~ D. Field

283 ~~1st~~ ~~2nd~~ D. Field

spared with great care trees were  
also spared all along this road all done  
- trees of all kinds took care of  
trees & shrubs well kept & always green - - -  
and trees well laid out

P.S. I send herewith a half dozen copies of a sermon recently printed, & to be dispersed of as you may think best. Perhaps the young men of the prayer meet, could induce their company to read it.

I send also one copy of a discourse <sup>delivered</sup> on the last Sab-  
afternoon of Decr last, printed  
in the " Herald of Truth". I have  
only one copy left or I wo<sup>t</sup>  
send you more.

May the Lord bless them  
wherever read. — aff,

R. M. Gardner

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Goldspring, Feby 8<sup>th</sup> 1860  
O.O. Howard Esq.  
Dear Friend

Your note  
reached me yesterday. I am  
much obliged to you for writing  
to me concerning poor Lynd.  
I will take the very earliest op-  
portunity and go down to see  
him. Meantime should you see  
him please tell him this.

We held our meetings for  
prayer agreeably to the plan  
I mentioned to you and had  
a most delightful week. And  
I am glad to say that the  
meetings have been contin-  
ued up to this time, not in-  
deed for the world so much  
as for ourselves. This is now  
the fifth week since the ser-  
vices commenced and I

am pleased to say that they  
have been greatly blessed.  
The church has been revived  
and many have been hope-  
fully converted. Mr. Weekes,  
whom you see him, would be  
able to give you the details. —

— Your letter reached me  
yesterday, and it is an inter-  
esting fact that your request  
for prayer had been antic-  
ipated. On Sunday a friend  
handed me a Baptist paper  
called the "Examiner", which  
contained an account of the  
transactions of the Fulton St  
prayer meet<sup>g</sup>. Amongst other  
things there was a notice taken  
of the remarks and prayers made  
by some gentleman from the  
Military Academy at N.Y.C. In  
the remarks reference was made  
to the company of cadets, about  
forty in number, who hold an-  
der the conduct of one of their teach-

=ers a semi weekly prayer  
meet<sup>g</sup>. This notice I read  
on Sabbath & to my people  
and commended it to your inter-  
ests to their prayers. I intend  
tonight to read to them a part of your  
letter of yesterday, and to re-  
new my appeal to them in  
your behalf. For the prayers  
of even one righteous man or  
woman avail much.

Please remember me kindly  
to your the members of your  
prayer meeting and ask for  
my people and myself an  
interest in their prayers.  
May the Spirit of the Lord  
descend long upon your  
entire party and make you all  
soldiers of Christ. —

I should be very glad to see you  
here. Can you not come over  
some ev<sup>n</sup>g while the moonlight  
continues & share in our exercises?  
— Yours very truly H. G. Warner

O. W. Johnson

Dear Sir your letter  
that you have kindly sent  
and addressed to me  
has just got to hand  
so I answer you now as  
soon as possible. I am  
now at home & have  
had much time to think  
what to do with you as it is  
in doubt and I have thought  
over it well and the result  
is that I will accept  
any sum you will offer  
but I will not accept less  
than \$2000.00. I have  
not decided what sum is to  
be paid by you but I will  
have you pay me the  
balance and I will  
not charge you interest.

North Turner Feb. 20. 1860

Dear Sir I hope you will excuse my remissness in not writing to you before the stone that I agreed with you for was put in the grave yard until late last fall or the first of the present winter don't recollect which I designed to write you immediately after receiving the stone but it slipped my mind until last night probably I should have been more punctual had the money <sup>been</sup> coming to me rather than going you should have kept the pay when it was in your hands as I proposed - I recd. 2000 soon after you left rather unexpectedly for I designed to pay you out of it

~~Dear Mr. & Mrs. Whitman~~

It is a general time of health  
with us and my wife still im-  
proves - grows stronger & physically  
and mentally so it raises my courage  
some to think that she is improving  
altho very slow does some light  
work and goes out occasionally  
a visiting last fall she went to  
Portland and made a visit  
and returned in good health  
and spirits.

Feb. 26 as I was called off  
before I finished my letter last  
Monday and lost the opportunity  
of sending to the office that morn-  
ing my wife and I went off  
on a visiting tour and were  
caught in a storm of rain  
that made the road impassable  
for a few days but at length

~~Fri. Feb. 26~~

Again enjoying usual health  
we had a fine visit met with  
an old acquaintance from  
Minnesota Giles Haines and he  
gave us some wonderful ac-  
counts of Spiritual ~~manifestations~~  
festations which I could not  
credit if I did not know him  
to be a very honest and intel-  
ligent man - I am almost in-  
clined to believe that is some-  
thing real in the matter -  
will you please give me your  
views on the subject -  
It is most time for me to pre-  
pare for meeting so I close -  
With desirs to be remembered in  
love to yourself and family -  
I enclos - fifteen dollars -  
Yours truly C. Whitman

New York 21<sup>st</sup> February 1860

Dear Otis

I have been thinking every day that I would go up & see you but something in the way of business has detained me so that I can not say positively when I can go. I am thinking of taking a vessel for the Nassau trade which will be very pleasant as I shall be half the time with Sarah & Frank and I think the business will pay better than anything else as freight now stands. Although shipping business is beginning to improve a little. I feel very unsettled now and shall until I decide on something to do which I hope will be in a day or two when I will see you at West Point.

I hope Charles got home safe and that his health is no worse from his visit to New York. How is the crossing at West Point, I have not heard any thing from Main since my return what news from Ladd, have you heard anything from Vaughn with much love to Lydia & the children & Charles I remain as ever your affectionate Cousin S Perry Jr  
Tell Charles to write me at Washington Hotel, New York.

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Portland

away is now one of the first working men in the Union  
clap - He has taken a firm stand in the Temperance  
Society and has infused new energy into its declining and  
uninteresting meetings - The Temperance men are making up.  
This will be good news to Charles - The Free man election  
is the only down back, when the progress of the spirit of God  
in our midst - But as one side have <sup>about</sup> concluded to withdraw  
from the contest we are in hopes that the excitement which  
so usually attends an election of that character will  
be avoided - - Nettie has commenced her school with  
twenty five or thirty scholars and they will pay her  
well - It is a private school and it will be easier and  
more lucrative than a town school - Give my love  
to Lizzie and the children - Tell Charles that I  
will write him as soon as I can - Give my love to  
him - Write me as soon as you can make  
it convenient - Pray for me and the college

Yours very affectionately etc.

R. H. Gilman

Frievng morning - I find my letter still in the drawer but will send it  
today - Tell Charles that I am thankful for the papers - Our alliance  
voted last night to give up the election silent and let the other side  
bring on their men (The above is for Charles himself) - I will write Charles  
in regard to the fun we are having in anticipation when it takes place -  
I may write him before next Saturday when we have our election -  
I had a letter from Mother last night - no news of general interest -  
Mother is coming down here next Thursday -

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Portland Feb. 26. 1860 -

My dear brother:

I commenced and even finished a letter  
to you nearly two weeks ago but neglected to carry it to the  
P.O. until it got to be so old that I gave it up - But I  
will try to answer your letter now and will write Charles soon  
long - I was glad to get your letter after so long a silence but on  
that account I suppose it was the more welcome - Much of  
my spare time is now taken up by the Free man election which  
takes place next week - We are pretty sure to get beaten this time  
as they according to our best counting have a number of men  
more than we can muster, so we have about concluded to abandon  
the contest and let them have it - This course will save us  
much money, time, trouble and ~~bad~~ <sup>bad</sup> feeling - Father is going  
to Portland next Thursday in company with the other members  
of the Legislature to visit the "natural seaport of the Canadas" by  
the special invitation of the city government of Portland -

Mother has long been talking of coming down here and make  
Nettie and Ella a visit and go and see other of our  
friends in the town - I called at Mr. Fand's a few days  
since and learned for the first time that Miss Hedges  
was in St. G. - I called at Mrs. Groop's a day or two ago  
and Lucy Ann was "out making calls" and Mrs. Groop was  
quite unwell so that I was unable to see her - I saw Mrs.

Frost a day or two ago, and she inquired about you, Lizzie &  
the children and Charles - Ms. Frost has got over calling

me Delhi - The railroad movement has ceased to be talked of so much now as the bill has got through the Legislature in good shape - You seemed to think it very strange that I do not go to hear Dr. Adams in preference to anyone else - I have a great many reasons why I like to go somewhere else and I think it is no more if I say those promptings which my feelings dictate. The first reason is, that I don't like to hear Dr. Adams preach - His sermons are good but his delivery is hard and uninspiring - I have great difficulty in following the ~~points~~<sup>points</sup> of his discourse - Hesitation, cast pale. I have found myself thinking of everything except Dr. Adams - The benches are very hard and the Sophomores have stolen all the Freshmen's cushions so that it is hard and tiresome to sit still on them for an hour and a half or longer - The meeting house is a poor one to speak in and as the sound is not reflected by the roof. The " sounding board" does those no good who sit in the gallery of the S. transept as the gallery is nearly as high as the board - The students are usually whispering, laughing and reading, at there, which constantly takes my mind from the preacher, even if he should be a very eloquent man - I have been to go to the Baptist, but as there is no meeting at the Baptist and has been none regularly since I had permission to go there, I go over the river to the Long. church to hear Mr. Potter whom I like very much, whom I consider very eloquent, and decidedly a devoted Christian man - There we have good seats and the preacher is talking to us not to someone else - Dr. Adams has a congregation whom he preaches to and whom he looks at when he is talking - We in the gallery are mere spectators

and look on - Some of it is intended especially for us, as we are not of his congregation. But at other churches the students mingle with and form part of the congregation and feel as if the remarks were intended for us - I never can listen attentively to any man when he is talking back or <sup>in a public speaker's voice</sup> side toward me. I like to have a person look me in the face and then I can pay attention to his remarks - You wanted to know why I did not go to hear Dr. A. and I have stated a number of reasons - I might more but think I have said enough - Last Thursday afternoon and evening we had the college part - The meeting in the vestry was very interesting and there was much interest apparent in the minds of those present - We certainly felt as if the Holy Spirit was truly present there - The meeting was well attended by the students More than half I should judge were present - On Friday p.m. Dr. Anderson, the first Secretary of the American Board of Foreign Missions, addressed the pious students of the college in the Senior Recitation Room upon the subject of Foreign Missions - This morning the meeting of the Praying circle was ~~so~~ very interesting and it seemed as if the Spirit of God was present during the whole time. The meeting was unusually full, there being as many as seventy present - Prof. W. Bright declined last evening - It seems as if God was present in all our meetings and we feel very much encouraged - Fred. Kendall, whom Charles knows, of the Senior class, the "hardest" drinker and it seemed the worst man in college, was converted during vacation & he comes back a reformed man - Fred. Kendall of last year, poor and tank, looking as if his health was entirely dissipated

and asked him to do the business for me.  
I told him of course let J. H. Otis have  
350 dollars, provided he gave me  
his note due in one year, secured  
by a first Mortgage on his real  
estate. This would motivate John  
to raise money enough besides mine  
to clear his estate from Mortgages  
before he could execute on it in my favor.

He has not yet done so, but I found  
~~from Judge M-~~ the other day that he told Judge  
Morrill he should be able to give me  
the desired Mortgage in a few days.  
We have changed all our Atlantic  
Stock into Bonds & Bank Stock and  
I feel a little safer in that quarter  
than I did. Tell father I am very  
glad to see the A. N. R. having such  
fine prospects - from Gordon & Ball  
& not the least desirable part is to  
be free from the pestering of  
the other road. I hope father is very  
well & enduring the winter of office without  
detriment to peace & comfort.

*Return paper and today*

*The following comes in this way & called "Second hand news"*

*John's daughter  
is wife - tell  
you when & where  
she got her  
husband.*

*John's  
son & wife  
are  
now  
in  
England.*

O. O. Stowar  
West Point N.Y.

February 2d 1860

I was going to write  
you on the day Charles wrote his  
last letter, but as he got the start of  
me, I concluded to put off writing  
for a few days so that you might  
not have <sup>have</sup> so many letters at the same  
time & then have wait long for  
another folder. The library gives me  
some additional duties & thus absorbs  
some of my time. But I now feel quite  
free; for I have finished the article on  
a Military Subject that I had so long  
in contemplation - and have long ago gone  
through with the lecture on Abortion  
which I was to deliver at the "Falls". Mrs.  
just said you had <sup>gone</sup> to Worcester and  
that you had not returned when his  
last news left Brunswick and maybe  
you will not be in Hallowell when this  
reaches there. You must tell me all about

Your visit here is kindly remembered &  
and when did they hear from the children  
if large sized men & women can be called  
children? I hope you have enjoyed your  
stay at Hallowell very much & that it  
has been mutually pleasant for Cousin Henry,  
Sister Josie and yourself. I noted by  
the paper that Father's boarding place  
is the Central House Augusta. From  
this, I suppose he takes his dinner  
up there. Charles has been to New York  
now twice you probably have had an  
account of his first visit. He wrote  
last Thursday to go & see the Rev H. G. Allen  
yesterday & to accompany Miss  
Maria Tupper up here. The result - found  
Mr G. went to the Opera, attended the  
Fulton St Prayer meeting - but brought up  
Perry Lee instead of Miss Tupper. Father  
fortunately for us, for Guy was taken  
with his old fits <sup>(Chas.)</sup> fevers intermittently  
few while he was gone; this has caused  
us considerable uneasiness & anxiety, but

he is now almost well again. He is  
running about or play, looks pale  
& a little reduced in flesh. We think  
he took a sudden cold & that  
a change of the bowels at the  
same time helped on the fever -  
We have reason to be very thankful  
to God that we have been blessed with  
health & so many of his bounties &  
that He has so cared for us as to  
raise up our little boy again. May  
we never forget to recognize His hand  
in such benefits & blessings. I must  
tell you something about a transaction  
of mine with John <sup>This offer</sup>. John & Father  
will hardly approve of it. John wrote  
me that in a few days we should  
lose his farm - everything, for he could in  
view the alternative to satisfy his  
obligations at Auburn, and said he  
applied to me ~~as~~ as a last resort. After  
some correspondence with John on  
the subject, I wrote to Judge Morse

The "Alma," which takes this letter, is the best vessel running between here & N.Y. and if Charles thinks best to come, it will be a good opportunity for him to return in her. She will remain 10 days or a fortnight in N.Y. She is boundly near the Beacon, and he will give you any information you wish. I suppose you have seen Perry, your fellow. He has been so unfortunate, he was quite discouraged when he left here. I am afraid it will be a long time before he gets another vessel. I wish he might find some good business on shore to do.

Mr. Sayant intended to have written to you today, but he is so full of business that he has not time, they have the care of 4 wreched rebels to attend to all alone and he has been half sick for the last fortnight. I am afraid before he gets through with them all, he will be quite sick. He joins me in much love to you both, and sends his little "Gus & Grace" give our love to Charles, and please tell him the contents of this letter, I thought as you were all together, one letter would answer, I hope he got my letter by the "Hamer" you see I wish you would find time to write

to me occasionally. It is such a busy time here that I can't get time to write you. I will try to do so now, but I must say there is no time to do so. I have been intending to write you a long letter, ever since our arrival here, but the multiplicity of family cares, prevents my attending to many duties, as I should like to do. and I find it a difficult thing to sit down, and collect my ideas sufficiently for writing until my 3 babies are fast asleep. for like all boys they like to play horse, and make a great noise. We were very much disappointed in not being able to visit you before leaving N.Y. but we staid so long "star board," that at last we had little time, and Frank had business to attend to, that could not be neglected. I wanted very much to go to Philadelphia

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but we were obliged to forego the pleasure  
of seeing our friends there too. We had a  
delightful visit at Leeds, and I think it is never so hot as here. they are in  
it seems more like home to us than  
any other place; your Mother, & Uncle  
Evans were particularly kind to us all,  
and Mr Targent became very much  
attached to them; this was his first  
acquaintance with them; your Mother  
told Frankie so much of Guy & Grace.  
that they have not yet forgotten them,  
and Frankie often speaks of them, and asks  
when we are going to see them. I hope they  
will see each other some time.

I wrote to Charles by the steamer, last week,  
and could tell him nothing definite  
about coming out here, since then, we have  
had letters from Nagoya, and they want  
him to come out at once, and certainly  
insure him \$500, and may be able to  
raise more for him, and they will do  
all they can, to make him comfortable  
and happy while he remains among

them. It is a very healthy place, and  
has a more pleasant climate than this, as  
the direct line of the "trade winds", and  
always here a good breeze. Mr Struben  
the Episcopal Bishop, opened a School,  
but finds that he cannot attend to so  
many duties, and has given it up.  
and they will be very much disappointed  
if Charles does not come out. I hope he  
will find the change beneficial, there are  
not many scholars, and the school will  
be an easy one for him, and will not be  
a very great tax upon his strength. If  
a vessel should be leaving New York for Nagoya  
direct, it would be the cheapest way for  
him to go, the passage is \$30.00, in a  
sailing vessel. It is the same to this  
place, and we should be very glad to  
see him come this way, and make  
us a little visit, vessels are frequently  
going from here to Nagoya, and therefore is  
only \$5.00, I think, it is 300 miles from here.