C. F. Smith Office
April 30, 1860

My dear Sir: Please accept my thanks (as you will certainly have those of our readers) for my interesting and valuable letter, which will appear in this week's Observer. It contains a great amount of information which will encourage the hearts of Christians which I trust will lead to more earnest prayer on behalf of those who are called to bear arms in defense of our common country. The information too relates to a class of which little is known of a religious character among Orientals.
As you did not expressly authorize the publication of your letter in full, I have omitted the initials but published the letter entire.

I will forward you several copies.

Yours very truly,

S. W. Prime.
Portland April 6 1860

Lieut O. O'Howard
Dear Sir

I now enclose you the Cashier's Check of Canal Bank on the Bank of New York for Two hundred twenty two dollars being part of dividend due your Good Wife on Rail Road Bonds and Bank Stock - I expected to have sent you with this the Certificate of 4 Shares of Bank Stock - which I purchased long ago as I before advised you - but the Cashier being unwell and not at the Bank - the certificates were not ready to day - but they will draw interest all the same - Shall undoubtedly get the certificate to forward you 1/24 of the week perhaps tomorrow -? 3? 3? to your Affectionate Uncle

Love to all

E. W. A.
Portland, April 7, 1860

Dear O'Howard,

I wrote you yesterday, enclosing a check on Bank of New York for $222. I was not then aware of getting the certificate of stock which I now enclose—I paid for this long time ago so as to get it at original cost. I could not get it in Casco or Canal at any price. Should you prefer the cash, I think it will readily sell at a small advance. I have taken some stock in the same bank and consider it as good as any bank in the city.

Please acknowledge receipt and oblige.

Your affectionate uncle,

[Signature]
[Handwritten text not legible]
Portland April 21/60

Lieut. O. H Howart

Down Air

on the 6 inst

Enclosed a Check for $222 on the
Bank of New York directed to
you also on 7th I enclosed certificate
for Shares Bank stock.

Please inform me if the
same have been rend
in hand — Yours Truly

E. Watry
New York April 27th

Dear Otis,

I received your card on my return to New York and was very glad to hear from you or login but I did not get back so soon as I expected and since then have been very busy getting the L armour at the Darlington party for tea as I should have been up to see you. I go this evening to Boston and shall be back Tuesday morning and shall find out about the Pof 185 for Warsaw. I should like much to have Charles come with me but think with you it is rather late in the season for him to carry his bags or to benefit this health as
It will be very warm in Nebraska which I am now I get a letter from Dad yesterday He said the boys would come out and visit them but thought they would not want a teacher at Inagua for less than a year With much love to Agnes and the Children and Agnes
I remain your affectionate
Oscar Perry

Tell Miss Gay I will not be able to make the visit I miss you this trip but I will try and spend one night with you before I sail Perry
Mrs. Hazard

Dear Cousin Otis,

I hope you will excuse me of the intrusion when I say to you I have been thinking of some time writing you and expressing to you my brother Charles Henry who I suppose has been spending the winter with you (but I am not certain) and desire you to give him my respects and say to him if he returns to Madrid I wish him to come and spend some time with me on his return which would give him an opportunity of seeing and learning whatever might be of interest to him—How is his health? I have not heard a word from your Mother since...
Encouragement is long overdue.
Please write me all you may.
I have written several times but have not received an answer.
I have had a letter recently from Mrs. Jane Fenton Warren and
Martha Morton, also one from Mrs. Lee and Ada Lee Morton.
All of the above mentioned were well together with their
families—Mrs. Lee was here
to see us a while since—he
is a very kind man and
appears a very kind man and
energetic. He is a very
true friend. His family are all
well—Oliver remains in the
same store where he has
been for so long a time—Beadle
with his father. Lester goes
to school here, I suppose. He
has got to be quite boy in size
in a short time. I am sure you
are missed. Father had asked me
not to write until you are
here. We have been in
Kendall, Ohio, a short distance
from where I live when you
were here. We have a large
convenient and airy house, plenty
of room to make you as comfortable
as possible. In conclusion, if you will take
the trouble to come, we will see you.
I will give your directions that
you may have no trouble in finding