Nov. 2, 1860

My dear Mother,

All have gone to bed and my eyes feel a little tired.

Of Hebrew so I want to write you a few lines. I haven’t heard from you for so long a time that I fear if a relapse on your part you are too busy to write. I think we can all fairly well, though each one of the family has colds. Which causes quite a concert of coughing in the morning.

Everything goes on about as usual with us, though being very little to vary the ordinary routine. We get up between six & seven a.m. I get my lessons, go to meditation, return between 11 & 12. Spend the day sewing & the children at play or doing a little. I look over my newspaper.
My letters to my love. I have an occasional desire, sometimes, to go to the hospital before church. I always go there on Sunday. I need to do something else, then we sit down to dinner. After dinner, I generally ride or walk for an hour or two. Though I have been working hard, I have not been able to keep up with the school work. Mrs. Carroll has gone away for a few days, and I am to exercise her horse for her while she is away. So I have had the opportunity of getting supplies for the children to ride. I go to church in the morning, and I go to the hospital in the afternoon. I go to see the cadets' programs in the evenings. The cadets' exercises are very interesting. The routine of study and exercise. I want to visit the hospital a little later. I often visit the hospital before church. It is near by, and I had no time to go to the other. Here I have lived. Sometimes I read the Bible. I have never been in the Chapel. I am there from 1 to 5 if possible. I usually go to the Methodist meeting from 7 to 9. Last Sunday, I went to the church. I was to 'tea' at the church. I was to address the children at a missionary concert. I have been once before. I do not do a great deal of work here, but I do not often feel refreshed and invigorated as I would like. My health is good. And if anything is wrong, I can eat too much. But I am thankful for the great blessings. I have been in this constant care of God. I am dear.
he (Guy) must look so
much like you, with the
hat on. I want a picture
of Guy very much. Maybe
we have one? When you
get down to Putnam I'll be
tomorrow have one taken
and send it. Yes, Ella is nice.
I send her love to you.
Jugie, the children West-
the is mourning over going
out to the other Field. I am
heard an acid, a little
ague in the face. Was
very glad to get your letter
about the Prince and the
Bishop. We got a three-
gal. bag of pinecones from
home yesterday. Send you
want some?
Yours afft., Portland.

Samuelson. Nov. 21, 1860

Dear Rev. Ots,

I have found all lost property except my Greek Testament. I'll try
that is at West Point. I beg heartily to present it to you with
much love. I have supposed that Mr. Wing had left you
but Mother tells me the
will stay all Winter. Give
her my love to Ella. We have
been thinking her much
Mrs. Smith would like to see her
when the vacations. It sounds
like Ella is to be the new teacher
a small, Short School of 8
weeks. We will commence
right after Thanksgiving
(Dec. 29th). Ella + I went
down to Leeds to direct with
Mother yesterday. Return.
in the P.M. train. That gives an about 34 hours at home. Mother was very much better by the return from Green Grove Falls, with us. Father came up on business, they were to stop with Peter, though I was not able to stop. We had one of the most beautiful afternoons of this beautiful season (Indian summer). I don't know how that I notice to you that we have made an arrangement with the C.R. to have a special train on Father's return! I have thought since, was at Mr. St. at the book of theology, just such as you need—Knepper's, theology. It is in one vol. Not very expensive. I would certainly have it as it is full.

I generally reliable as much as any. I can now of the Leeds people be our own yesterday. Mother had had a very interesting letter from the bug had sent it down to Lucille. I have been working on local calls to make this week. There were still at our Sunday evening meetings this a dark night. Our meetings are quite full, but no other signs of special interest. I have changed with Mr. Moore next Feb. 1st. We have our first communion as Pastor and people in the P.M. May the Lord bless himself at our own table. Tell them that Frank Gilmore sent me a picture of the prince. I suppose...
In compliance with your request, I give you the following account of my religious experience.

My ancestors were Quakers, and they all, of whom I have knowledge, were Christian, members of different churches. My parents were both devoted Christians, and always taught by both precept and example, to lead their children to a Savior.

Many times during my youth did a sense of sin, prayer of some Christian person, affect me deeply, and often at such times I turned away where none but God could see, and tried to pray. Then instead of the remembrance of sins of companions would creep over me, and I would grieve away the Holy Spirit. Thus my time passed until the winter of 1857. A great revival of religion was then in progress, and many of my companions were hopefully converted. I was somewhat affected, so much so that I arose in the prayer meeting, as a request for prayers.

During the winter my father was taken sick, and after a protracted illness, his death rejoiced me. For last wish for his children was that they might be converted and live to do good in the cause of Christ. My father's death made a deep and lasting impression on me, and I inwardly resolved to find a Savior Whose words could make me peaceful and dying bed. I started my
Bible and became convinced of my sinfulness in the sight of God. I felt that something must be done, so I took my Bible and went into the wood and there prayed earnestly that I might be saved. I was greatly impressed by the Scripture, “Take heed that ye enter not into the vineyard of the Sabbath.” vi, 24. So I kept my feelings pent up in my own bosom for several days, until I happened one day on the ship of a young man who was a Deacon of the Church. He knew nothing of my mind but like a Christian he spoke to me of my eternal welfare. I unburdened him my whole secret and was kindly advised to pass on and do my duty. Sometime or time for a few weeks afterward I made known my feelings in public, and as I was then about to start for West Point, I was advised by my friends to join some church as a safeguard to keep me while away.

At this time, the Church to which my parents had always belonged, was without a Pastor, but the Church met at my mother's house on the evening previous to my departure, and I there became a member of the Congregational Church of New Sharon, Maine, and took the vows of God upon me. Thus I went from my friends in my early Christian life, and entered upon a life surrounded with temptations; but I have not ceased to hope and pray that I may be kept from the evil in the world, and that I may lead the life of a Christian. My experience in my present situation is perhaps already known to you. Sometimes when I lack the interest I ought to maintain, but at other times I think I can truly feel the joy arising from the love of God, and it is my prayer that I may ever be a disciple of Christ. Hoping that I may be remembered in your prayers, I am, Sir,

Respectfully yours,

J. D. Smith.

Capt. C. H. Howard.

Perhaps it may be well to state aside from the above that the Church referred to is the Second Congregational Church of New Sharon, also that Rev. Jonathan S. Adams has since been installed as its Pastor.

U. S. N. A. West Point, N. Y.

Nov. 2nd 1860.
Leeds, Nov. 4th 1860.

By I can see you.

My dear son, We.

It has been a long time since I have written you. I cannot tell you how long, but one thing I know, I am very happy when I receive yours, and everyone is a treasure to my heart, and you could not devote a few minutes to anything that could approximate them so, and I have the pleasure of feeling that my heart has such other yours letters have come in good time. I have been feeling extremely good health Saturday we took a letter from the office called to Mr. Farthing's. He asked me if I could have a letter from your kind letters to Leslie and she said, that to ask the name of Leslie, I think it was, she was quite pleasant for her to have met your hand writing at the post office. After his mother's absence we have written him to day and we hope upon his return from Brownlow tomorrow, I am not going to have Leslie on school again, as she told me she had an attack of it last winter. I have been so fully recovered from it. I think of her and his schoolmaster often. I hope she has got cold weather soon. These days will complete 38 years of your life.

From your affectionate mother.

Eliza Gilmore

C. E. Howards
will continue these teachings, but it is a dark day to her soul. I received a letter from her soon after you did and written her in return, and hope my letter will be some comfort to her, but sometimes the heart is so full that it seems almost like making too tender an appeal to the soul. I hope she will come to God and whatever befalls her, in a worldly sense of view, she will be found at the feet of Jesus, truly a beneficiary to those such as has, in looking over the world, to think of no one she can put much confidence in, and in her trying situation, the sympathy of a true husband is a great relief. She is now busy and hope yesterday at Conference, and that little talk with them, they told me John has received a letter from her, that she was staying the rest of the week at her friend's, and that her husband is well. She sent a letter from her father saying the world is coming on with well, and have you heard anything of the kind. And we wrote from both. But last Thursday, the Rev. Mr. Howard and lady, that is our Rowland and Ella, came down in the morning train and returning in the evening making a short visit, carrying his hope full of ties colder you remember the little cup egg, a present from Auntie, but, he brought me only to talk to see if he could-enquire his visit, his visit, to Newfoundland, but some such things are palpable as she was met, but he had been all of your plans and feel them with sympathy, and Sarah and Peter, and the good and shared in very good spirits. Suave by sitting down, while at home Ella was in fine spirits, was glad to go where she could be called Ella again, as if, all the Howard at this time, they like full better than they expected and seem in pretty good health. It has left such since went there, I think he feels the responsibility of the place he is in the preacher. Thanksgiving day, there is a great deal expected of a minister. I hope God will be his friend. She says they were there was a bright Sunday day they gathered a fine bouquet from the garden, and took the train in the train, on the nation you father and I went with them as far as Lewmore falls, and returned the next morning. I am getting well. I was again I did not hear any from her, without fatigue, but became settled after a good night's sleep in my own bed. Our apples are ripening this year, and I wish you could have a handful or two sent into your blood for the children to eat, your father has picked him all himself, and had the small ones made into cider, and have built a one barrel into tin gallery, and shall add another for experiment to see if it will be right next, we have having and happy another all the time, the only son was the first day of November. He's gone home is in the morning, and we had a beautiful day all though. But I think I can sympathize with you in regard to your children, never was a mother more closely attached to their children than yours, and even more deeply into all this feeling with a jealous eye, and I think they have obtained the hand of great force, that money cannot buy. Charles writes us though the love of God had increased his soul, if he had his letter I would copy exactly word for word. I did receive a letter from him, I had thought she would enjoy writing it so much, but it was not satisfactory letter to me. I felt truly that the goodness of God follows it all the way, yesterday was led to see the value of religion while at our conference, Mr. Winter wrote to enter fully into his work, his faithfulness must be a blessing throughout, seems one he enter into his duties, perfectly, he is now preaching at one of them showing the necessity that the Church should speak and when the probable pulpit by human health is poor, and I am rather anxious about her, she was out to conference, but her hands are healed considerably and her feet are badly swollen, so that the more time lay, since then her Aunt Amelia is with her, but I fear she will not be able to bear it all she needs to have her boys while she was gone to London. Her brother picked up and send off done want to see her but could get no satisfaction from her it is hard to deal
Dear Old, It is pretty late
at night but ask us Este to
write a few lines to you &
I will. I wish you could
come in & see our cozy little
home. I guess you’ll want
to stop. Remember had
two right times luck, for
was a week & didn’t get
true out of it, but it is
really still. That on eirene
line quite to. I’ve a siruck
I beg to put quite like “the
midnight skye” not like “a
mischievous age” as I have
always imagined. Though not
very hopeful like, but it is
a pleasant to see in the
people are very kind & very
I like them. Will piggy the
small & love around home
& minutes. But give my best
love to piggy & the children
and don’t blice if she is not
with you. I had a pleasant ride at Dean’s &
ask. All love & kin. So with as good
Hampton Nov 10th 1860
Dear Rev. Old,
I have been
unwell & kept the house
for a week but feel very
thankful tonight for the
very delightful convalescent
Conscience that I have. I
have been quite recover
this not quite a fever. I
was supplied & took Lab.
by Father Rogers. I will be
tomorrow by Terr’s Baptist
Brethren. I only wish
that you & church were
in this town. My
friendship has been a blessing
to me in a no. I may
not least in teaching me
the intrinsic value of my
wife— I am to ride
out a little way to
attend a funeral tomarow.
the daughter of one member
of our church. He has
been a disease of the
throat and may have
been diphtheria. I sup-
pose the Physicians here
are justly ignorant. I
must renew my request
in regard to Mr. Gray's
removal. I will pray
for the time he
was spared in writing
while I desired. If there
is a secret must not be
disclosed, I will say
no more about it.
Rev. Mr. Southwick of
Holden mailed me this
week as follows: You
Mr. has been a rich resource
to us to me especially.
We will miss him very
much while he leaves.
This week I thank the
Lord very much for sending
their here. So I suppose
Charlotte in our Banquet tonight.
Della goes to Holders after
Thanksgiving. We all rejoice
in the Election of Mr. Lincoln.
If I only felt that the
wise grace in his
heart I should have
no fear for the Spirit
of His Administration.
My scenes are quite
quite different. If you must
have a longer letter,
I suppose you can
read the Telegraph containing
the notice of Amanda Brinley.
Did you also see that
of Mrs. Everett? Perhaps
Ella will write soon.
Love to all.

Mrs. aft. Miss
Portland
medical building, which is to be one hundred feet long and of the same height as the other college buildings, containing only three stories. The sum of 21,000 if we are appropriated for that purpose. The political condition of the country seems to be the theme which arrests a large share of the public attention of our little friend's College. Most all other subjects seem to be absorbed by this. I trust the students and people of the town have a grand notion — to celebrate the election of "Red Ayl." The cause of Religion, like everything else seems to be absorbed in this great political movement. The morning services are thinly attended — are for the most part cold and stuffy. Three seems to be our little freedom among those who do attend. Every little thing that comes to my ears of the place, as the meeting and the morning meeting — my love to Mr. L. and the children.
Nov. 14. Wednesday. I had a letter from home yesterday. Mother is getting along nicely.

Renta has had an attack of the fever and has not been able to do much for some time, but it seems that he is now improving and will be able to resume his duties immediately. Chalke has now finished his school and will go to Bangor tomorrow to be examined. Attila began his school this week. My time will end in two weeks from Saturday at which time I shall go home to spend Thanksgiving day. I think I shall see the majority of the other children at home again.

You have not spent Thanksgiving at home for a long time. I wish we could all be at home once at this time and think we could give thanks with thankful hearts. After Thanksgiving, the negocioy, I shall go to Bangor, come here to my place, train up in ridicule, I shall teach in the same house. Mr. Strong has taken charge of this fall. You got A
My dear Mother,

I have come from

Meeting. I have concluded to spend the

time in the Gray

village. I am 

attending a church service at 8 o'clock this morning. I am not in the best of health, but I shall try to

regard the feelings of others. I hope we will try to pray that the Church may

progress in spiritual liberty. I trust we will try to pray that the Church may

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progress in spiritual liberty.

Your affectionate son,

[Signature]

Head - March 11th
November 11th 1860

C. C. Howard
Miss Thet was riding on horseback for a while and then turned back for some time.

Miss Thet's voice was strong and clear, and her words were very loud.

I will never be able to forget this meeting. Bethel recently had some service and I feel very deeply that I must go to Bethel tonight.

I wish you to pray for the sick and those who are not well. Pray for the young people who are coming to the meeting tonight.

If I could spend time with you tonight, I would like to talk to you about the Lord's work.

I have been to a meeting in John's room and I am feeling much better now.

I hope you are well today.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
My Very Dear Friends,

I have not had the pleasure of hearing from you since the expiration of your Summer's leave of absence. I suppose that you are still at the point engaged in your usual labors. And I must confess that I have waited a long time to make this indirect inquiry as to your whereabouts & to ask after the welfare of your dear family.

Though I am not willing to forget, my interest in you & yours, your success in your generous labors to advance the Cause of Our Lord and Master, you may be assured that my heart has ever been with you & that you all have been in most kindly remembered.

Saint Louis Arsenal,
Nov. 12, 1860

...
Often often have I endeavored to
thank the Giver of all good things for
the many kind friends I had at the
point — for their goodness to me — their
encouragement & support, among the
many trials & temptations common to
the young man, when thrown far away
from the gentle influence of home, to
among so many of his own age & in-
experience — & then I feel much un-
doubtedly — living in all these healthy influences of their teaching & society, the kind
providence of our Heavenly Father.
Would that I could influence every young
man that goes to the Academy to go to
Pine for Counsel — & especially would I
have every young Christian that may
erally, commence at once to
engage actively in the labors of the
Gospel, with these — declare themselves
on the Lord’s side before all — taking
a part in the Prayer meeting, the Bible-class

The Sunday School, show that true
interest in it, am determined to work
for the Cause of Christ — for the salvation
of souls. You will know the dangers of
waiting — too often alas is the delay fatal.

I was grateful to learn from Mr. Hamilton
of the success of the Prayer meeting. Though
the information of its success on the part
of some persons I entertain much regret
cause some sad jealous proceedings.
May they be constrained by the grace of
God, to the greater thanksgiving of our
Precious Lord, to return again & to
realize rich blessings. Thus join
I send in the Pastoral of our Church, a
most worthy Christian, I advocate friends.
His integrity & earnestness in his labors is all
to him, with the sacred ties of love &
friendship — Oh indeed it is record
courageous & receiving them as his talk of
his faith in Jesus. Tell us that in Christ
alone is our Salvation — He is plain
How will greet my kindest regards to Mrs. Anderson & family.- One of them - oh never can I forget those good people. Ever so kind & good to me. I have commended two or three letters to Mrs. A but could never deem to point them.

Remember me to Prof. Hewitt most kindly. - I hope you are all my friends. Present my kind regards to Miss Annie Gray & brother.

May the Lord bless you & yours according to His own goodness.

Your aff. friend,

Mrs. H. Wright

St. C. Howard
West Point
N.Y.

Do write to me. I should like so much to talk a good deal to you.

P. H. W.
And our country towards which the eyes of all Christians are turned, upon which the advancement of the Gospel would appear, in the Providence of Heaven, so much depends. Oh, who can contemplate its destruction, without feelings of the deepest sadness and sorrow?

I must confess that I fear the consequences. I see no just cause for assent—nor for any trouble—but God today. The good passions of mankind from being aroused, the spirit, may lead to much evil. There will be division of some of the States. Mark my words. Let this caution at the idea as they may, I believe it. What is may lead to, who can tell?

But I am running on here too far. I would claim my love to your kind lady. To those dear little ones. May nurse and nurse your family.
Dear Mr. Howard,

After so long a delay I have at last been able to complete your picture, and I know send, trusting you will receive it safely. I hope it may please you.

I don't scruple to tell you now if it should not:

I have been writing a long letter to Charles. Trying to make amends for my conduct, but will not close it till I shall have seen you.

Yours very respectfully,

J. F. War
My dear sire,

New York, Nov. 17, 1860

Your kind favor of 7th inst. was duly received. Thanks you and your excellent wife for your kind sympathy. To part with children is a severe trial but to be resigned to the will of our Maker is our duty. There was a great preparation on the part of my daughter for the event and we have confidence that she is in for the better with her new friends. We trust as we would if the case was 67. hope ful.

I am glad to learn that you continue the good work among those with whom you dwell. May God bless your efforts in his service. It would do all times give us pleasure to see you and your lady at our home, which although not quite so cheerful
at when Marius was present, is not made gloomy by the event of her removal.

My mother is Law, Miss Edith from Savannah to my son and
dughter, Mrs. Floyd are
with us but still we have
plenty of room and not only
happy but desiring of having
the visits of our old friends
when convenient for them
to come here as
Recovering as ever
from abrupt sickness
H. Pepper

Yours O. Howard
West Points
I had never felt before, I wished to serve Christ and to be a led by our Master. I for morning, after, at one of our Sunday prayer meetings, I was asked to lead in prayer. It took an active part as a Christian, striving to do what I considered my duty. But since I sought to be it, I did many things which were inconsistent with my profession. If I had not come to the Academy, I should have studied with the Ministerial Professor in view. If it is the will of my Master, that I graduate here, so soon as I shall have served three years, it is my intention to resign and enter the Ministry. And maybe for me for this great work? All you much safe to me your prayers to this end? Through fear of wronging I have abridged very much, I close remaining,

Yours in Christian fellowship,

R. Nelson

West Point, N. York

Nov. 18, 1837

Mr. Howard:

dear sir: in compliance with the request you made of me, to write to you some account of the manner in which it pleased God to touch my heart and make me sensible of my duty to him, I now pen this. During the great outpouring of the Spirit in 1837, there was a considerable awakening in the town in which I reside. Old Professor of Religion had their hearts warmed, and became rigorous for the salvation of their impenitent friends. In this way, and by various other means seems to have brought to examine myself. But a habit which I had formed of avoiding religious persons, because I feared they would converse with me upon religious topics, and of driving away sermons thought otherwise they would arise, made their self-con
ominvention of no avail, to avail, I said. It
should have been no avail. For from what
then was wrought in my heart, it broke off the
use of profane language, to which I had hitherto
been dangerously addicted. Some few days
after, a friend obtained for me the situation of a
teacher in a high school, the Principal of
which was Rev. L. A. Stueck, son of Rev. J. G. Stueck,
former Missionary to China. A few weeks after
entering upon the discharge of my duties as a
teacher, God in His infinite goodness saw fit to
reveal His work in the town in which I was
residing. For nearly a week, this awakening seem-
ed to extend no further than to the hearts of pro-
fessing Christians, and one or two persons who
were acting what they should do to be saved.
On Friday evening of the week it was witnessed
that the earnest prayers had not been in vain.
Some seven or eight going men, presented them-
tself to be prayed for. Dr. Solly, whom I never shall forget,
was sitting by me. He whispered to me that when
was the accepted time, and asked if I would
not seek Jesus too. I had been seriously reflect-
ing upon my lost condition for two or three
days. And shame was the only thing which had
restrained one from presenting myself for prayer.
I left my seat and proceeded to the front seat
which, those who desired that prayer should be
offered for them, had been requested to take.
After the close of the service, I went hometo
Mr. Solly. He conversed with me and pointed out
to me the way to the Saviour. I met with him
in prayer, and he earnestly supplicated God in
my behalf. He then retired to bed. Having passed
a very restless night, I arose early the next morning
and went to my room. I took my Bible and read
the promise Christ had made to all who would
come to Him in faith. I prayed that He would re-
cue me as His own. I read and prayed upon
my knees and wrote the Bible in my hand. I made the
resolution, that let others do as they might, for
me I would strive to serve God for the rest
of my life. From the moment of making this
resolution I felt a joyful calmness, such as
To D.R. November 1862

Dear此次函。

Our situation does not permit
the possibility of any writing to you and to
preclude any mention of anything from you I
was determined to write at the next mail.

Well I proceed to commence at home I am
greatly pleased with my good Christian wife and
almost perfect health my only issue fitted to
the time with both healthy.

One may reflect almost in a neutral way to
enter into a general description of this to
place. I need say little about the climate being
very much the same as the last time.

My home is a cheerful one and a
pleasant one.

You would ask what are you doing for
the public service I am.

One could not conceive a more delightful place
than this for which I shall continue to
enjoy.

The officers are either very kind and
considerate or very patient and all of them.

My commissary commander told me he thought it a
very fine body with all the men and he did not
mean any one giving these false and false the truth.
in the company was once a commandment, but now says. As concerning the velvet silk of her from Syraciim, to sell you can judge how pleasant she is. I am indebted spiritually and pecuniary to my wife, therefore I pray you to report to your wife of the religion of my parents.

I am writing to you in confidence some must say. I am satisfied, in the affairs of the land, I am a friend of the idol from these. I am as a teacher, and religion and a teacher, and even a statue are divided about their religious feelings. I have known some men during the Sabbath and the sons of God. I am a friend of their souls. I am not prepared to leave the earth at present, but I shall soon do so, and it seems strange to do not find it any place. To remain where all is spread to the earth. Does not come into the camp bell of love for the end of Christ, such as the teacher said, and the multitude of the rich and needy. He had spent time in reading and fitting the three old ladies and many, and through in the camp he would do a good work. He made these sounds not only talk, but she is not off from all religious training and concern. My health diminished or I should not have joined my company here. I hope we will.

get and I want my wife should see you, above all she should know. There is work and no other. She is a friend of the earth. I am not complaining because it is long for the earth. If a sick man, active souls do I feel I am growing cold and any worldly, a more than a human spirit. To answer me, I was cold, cold. I do not find that supports me longer. God has not shown it to my service. I know it well. A friend of Jesus must come, his soul must be kept alone by something with hundred souls.

I have written the letters of my heart. I am lost in your progress. Remember me to all. Please God help you and yours.

John, friend in Christ.

Love, C. O. H. Raymond

U.S. A.
Should I be filled with the fear of
The ominous prediction of coming
Civil war, hatred, controversy,
Terrorism, lawless conduct, a shattered confidence,
Growing in fragments, around different
centers. I suspect we shall exchange
Peace & comfort. The immenial
Blessings for the multitude know that
The foolish state is states which
Constitution the disturbances will
Suffer the most & lose in the very thing
most desired. "the extension of slavery"
for they would have any where to extend
except over the same wilds of Africa.
But as I said the storm holds the storm
in his own hands & can dispose of
Curb the madness of foolish men.

We are quite well. The children
Happy & growing - I wish Seeds
will have a refreshing season
from the Lord this winter. Continue
to pray for me dear Mother.

I have had a letter from Clara, for Son

Billin' Muskland have written lately.
 Places, How beautiful is this world and its surroundings! How rich the provisions God has made for his children! How much of comfort and blessing I am permitted to have, and yet it is only now and then that a grateful impulse springs from my heart to the Great Giver; and moreover we find that from our gratitude when we have it is the offspring of the Holy Spirit, or at least induced by his effect as the blessed presence. This if ever came, let us enjoy every blessing of Divine Providence, looking as in an overflowing part of a blessing in Heaven. Last Sunday, our Lady was forward in Baptism. Caleb Andrews. The prayer meeting of tonight was a good one. Some of the prayers were more than usually earnest and in many ways an answer for great expectations. I expect there is some political excitement existing.

Concerning the young men. The South Carolina delegation have just published in the Herald the notice of a meeting amongst themselves. You would judge them filled with State patriotism. I think they had made a great sacrifice in leaving. Twice of them at least (or don't think there are more than those in all) are utterly completely deficient to stand a fair chance of being pronounced so as the deeply. I can mention it is very laborious in them to write at this juncture. If South Carolina's young are doing hurt the country more than the resignation of deficient leaders must. Here Poin. The matter so much talked of will be a blessing, unless other States get crazy too. Our assassinated policy. Murder is in store for us. God will make our losses to countries 1. in the end will choose all counsels to return to its glory. If I did not have the confidence, I
I am very anxious for him to accept a
job near where he can study. When he
returns to college, please let me know
how he is getting along. My dear brother,

I have been expecting a letter from you and your family. How are you?
I wrote to Mr. and Mrs. Stoneman and my letter was returned. I have not
heard from them. I hope you have been well. Please tell me about your
work and how you are getting on. I am sorry to hear that Mr. and Mrs.
Dennett are not well. I hope they will be well soon.

I am very much interested in your school. I am sorry that you have
not heard from me. Please tell me if you need any help.

We hope to see you soon. I shall write soon and tell you all about our
family.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
by Prof. Paull upon Mental and Moral Philosophy. He is closing up the course
now with two or three upon Psychology which the rest only demonstrated (appropri-
ately) by argument but Pies responsibility with ridicule. Nellie will take the
place of me after Thanksgiving.

On the P. M. we have one exercise in
Greek - the Homily of the New Testament.

Prof. Smith conducts this - kept open with
a brief but pleasant prayer & question
subjoined upon the meaning in the mean-
ing of a Bible class of a Sabbath School.

You would enjoy that exceedingly.

My son in the Chapel was very well with
three hymns in hayly. My son met
me the young man of my acquaintance
that I would have chosen for the
head of the society - with the
exception of my brother. Our room
is now the fourth Eastern corner - some

had the hear all day. Yesterday, and today, the sun has been cold like Winter
Wallingford, N.Y.
Thanksgiving Day
Nov. 29, 1860

My dear Brother

Rev. Mr. Fuller from all of Wayne is our Methodist min-
ister here. I marched the 3rd today—all denominations uniting on such occasions. I knew you
will recall his manner.

He gave us a very good sermon, rather dog-
ing the conclusion topics of the day. A boy, just

came & offered Mrs. Butcher a ride, but at
the very busy. She took her place. Our church
is this day an old & quiet.
good = One of my parishioners who has been sick.
This year gives very conclusive evidence of a change of heart. She is very happy to make a change
concerning all the visits here. I attended her grandmother's funeral at the same house last Sunday.
I declined Mother's invitation to go home today as I wished to be with my people. Belle is at home
but is to go to Boston this week. I believe I suppose Mother has written you of
tamas mishap. Her baby was not alive. She was better and recovering herself.

How delightful it would have been for their old age if God would have continued the life of their
child. But he had some better purpose.
not be afraid of my own working. The danger is the other way. The temptations of my beautiful home are very great. I am too little at my table (study) & too little among my people. Many of whom are sick. If Mr. Grey's health is sufficiently recovered, I hope you will get his statement & prescription. I am daily visiting those sick with diphtheria & the only remedy of the disease here is burning, & if I take the disease, & do not hear from you, I must submit & that. No one has greater reason to praise God living than I here. No one. Our subject in Meeting last evening was the act of praise. It seemed to be knelt to.
Mr. Abbott called around 8. I gave them a big kind regards. They are
in New York just came from Boston. M. M. are indebted to them for
the celery and cranberries for
un Thanksgiving dinner. M.
The way is very kind
and all his relations. We need
more. I fear that your Sarah will
not have my letter. Her
other hands. Do you hear
from her? Tell Guy. We
should have a place to live.
Tell if he come here to
Washington. Ella + I have
to do it. Not our that's not best here
or have been so the ice yet.
Grads are to have quite a
Company to tea tonight.

I expect a missionary this

next Monday,

for me. We are to have a Mission

Convention at L. W. T. Every-thing

in the faith that the

"sorim must 2 gill the

present." If he can

refuse to allow certain

funds collected. He must also

made to submit even at the

cost of how. As much as

that is to be deplored.

I am greatly, in many

cases, a stranger Central Government

to go. might go joyfully

and me bid her. do it. but

precedents need not be

admirable. Tell me.

What was just across the street.
from us a gentleman (Mr. Abbott) has got a great black bear he has a home for himself. He is asleep now and will not awake like spring. They have been a K.R. for him boys to hide them in the summer. But they won't need it now. I think you have got along well in the new with us can use that It together some day. That is a good time we will have God willing when you all come to see us next summer. Ella is the one in the room have a message to send. God bless you all and give you health over flowing with Thanksgiving and praise. NewSwift the neighbors have a dog. Good bless Carter is sick of Diphtheria. Living. Rawland.