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Gen O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

Rev. Dr. Mevius. having heard
that you kindly offered us a chance to
lay our heads when homeless, at the
Garrison at the Dallas has requested a
letter to you to enquire if you would
allow him to place his library in one of
the ^{unoccupied} rooms and the privilege of occupying it
himself and also some place for his hall
if the request or your granting it is consistent
with your views. If you can do so please
address Dr. M. at the Dallas with your
decision and oblige yours truly

J. S. Lang

Rev. Dr. Mevius
Oct 1st 1875

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Gen O. O. Howard

Dear Sir

Rev. Dr. Hovey. having heard
that you kindly offered us a chance to
examine books when housed at the
Library at the College has requested a
letter to you to enquire if you would
allow him to place his library in one of
the rooms and the privilege of occupying it
himself and also some place for his son
if the request or your granting it is consistent
with your views. If you could so please
address Dr. H. at the College with your
decision and office hours. Very
Truly
Yours

Ans. by Capt. W.
Oct 6th 1876

Fort Walla Walla W. T.

Sunday Oct 1875

10 a.m. The Capt. rests very well nearly all night. Is at present entirely devoid of pain - but restless on account of continued constraint by lying in same position. Letter received by last night's mail. Appetite is not as good today as yesterday. Has just fallen into a sound sleep.

4 P.M. Rests quite easily but is unable to sleep - Will undoubtedly pass a quiet night. Eats well. This afternoon and suffers no pain.

St. Bonns.

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ST. LOUIS BOLT & IRON CO.

Office, Republican Building, Third & Chestnut Streets,

St. Louis, Oct 2 1875

My dear General,

Your letter signed
by Lt Haden A.D.C. has
come to hand - Quite
anxious to see the report
it is possible that my memory
may be refreshed sufficiently
to give a few essential data.

You will remember General,
that when you assumed command
of the 1st Corps with the 11th
on the death of Gen Reynolds
I remained with the Corps staff.

Should I see General Henry

St. Louis, Oct 2 1872

My dear General,
I have the pleasure
to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 29th
inst. in relation to the
report of the Committee
on the State of the
Union, and in reply to
advise you that the
same has been forwarded
to the proper authorities
for their consideration.
Very respectfully,
J. M. McKim

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St. Louis, 187

shortly, I will talk it over
with him and we may
eliminate some facts which
at the moment have escaped
my memory.

Trusting you and your
family are enjoying the
best health. I am,

very truly yours,

G. A. Heynburg

Em O. Board

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My dear Mr. Jones,
I am very glad to hear
that you are well and
hope you are enjoying the
autumn weather.
I am very truly yours,
Wm. L. Brown

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H. O. O.

Portland, Oct. 2, 1876.

Rev. O. W. Howard,

Dear Sir;

A course of six lectures being contemplated for the benefit of the First Cong'l Church, we desire to know if you will consent to furnish one.

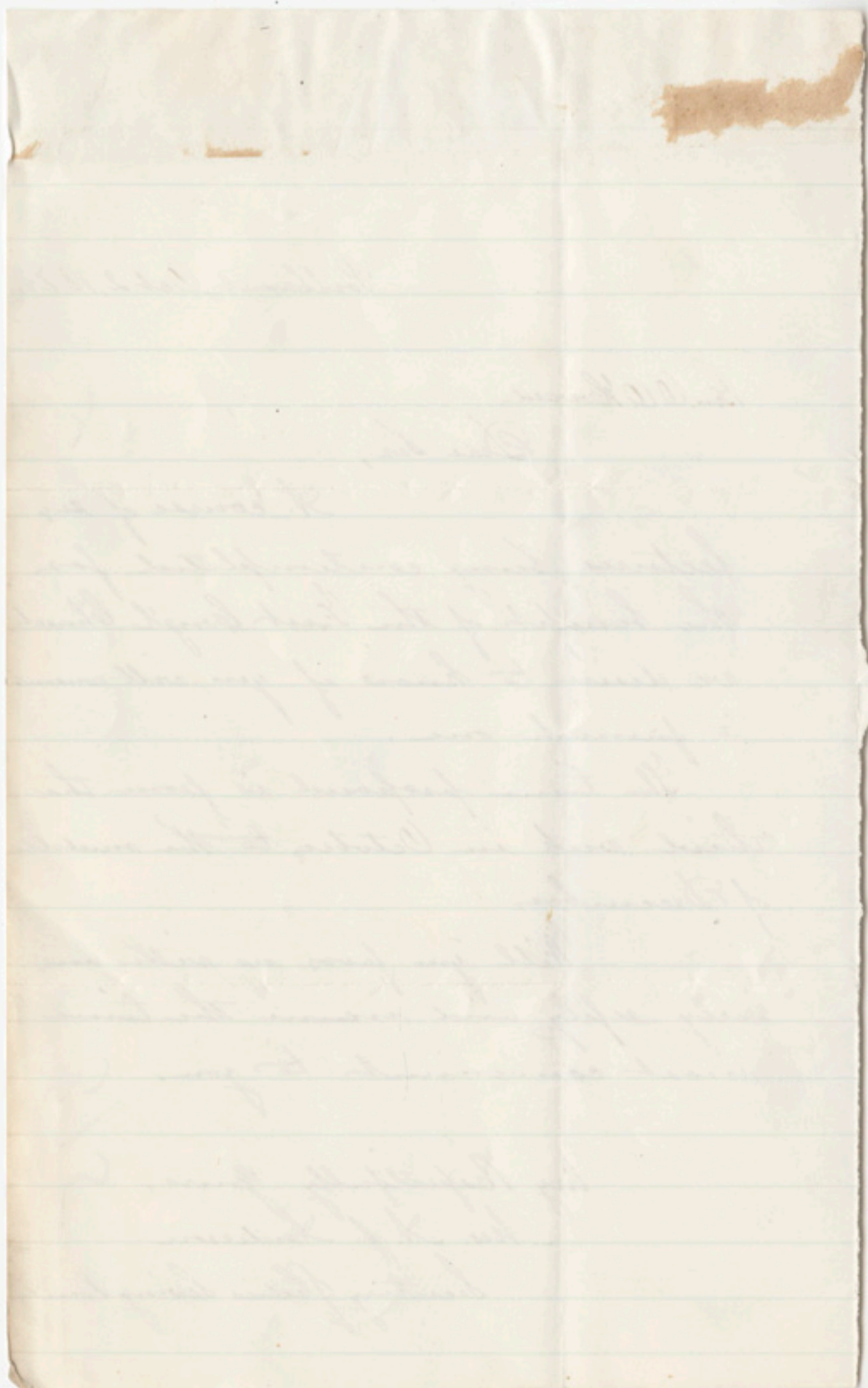
The time proposed is from the third week in October to the middle of December.

Will you favor us with an early reply and name the time most convenient to you.

Very Respectfully Yours,

Mrs. A. F. Anderson

Secretary Ladies Sewing Society.



Chicago Oct 2nd 1875

Brig. Gen. O. O. Howard Esq.

Portland Oregon

Dear Sir

Will you kindly-
favor me with your "autograph" on the en-
closed slips and greatly oblige.

Yours Respectfully

H. S. Vail

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Chicago Oct 20 1875

Prof. Geo. C. Howard Esq.

Portland Oregon

Dear Sir

Will you kindly
forward me with your photograph and
check slips and pretty things

Yours Respectfully

W. A. Yale

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sent Oct 20, 75

Dear General

[ca-Oct 5, 1875]

In Washington 29th General
Bryntun to take up the Alaska
matter. Some a long letter will appear

A VALUABLE REPORT ON ALASKA BY GEN.
HOWARD.

Gen. Howard has made a very full and valuable report to the War Department upon the condition, wants, and resources of Alaska. It is the most complete paper on that country which has come into the possession of the Government since this purchase. The unfortunate state of the people, owing to a want of all civil government, is set forth at length. The people are virtually outlaws, and there is no protection for life. Gen. Howard represents the mineral resources of the country as very promising, and the supply of valuable timber as unlimited. But no lands can be entered, or mine worked to advantage, and none of the timber can be cut. The decision of ex-Attorney-General Williams that Alaska was an Indian Territory really banished all persons except the military and the Indians, and it became the duty of the Indian Agent, a military officer, to compel all traders to leave the Territory. Gen. Howard urges that a part at least of the machinery of Territorial government be set up; that a magistrate be appointed in each county; that courts of record be established, and that means be provided for entering lands. He wants the country thrown open to trade, and thinks the Government should extend full protection to the natives. If Congress does not desire to make it a Territory, he advises that it be attached as a county to Washington Territory, so that the jurisdiction of that Territory may be thus extended over Alaska. His report is not invariable to the Alaska Seal Fur Company, and considerable space is devoted to this branch of the subject.

THE LOSS OF THE SARANAC.

It now appears that the United States steamer Saranac was lost on the coast of British Columbia, through a plain violation of the sailing directions of the Coast Survey, which order that the straits where the steamer struck should only be passed at certain conditions of the tide. In spite of this the Saranac attempted to make the passage at the wrong time. The court of inquiry is now in session in regard to the matter at Mare Island, California.

Have been about your report and
pamphlet, every way favorable. The
enclosed copy of the Tribune to
New York Tribune. Regards to all
over
James Tappan

B. said it gave him the greatest
pleasure to say something in favor
of you, and he would do his utmost
with your report &c

Yours by Sea.
Oct 30. 95



Received Oct. 23, 1875

Mudville, Oct. 6. 1875.

General Howard:

My Dear Sir: Your note addressed to my publisher, bearing upon my account of the battle of Gettysburg, has been received. But scarcely had it been read, before I noticed it in the New York Herald. I was intending to have answered your note point by point in a private way; but as you have seen fit to rush into print with it before I have had the opportunity, my only alternative is to respond ^{through} the same channel.

There is one assumption which you make that is entirely at variance with the fact: viz that I have received information from individual officers. But I can assure you that I do not know a single Corps commander nor any member of any one of their staffs; nor had I, when the ~~Mr. S.~~ ³ ~~that~~ history was prepared even had a

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A. W. S. 75

word of communication with any one of them upon the subject of the battle. Neither have I ever held any communication with any general officer who fought there except Generals Greary and Kane and with them never had conference upon any matter concerning the management of the battle - only an occasional incident. I did once have a few minutes with Major Harry T. Lee on the field, but only in a casual way and only regarding incidents.

My knowledge of the battle was gained exclusively from official papers and documentary evidence, and a thorough study of the field by frequent visits. You must ^{therefore} do me the justice to believe that I have not been influenced by a single human being, not having had a word of conference with one upon the subject of the battle, further than an occasional incident.

I can assure you that I entered upon the study of the subject and the writing with no feeling for or against a single soldier who fought

there, and that nothing would give me greater pain than to be convinced that I have done any man a serious injustice; nor is there one who would go further to correct such an error.

On the other hand I should despise myself, if, while claiming to speak impartially, I should shield any from merited reproach.

Very Truly, Yours.

Samuel P. Bates.

Brig. Gen. C.C. Howard.

Portland, Oregon.

Spokane Falls, W.T. Oct. 7 1875.

Brig. Gen. O.O. Howard:

Dear Bro: Your favor of the 28th Sept. is at hand. Be assured it was far from my thought to ascribe any intention of detriment to our work as the result of our pleasant interview at the Bridge. Only one thoroughly familiar with the state of affairs among us could have anticipated any drawback resulting from the revival of the reservation question. It is only Garry's faith in your influence as a "great chief" with the authorities at Washington which gives him the impression that his earnest desire for a reservation will be granted. And his ideas of the benefit of a reserve are derived from his observation of matters on the Nez Percés and Umatilla reservations.

No, General, the interview you so kindly arranged for us, was meant for our greatest good, and I shall yet look for much good resulting from it. There is temporary anticipation of much that Gov't will do for the Spokans, which they are able, and which they

ought to be for themselves, there is consequent relaxation of effort; but if it is made apparent that some action is necessary in the direction of gathering into narrower bounds these scattered natives, constraining them to remain at home and cultivate their farms, and putting upon them some degree of firm authority in government, - if these results can be accomplished by ~~what~~ the knowledge you gained during your visit, - then the growing conviction which I have been gathering by experience of the necessity of some such arrangement, will have to allow of some temporary disadvantages.

The same mail which brought your letter, brought information also of the exhaustion of the "Civilization fund" and the consequent deficit of fifty dollars on my quarters salary, together with word that there is no provision by the Dept for the continuation of the service among the Spokans. I write to Dr. Lindsley by this mail of the matter, and hope something may be done to continue ^{the work}. I hope to begin school the last of this mo.

With sentiments of highest esteem

Yours in Christ
H. T. Conley

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY,

OFFICE OF SECRETARY and TREASURER,

Washington, D. C., Oct 9th 1875

Maj. Gen. Howard,

My Dear Friend,

A few of our students have reported results of their work during the last year & some hundreds have been brought into the church under their ministry.

I did not reply to your letter in the summer, as I could not write definitely - The theological department is open again, as Dr. Butler expresses it, "it has had a new birth" - We offered to leave it, when they said they could do nothing to sustain it, & that it would be abandoned. So matters stood. After anxious consideration, believing the work is of God, I concluded to go forward. The Committee agree to provide \$500.[#] for its support. All else must be raised. How we shall come out remains to be seen. I want \$2000. more for its support. Drs. Butler, Noble & Rankin, & Rev. Mr. Brown are to instruct, & I give my whole time to it. (There is some doubt, possibly, about Dr. Rankin's instructing. He wishes to, if he possibly can) - I ought to be here constantly, but will have to make some effort for money. We have seventeen students, a larger number than at this time last year, which I think remarkable, considering the uncertainties of the summer. # Of which the Amer. Miss. asso. give \$250.

My Correspondence indicates the number will be
very much increased - The Law Department
has run down to two - probably a third one will
be added. Prof. Bascom & Mr. Cook are the Insti-
tutors. Mr. Bascom's salary is paid for and by the
College & Law Department - Mr. Cook depends on
tuition fees for what he receives - The colored peo-
ple are well satisfied with the Institution & with
the course of its affairs. It is in a far better
condition internally than it has been -

How cannot you write some of your friends
to aid me. Would not Mr. Field & some others
to whom you have before appealed, send some
pounds to the Treasurer for this Department? I need
help from all the friends of the special work of this
Department, for, as you see, we ~~are~~ have not begun
on any human promises - I must go to N. York
the ^{middle} last of next month - Can you introduce me to any
there who would help? But your letters direct to some would
bring help. I am glad to learn of your joys over your two
sons brought into the Church - My two children made profession
of their faith last May. I think the indications
here are favorable in very many of our Churches -
How greatly our land needs a visitation of divine
grace - Shall we not soon witness it?
My very kind regards to Mrs. Howard - Let
me hear from you - As ever Yours
Loring Westcott -

No. 2.

Oregon Steam Navigation Company's Telegraph.

Fort Walla Walla, Oct. 12th 1876

To Mrs O. O. Howard.

Portland, Oregon.

Sladen fractured his leg, not dangerous.
Send his wife and baby with an officer.
See that she has money and pass. He fears
to frighten her.

(Signed) O. O. Howard.

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Oregon Steam Navigation Company's Telegraph.

Fort Walla Walla, Oct. 15th 1875

To Mrs O. O. Howard.

Portland, Oregon.

Blackie fractured his leg, was dangerous.
 And his wife and baby with an officer.
 See that she has money and pass. He fears
 to frighten her.

(Signed) O. O. Howard.

Yours truly



Fort. Sum. S.C.
Oct. 13. 1875.

General.

I am sorry to trouble
you so much with my
private affairs; but I
understand from Col. Keeton
that my application for leave
will probably not be acted
upon until St. Russ' case
is disposed of. It appears
the War Dept. has ordered
Mr. Russ to go in or resign
at once, now whether my
leave will be granted regard-
less of St. Russ going in or
resigning is a question
worth asking: -

Would you object informing
the War Dept. by telegraph ^(at my expense)
that you could furnish

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An Officer During my absence.
Had I not known that
you were willing to supply
An Officer I should
not for a moment
take it upon myself to
make such a suggestion.

I am very anxious to
get away some time
in November or before
Winter sets in too soon.

Very respectfully
Yours truly
John M. Downing
Capt. U.S. A.

To Brig. Genl. O. O. Howard
Comd. Dept. Columbia
Portland, O.

Oct. 12 1875.

I do not think ask
by the Other that you
may often hear from
us, and be assured
that Mowat maintains
to spirit dignity in
spite of the news paper.

There are now 350
miners here awaiting
passage below, but they
are so greatly and orderly
as a like number of

Ans by Gen
Lt —



quakers. There has
been no sign of objection
or disturbance of any
sort since the ouster
of the Sanderson. Many
deserted party. In fact
many of these frontiers
men are intelligent, well
disposed persons, who
opposite order, and are
as zealous in the St.
cause as I
can be in regarding
it. Miners all like
their gov. however,
and not a few would

be slow to hear of
the failure of the Cause
to sustain my exertions.

The Thickers are now
mostly here from the
mines, now, this of
the river being about
to close.

We look for the
California daily.

The Other Side of
S. p. m.

Yours very truly

J. P. Sanderson

Gen. O. H. Mowry

Fort Walla Walla W.T.

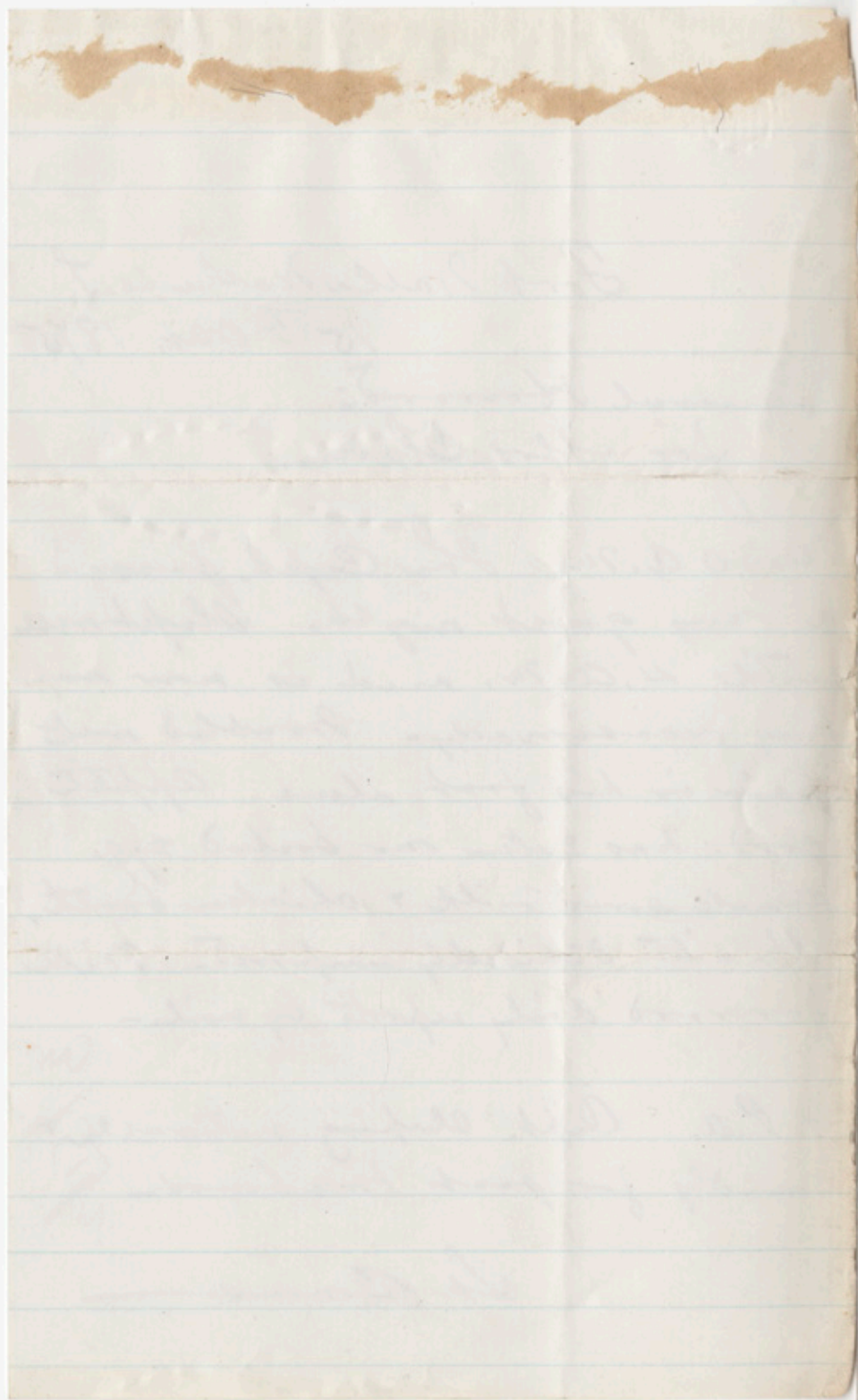
15th Oct. 1875

General Howard:
for Mrs. Gladen.

10.30 A.M. The Capt. passed
a very quiet night. Slept well
until 4 A.M. and is now nap-
ping occasionally. Troubled with
pain in his foot alone. Appetite
good. Has eaten one boiled egg.
Drank some milk & chicken broth.
Spirits decidedly improved. Will
forward daily reports by mail.

4 P.M. Capt. sleeping naturally &
soundly for past two hours.

St. Bonus



nevertheless, my dear
grandchildren, that no day
passes that you are not
in my heart and prayers
I never cease to see
any of you again, but
still am always with
you in spirit
Eliza Lyman
ugly enough, how long she will
bear up under it is uncertain, her children
all are now in school, Mr and Mrs Riggs
of the Sacota Mission are about
leaving here for their home among
the Indians they have a smart little
boy of 15 months to take through a
long and disagreeable journey, I
trust the Master will go along with
them she is full of her bright
and cheerful ways as ever, letters came
thick and fast from her father and
mother, during the time she has been
here, full of encouraging cheer, two
young women from Iowa presented
themselves to the Board of Miss, and
were accepted, to go home with
Mr and Mrs Riggs, Miss Bishop
their former help died last week
at her home in Minnesota, her sickness

never brought on by over work at the mission, (Miss Bishop)

I am much
obliged to you for
picture, I have one
to send of
my own
to you
L. J.

My dear Son, this.

Recd Oct 26/75
Glencoe, Oct. 15th 1875.

I am very happy to
tell you, that Grace's letter of Sept, 28th was
duly received for which I thank her very
much, and her Mother's sometime
since with the drawing of the house
which you occupy, it is very gratifying to
me to have some idea of the house you
occupy, and I am, you don't know how
much, gratified when ever you drop me
a few lines, or send me one of your
lectures, or a paper containing a synopsis
of your addresses, I know ^{then} that your
heart is yet warm in a good cause,
I am glad Gamie and Chaney have
been enabled to fix their hearts on
the Saviour, and to acknowledge
that heart felt joy before the world.
I hope they will live in daily communion
with their Saviour, and seek his help
to resist temptations, that will wound

the Cause they have loved and professed
if they truly and heartily ask his
help it will be easy to withstand
temptations. Jesus will direct their
conscience. K. B. L. has gone to Maine
to be gone about a month, he is
probably with his family to stay
and ^{fix} their plans for the winter
preach at Farmington tomorrow
the 12th he is to attend a convention
in the State of New York, and the 10th
of November the ^{State} Congregational association
at in Connecticut. after that time he
will probably be in Chicago again
unless Charles makes some other plan
we have had ^{the} meeting of the American
board of missions in Chicago, it seemed
like a big Army of leading men in
Christ's Kingdom, and I trust, from that
time, the true followers of our Lord
and master will greatly increase
Charles, has had ^{his} Extra's published, giving

his Subscribers a full and better idea
of the meetings than he could have
done in his weekly publication.
I had a letter from Laura Mower, a
day or two since, she has lately become
a grandmother, Eva who has remained
with her parents since her Marriage
of some five years, ^{her} a young daughter
and Emma has one two years old
Louise in mentioning Mr Salmon
= Brewster's helpless state by Paralysis
is lead to say many are tired of
this life, but I thought, I trust, her
patience will hold out to the end,
Mr Brewster is paralyzed all of
one side, he is seventy three years old
the last Lewiston Journal announced
the death of Charles ~~W~~ Knapp aged 84 ^{years}
of Leeds, I have just received a long
letter from Kodelphus, he is in about
the same circumstances as when I
left him in April, his wife has an