

[Aug, 1878]

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Dearest Capt Wilkinson

sends me word that he  
will leave in the morning  
I wrote you yesterday but  
this may reach you first.  
I wrote in that about Jamie's  
going east, I hope you  
will get home before he  
has to go, not only on that  
account, the sooner the work  
is over the better. I have not  
said a word to Jamie about  
going East or where I wish  
him to go, <sup>to report</sup> if he has to go,  
but he said the other day  
after examining the catalogue  
from Hallowell, that he would  
prefer to go to Andover. Ever

and I had concluded that  
Andover would be a thousand  
times better than Hallowell.  
He must go where there are all  
boys, and not have perfect  
freedom to visit in society.  
He would at Andover learn  
to keep in the back ground  
in this respect on account of  
the one in which all stand  
in respect to the "Farm Law"  
He would not study too hard  
and be kept from society all  
together anyway, I find over  
five hundred dollars on  
deposit, so have enough for  
James' fare East if he goes,  
and you are not here, This  
is about what I have

with in the letter that

written in the letter that  
goes with this by mail,  
We are all very well. Bessie  
a little ailing a few days  
last week. I hope to ride  
up to the Garrison after dinner  
to see Wilkenson. I forgot  
to say that yesterday's mail  
brought a very pleasant note  
from Mr Bancroft, Paris at  
Andover <sup>to you</sup> saying he "hoped you  
would come to them."  
He had a word with you about  
it &c. I can enclose the note,  
or putting all these things together  
I do think that is the place  
for him. Your own  
Lizzie

Mrs. Rowland.

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Eng New, O. O. Howard

Dr Sir

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I send you  
The enclosed Hoping you will approve  
of the Vouchers and hand them to proper  
persons for Payment. My Tel of<sup>c</sup> was  
not recognized by the Paymaster and  
I am paying out of the money. Sent  
you message to have them taken up same  
as Boer's Business. No reply. Previous  
message was not delivered sent it via  
Walla Walla to you at Cascade =

Consequently I will send  
them to the Adjt Genl Vancouver W.T.  
Please advise him to attend to them upon  
receipt. They are counted in full by  
our Genl the former address many times  
counted when sent via Baker lately from  
the Adjt. Baker lately not being counted  
Please see that the Adjt does not know the  
date of as I would be out a great deal  
if so done as the Company had me  
good for it all

Respy Your Friend & Servt

W. O. Parren

W. D. Farren

Aug. 2<sup>d</sup>, 1878

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Cinc<sup>o</sup> Ohio Aug 1<sup>st</sup> 1878  
Maj. Gen. O. O. Howard

Pendleton

Dear Sir:

Or.

Enclosed find  
a letter addressed to Don Felizi  
J. Moreno.

Understanding that he is at the  
present time in your employ as a  
bearer of dispatches and scout, as the  
letter is of business and very important  
that he should receive it. From letters  
received he was at Pendleton  
Umatilla Co. Oregon. Hoping that you  
will have the kindness to see that  
he receives it with out delay.

I have the honor to be

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Yours very Respectfully  
John A. Leaman

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If there is anything to be learned of the  
out-of-door by your movements, it must be  
by those who are present with you for  
your flash over the country like a ~~stroke~~  
of lightning, now obscured, and then again  
flashing up from some totally unexpected  
quarter.

When you got into the vicinity of  
John Day, the first time I anticipated your  
coming to the Columbia river, by ordering  
Bell to send supplies to Elilo that they  
might be thrown anywhere that they were  
most needed. They were not at once called  
for, but have now been utilized by the  
troops under Wheaton. Remember that I  
am now free, and pray, use me in any  
way you see fit. I wish I were with  
you. I believe I could travel as well as  
any of you. Love to you all, especially  
Wood. Yours are well, and soon Jamie -  
will say good-bye. Wickerson and wife are  
at your house. Yours truly

Sladen

Headquarters Department of Columbia,

General Howard:

Port Vancouver, W. T. Aug 4<sup>th</sup> 1878.

Dear General:

Major Wickerson arrived yesterday.  
His assignment to find out & relieve Maj. Wood from  
the Department. The telegram assigning \$15,000  
to this post does not relieve Gen. Donnell from  
embarrassment quite, for \$10,000 is for your  
house and \$5,000 for necessary alterations at the  
post. Now the question of keeping a large garrison  
here is not one of accommodation for the soldiers,  
it is one of officers quarters solely. These men have  
been kept here comfortably to the extent of six  
companies and the same buildings are still  
available. Not one of them has been occupied  
or touched by Dept. Adams. But the trouble  
anticipated is in reference to officers quarters.

There are now six sets of long quarters occupied  
as follows: one set each by Gen. Eaton, Col. Mason,  
Dr. McWilliam, Captain Pollock, and Sladen, and  
one set occupied by two families viz. Lieut's  
Hampden and Looman. Then there are four

Cottages, so-called, occupied by Captains  
Benton, Hemeny, Boyle and Lewis. Wilkinson  
occupies the little yellow shanty at the corner  
next <sup>and opposite to the old chapel -</sup> the Cemetery. Benton goes on recruiting  
service but that makes room only for  
Wilkinson. If Bell comes over, as has  
been recommended by the Commissary General,  
there is no room for him. Major Reynolds  
is only on temporary duty in Portland and  
it looks as if he must come when the 100  
Pence Claws are paid. Major Babbitt  
is entirely unprovided, as is Lieut. Wood. Three  
of the officers of the regular garrison now in the  
field, there are Joellyn Stone, Colman, Bailey,  
Williams, and Chapin, and Lieut. Ross soon  
to come, who are without a single room.

If General Saxtelle had got, or could get,  
authority to build he could have habitable  
houses in a little over sixty days, but from  
General McDowell's letter, followed by the  
telegram, before ~~mentioned~~ to, I infer that he  
has either disapproved the building plans or

so endorsed them as to practically  
obey them. By his telegrams sent you, and  
by his letter of July 26, a copy of which has been  
forwarded, he seems to cling to the idea of  
reducing the command here to two ~~regiment~~ companies.

Gen. Sully, himself, has rather leaned  
towards that as a temporary expedient for  
the winter, but, of course, hopes to have a  
large garrison by and by. You will see that  
General McDowell says two companies for Stevens  
and only one for Leamy. This I think must  
be an error as the accommodations at Leamy  
are greater than those at Stevens, and, besides,  
it is a field-officers post. At General Sully's  
request, and in accordance with your instructions  
regarding Gen. Sully's wishes, I have relieved  
Captain Benton from duty in this Dept. that  
he might go on recruiting service. The reason  
for this hasty action is that the B. is  
urgent, and is to be completed about the last  
of next month and it was desirable for  
Benton to get to his new station soon.

Headquarters Department of the Columbia,  
FORT VANCOUVER, W. T., Aug 5<sup>th</sup> 1878

Dear General: I arrived here on Saturday  
3<sup>d</sup> and have employed every moment  
since I came in an endeavor to get  
posts so that I may be able to  
serve you intelligently. I don't know  
that I have succeeded, but I am ready  
to do my best. I believe I appreciate,  
to the fullest extent, the many difficulties  
with which you are surrounded, and  
it may be a pleasure for you to  
know that, so far as I am  
able to judge, the officers of the

Personal  
Gen. H.

for us with that charming ability which shows  
that, in all such matters, a lady ranks at  
least one grade above any known to our Service.  
I cannot but harbor thoughts of remaining  
any longer than our Sunday, and have arranged to  
go to a private house to-day, till our quarters are  
ready. With Captain Adams' able assistance I  
trust I get along so that your administrative  
task shall not embarrass you.

Very Sincerely,  
Bryant O. Howard  
Condoree  
In the Field.

Sincerely,  
J. M. Nickerson

Army, also appreciate them. In the  
conduct of the affairs under my charge,  
at your headquarters, I hope to be  
able to get along without troubling you  
more than absolutely necessary,  
and at the same time not use  
your name too freely. You can  
rely upon it that whatever I do  
I shall be actuated by a sincere  
desire to serve you, and the  
public interests loyally and faithfully.  
Mrs Howard, kindly took Mrs  
Nickerson, Horace, and myself to your  
home and, with her own large  
and charming family, has cared

Michigan Military Academy,

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

(OAKLAND COUNTY.)

ORCHARD LAKE, MICH.

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Aug 6<sup>th</sup> 1878.

General:

At the invitation of the  
lauded General Kellogg  
and many prominent citizens of this State,  
Major J. S. Rogers resigned  
his commission in the  
1st Infantry for the purpose  
of organizing and conducting  
the Michigan Military Academy  
at Orchard Lake. At that  
time, the universal sentiment  
was in favor of such an  
institution in the Northwest.  
Twelve months of unprecedented  
prosperity - has fully con-  
vinced his friends of the  
wisdom of this work.

Our most conservative people  
predict 1870 Cadet The  
Convincing year.

Well knowing your interest  
in all matters of education,  
and your prominent position  
in the Army, I write in  
his behalf, for encour-  
agement & advice. Permit  
me to request your opinion  
of Military discipline, as  
a means of fitting young  
men, not only for the  
class room, but, for  
after life. Please state  
your views with reference  
to the establishment of  
like schools in every State  
enjoying formal recognition,  
if not pecuniary benefits,  
therefrom.

Michigan Military Academy,

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

(OAKLAND COUNTY.)

ORCHARD LAKE, MICH.

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You are aware, General,  
that public sentiment  
is averse to a large  
standing army in times  
of peace: would it not,  
therefore, be wise to train  
our young men for  
possible emergency, in schools  
of this class?

You will pardon, I am  
sure, this tax upon your  
patience. Our best regards to  
Mrs. H. and family -  
I am,

Very Respectfully,  
Your Obedt. Servt.,  
H. H. Pierce,

Michigan Military Academy,

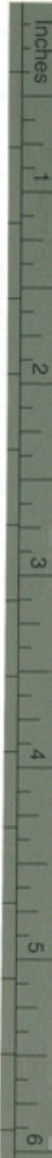
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

ORCHARD LAKE, MICH. (OAKLAND COUNTY), 187

You are ever, General,  
that public sentiment  
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of course; would it not  
therefore, be wise to  
our young men for  
provide employment, in that  
of the line,  
and you will find them  
and the best of them

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M. O. M.

Very respectfully,  
Wm. H. ...





Private Letter

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Baker City - Oregon

August 8, 1878

8.45 A.M.

Dear General,

I have just received Woods  
dispatch saying that as Genl. M<sup>r</sup>. W. has  
directed Ft. W. W. to be exclusively a Cavalry  
Post the General has decided to abolish all  
Districts after September 1<sup>st</sup> &c. &c.

Wilkinson handed me Woods letter last  
evening asking me to write you if under  
the altered condition of affairs I still  
desire to live at Walla Walla &c. &c.

I of course prefer a better station to the  
one I have, and am sorry that Genl. M<sup>r</sup>. W.  
does not seem to agree with the plans  
you had kindly made to recognize my  
rank &c. But making up my mind  
is to me and my friends an evidence that I  
have in some way failed to serve you satis-  
factorily, please tell me plainly General

Recd Aug. 11 file

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by a line before I leave Baker if this is so.

The order No 7. has not yet  
reached me. I have tried to answer  
you faithfully and most loyally, and  
am exceedingly anxious to have a line  
from you on this point. and to know  
whether after September 11 my command  
is to be less important than it was  
when this campaign began.

Yours faithfully

Frank S. Johnston

U.S.A.

General Howard

Comd'g Dept. - - -

Omaha City -

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Office of the Chief of Engineers,

Washington, D. C., Aug 8, 1878.

Brig. Gen. O. O. Howard, U.S.A.,  
Comd'g Dept of the Columbia,  
Fort Vancouver,  
Vancouver, Washington Ter.

Sir:

There are sent you, for your own use, by mail to-day, the following named Maps exhibiting some of the operations of the late war:

- 1. Atlanta Campaign, in 5 sheets.
- 2. Atlanta, Operations in front of
- 3. Chattanooga.
- 4. Franklin.
- 5. Knoxville.
- 6. Marches of the United States forces under General Sherman.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

A. A. Humphreys

Brig. General and Chief of Engineers,

Bvt. Major General.



Office of the Chief of Engineers

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Washington, D. C.

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There are sent you, for your own use by mail to-day, the following named things:

Kind send of the questions of the late war:

1. Atlanta Campaign, in 5 sheets.

2. Atlanta Campaign in front of

3. Chattanooga.

4. Franklin.

5. Knoxville.

6. Sketches of the United States Forces under General Sherman.

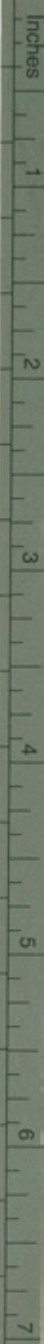
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Your obedient servant,

*[Faint handwritten signature]*

Chief of Engineers

Adj. Major General



letter claim to, knowing you  
had advised me there -

Even if commutation would pay  
me in the town, no house  
can be had I'm told, though I  
don't know positively. Altogether  
am greatly disappointed to find  
any bar to your kind intention  
tho, personal reasons aside, I can  
officially be of ten times more use to  
you there than at any other Post  
in that region. If those few  
ignis had only let James Sawyer  
alone all the White Bird people  
would have been in long ago I think  
tho if the Snakes had succeeded they  
might have taken a turn with them  
just to keep in practice. Mrs Wheaton  
and Sallee had hoped to have Grace  
with us for a good long visit at  
the N.W. this Oct. do give our love  
to Mrs Hayward and Grace & James &  
the Boys & Poppie. I will fix down  
up and start tomorrow, have been  
rushed with paper work here for Eastern  
acts since Order 7. Cause, could not have  
with some earlier. Your attached  
Sally Hayward  
Comd<sup>g</sup> Sept 24. 44. Frank Wheaton

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Dated, Aug 10. 78.  
J.F.M.

Dear General,  
Your despatch  
has given me great pleasure  
and relief - Perhaps you  
did not think of the  
effect on my reputation  
any reduction of the little  
importance of my modest  
Command would have, all  
officers who have known me for  
years in and out of your  
Dept<sup>y</sup> would immediately think  
I had either broken down,  
taken to drink, or turned crazy.  
If left as C.O. at Ft Lapwai,  
a Captains Post, no field office  
was ever stationed there before,  
I would be a little afraid  
myself of doing one of the three.

I am and always have been  
more than ready for any  
duty anywhere - though  
I am not in strength of  
mind body or heart what I  
was before last February.

If old Fuss and Frathers  
is afraid of offending Mrs F:  
Jusid, let my district Hd: M:  
sumani at Sapwai for the  
present, but I think W.W.  
should continue to be in the  
district even if I am not to  
be there - I should feel better  
satisfied in calling for informa-  
tion &c. &c. If W.W. is a central  
point and the natural point  
for any subordinate you may  
desire to have charge of your  
North Eastern corner. It is so very  
inaccessible, my most important  
letters and copies of your instruct-  
ions after misprint & misearried

when I mailed them from  
H.W.W. and once was 8

Days reaching Sapwai C. O.  
my letter went way up to Pine  
from P.O. nearly to Spokane Falls.  
While there I feel as if I were  
in a remote corner of a section  
of country I can't hear about or  
speedily communicate with.  
At Walla Walla in 24 hours I can  
learn from reliable parties what  
is going on - at Sapwai impor-  
tant news always comes a week  
too late for me to act on - and at  
Sawiston doubly so exaggerated rumors  
are always floating, something  
sensational for the paltry paper.

I think I ought to be at H.W.W.  
and you want me there, if it can't  
be arranged now, maybe it can be  
later. I dislike the idea of  
being balked by Mrs F, too, she  
moved into the quarters Mrs W. had

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Wester City Oregon  
Aug 10th 1878

Brig. Gen. O. O. Howard

Commanding Dept

Wester City

Idaho

Dr Sir

Since You were at Malheur  
I presume you have traveled most all  
around us - I was in hopes when you  
were at Hayward you would be able to come  
and see us - But it seems you were called  
the other way - And I did not get to see  
you In regards to my Bill -

When I was at Malheur working  
for you - I paid \$25 dollars for Living  
Rig over there and back - I wish you  
would be kind enough to give me a voucher  
for the amount and for what you think  
my service was worth to you there and

Else where - Would not trouble you but  
am in need of money to balance up  
with Company so many bills stand  
out - Should you come this way would be  
much pleased to have you call and see  
my wife we are keeping house and well  
that you kindly - Should you need my  
assistance again please call Day or Night  
and I will render you any help in my power

Please give my Compliments to your Office  
In general kind word and Esteem  
Particular  
Remaining Yours Obediently

W. D. James  
Offr

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Strods Coalah.  
Stevens Co. Wash. Ter  
Aug<sup>24</sup> 1878

The Honorable

J. C. Scrim  
Indian Agent Ft. Colville

Dear Sir

I delivered to the chief suc-sup skin  
letter from you requesting him to  
attend the council to be held on the 26<sup>th</sup>.  
I asked me to read & explain  
him its contents. Which I did to the  
best of my ability. He then asked  
me to write to you for him & state  
that he will attend the council &  
so that he regards you to be a  
wise policy. I never gives satisfaction  
say he recognizes the settlements here  
the whites & has no disposition for  
disturb any of them. & desires to be  
allowed to remain within as long as he

conducts himself in a peaceable & honorable  
manner. He then appeals to me &  
requests me to state the manner he  
has conducted himself here with me  
since my acquaintance with him

He is settled within one mile of  
my place. & to all outwards appearance  
tries to sustain the principles of peace  
amongst his tribe & have been for the  
last month here <sup>at</sup> watching the movements  
of the hostiles through runners that has been  
<sup>since they crossed the state line</sup> arriving and returning from his camp to  
Moses almost daily for the last 2 weeks  
I has expressed to me his <sup>opinion</sup> fears that I  
should have to move my family immediately  
if it was not for Moses. & that he will  
continue to watch all movements & warn me  
when I am in danger. <sup>Willis Sharp</sup> — for sus-sup-skin

But allow me to say that in my  
opinion they will all bear watching  
in time of war.

Yours Truly  
Willis Sharp

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Aug 12, 1878.

Malheur City Oregon  
Genl Howard W.S.A.  
Comd'g Dept of Columbia

Dear Sir

I learn from the operator here that you leave Boise to night for Portland. And that the war is virtually ended. I am just informed by Mr Edgar, that Chief Oitz & 63 Indians came in to agency this morning.

On the successful termination of the Campaign, permit me to congratulate you, and in common with all our people here, to thank you - personally - and assure you that we fully appreciate the energetic measures, and the personal

sacrifices, to which you have  
Expended yourself to bring  
about the desired result, all  
of which has endeared you to  
the people of this section of  
the country. Some Arnee  
bands of Indians are yet  
out in Ironside country but  
we regard the war as closed.

By direction of Col Green  
I employed Scouts, to Scout  
from Snake River to Ironside  
while the Indians were  
passing through. These Scouts  
were out from 29 July to about  
5<sup>th</sup> Aug. Also by direction  
of Lieut Cozier, I sent a  
messenger, with dispatches  
to Major Egbert, and who  
Major Egbert retained as  
a guide. He was sent  
here also with dispatches

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but owing to his horse dying  
here was not able to return  
to Major Egbert as desired.

Mr. Moffatt and Asbury are  
the only other Scouts here  
not settled with - Mr. Asbury  
was employed by me in  
consultation with Mr. W.  
to act as Scout in place  
of Mr. B. Howard, subject to  
approval of Lieut Wood.

Now what I desire to know  
is can I Certify to the Services  
performed and send same  
for settlement direct to your  
Chief 2<sup>d</sup> Mr., or will I have  
to write and send the ac-  
-counts of said Services to  
Col Green & Major Egbert?  
All other Incidental Services  
I have had performed has  
been settled for, Excepting  
Three - herein named -

and I should not trouble  
the Genl with these matters now  
do I know, just where to  
send to Col Green & Major  
Egbert. I can assure the Genl  
(which I believe he will give me  
Credit for) that I have been strict  
and conscientious, in all I have  
done, and without any regard  
to any consideration, except  
that of speedily terminating the  
war. Also, that I will pay  
if necessary for the services of  
some of the men I have had on  
during the entire time but never  
reported for pay. Please to answer  
from Baker or Portland, and by so  
doing you will much oblige  
One of your many friends &  
well wishers, W. H. Packwood

Portland Oregon.  
Aug. 12. 1877.

With a great deal  
of love to you  
from Fannie,  
Chancy, Johnnie,  
Harry and Bessie,  
and from your  
loving daughter  
Grace Howard.

Dear Papa,

Mamma is busy now & may not  
have time to write today, so I will. Fan-  
nie came home last night complaining,  
& Dr. Sladen told Mamma he needed qui-  
sins. In the night he had severe cramps &  
at two o'clock Chancy went down & got Dr. Wal-  
kins to come up. He gave peppermint & water &  
said Fannie had drank too much water when  
warm. We have been having very warm weather  
for several days. The sun being very hot in  
the middle of the day. Fannie had taken 11 half  
grain pills at night & six more in the morn-  
ing, when Mamma found they were opium  
pills  $\frac{1}{2}$  gr each. She went directly down to Capt.  
Sladen's, but he told her no harm was done  
- opium would have been just the thing  
to quiet the pain in the night. Mamma

gave Jamie plenty of coffee as an antidote, & although he did not keep the sedative powder down Dr. Sladen thinks he has had quite enough medicine for a while. He has slept nearly all day & is quite comfortable. Everybody is affected by the hot weather except myself. Mrs. Wells had a sick headache yesterday, & came over here & spent the night. She is better today. Chenevix had a headache caused by sunning his eyes & re-oscoped over rough ground in the sun, but he is reading quietly in the library with Johnnie & me & seems all right. Mamma will not lie down though I wanted her to. She thinks Jamie's numerous wants cannot be attended to by anyone else. She is pretty well now, probably because she has no more sweeping to do. My carpet-sweeper runs so easily that it is more play to keep our house in order now. Mamma asks how much I will take a year to be housekeeper, but I say I have not been trained for that & can "bring more" at another kind of work. Capt. I mean, Dr. Sladen has put a veto on study or even reading, but has not said anything about teaching yet. He has prescribed for me and I mind

Well worth it. W. H. Packwood



either than Mamma does about obeying orders. We  
shall call this Howard Hospital soon & tell  
Mamma. Mrs. Wells says I had better not  
make fun of the sick ones, or I may be down  
next. Capt. Gladwin laughed at the amt. of med.  
some fanatic had taken & said if he was toler-  
ably well today, it would be wise not to give  
him any more. Harry, Bessie & Elsie have  
played circus, band &c all day & only needed  
an occasional quietus. Oh, I forgot the un-  
tard pleasure that Mamma is so very generous  
with to Janie. I prescribed Castor oil, seeing  
that everything else had been tried on him, but  
they only sent me away. Mamma puts the  
greatest share of the blame on you, for she says  
you got the Opium pills at some time when  
she did not know it. Today is the first time I  
have felt like letter writing. I wrote one long let-  
ter to Carrie Brodhead, & she is to forward it to  
Jessie to read. Johnnie is drawing puzzles, &  
beside me on the window seat is the glass  
jar with the childrens lost pets - pullings  
in it. Mamma & I have been dress making,  
making up goods in the house. Her black  
go-nadine is only wanting a few stitches in it

to be finished. It is to be worn at the  
reception we shall give you all when you  
last return. We shall have to engage  
the leader of the band over at Vancouver  
play "See the Conquering Heroes come"  
I must not tell you any of the minutiae  
the "Celebration". If you bring home  
ponies enough we may get up a procession.  
We are expecting now to hear at any time  
some engagement with the Indians, or that  
they have escaped & are to be followed up in  
a new direction. We traced out on the maps  
every route, & found all places, rivers and  
lakes mentioned in the last dispatch, & sup-  
pose you are now with Genl. Gibbon somewhere  
near Ross Hole. Mr. Wells comes over every  
day to see if you have any news. Last week she  
went down town with Mamma & me several  
times. The last letter I sent to Guy at Tuma & one  
Mamma sent there to him has been for-  
warded ~~to him~~ <sup>her</sup> & Mr. Kemp there here. Several  
others have come to the office but are forwarded  
directly to Lewiston, & I suppose have reached  
him by this time. Guy's letter within the day  
after you started for the Solo trail, dated  
the 30th ult. came right before last, also  
Mr. Woods' note to Mamma. We were  
sorry to hear of the same, we hoped that  
you would at least have pleasant weather.  
We heard yesterday of Mr. Duncan's having  
sick leave <sup>from</sup> Min Couch & McCarr, Wilson  
were to start from New York 2  
ago, the 10th. So they will re-  
some time this month. Every body asks

Well wishers, W. H. Packwood

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to get the studio he wishes, but it  
is better for him to associate with  
a boy if possible. The nest full of  
the birds under the parlor <sup>bay</sup> window which  
is such a source of interest to the children  
is now empty, all the little birds having  
learned to fly. Ulrich brought one in, when  
hardly fledged, in his hand to show his  
mother. Prince's oft repeated lessons  
have not taught him not to bark at  
ill dressed men, all horseback riders  
and dogs, and he still is very sorry  
afterwards, & likes to creep on the  
parlor mats. I met Dr. Warren, <sup>a Cong. emissary</sup> of S. I. on  
the train coming west. He wished to be re-  
membered to you. I don't know as he  
has written you what a pleasant journey I  
had, & how kind everybody was to me. I saw  
Mr. Horace Williams in Cedar Rapids, whom  
I much dislike first met at your house at  
Water Street Arsenal. He wished to be remem-  
bered to you. I hope the flannel shirts & hand-  
kerchiefs will come safely to you which Mas-  
sachusetts & marked. I will, with <sup>try to</sup> Guy and  
send at the same time I do this, but

"When do you expect the General home?" Genl. Eaton asked me yesterday if there was any thing by which we could judge when you would be back. It looks pretty dubious to us yet. I hope that the news of the disagreements of the Indians among themselves will prove true, for it seems to me that dividing the land will make easier work to overcome them. Mamma & Mrs. Walker & Jamie are camping in the parlor still over the spinnings. The Turkeys are recovering fast. There is little to write about, as we spend our time either thinking or reading or talking "Indians," & you must be thoroughly "up" on that topic by this time. I brought home a little book to Johnnie "What Tommy did", which amused all the children very much. A few days ago I bought the sequel to "Helen's Babes", & we are all reading it now. Channing's pets, his Canaries, pigeons & fish take up a good deal of his time. Jamie is not to take any jobs for September, as school will begin then. He talked the other day some of reciting to me & not going to school. But Mamma told him she should prefer