Washington, D.C., Feb. 2, 1872

Dear Sir:

I have not written you because I felt that I had not accomplished enough to make it an object. Indeed, there is no confidence to be placed in Mr. Blackburn's memory and word I have gained something. I present myself to him on Thursday, the appointed next day for an interview; he gave me a letter, read a little of it, and said his Committee were in session and exclusive. I met him the next day, and wrote to Mr. Beach, the Mr. for the near point. Still, when the present is confirmed, it is enough so that all he can for the Academy. But he is a new member, unacquainted as to the ways of Congress and does not have much influence. When the bill was shown me I found that they had cut off the "Instructor in Infantry," this I got restored. "Pay of Cadets" reduced to $1,75,000. Pay of Indians, frank I believe reduced to old figures. Dept of Pastry all but doubled. Old figures and post cut out. I got him to increase the amount, but after for "postal force" was cut out. Dept. Law cut down one half. "Postal Force" cut out entirely. I got a half promise that the item should be restored, but I shall make that one of the points of talk.
with Dr. Butterworth. Speaking of the deft. was reduced but he promised to restore. Prof. Mitchie's Instruments for the observatory were cut out entirely. Noting that Dr. Winter's Loan would not be reduced. We must find it. 1st. is of the greatest importance & I think Prof. Mitchie had better come one. The bill will not be repaid for some years.

Contract for Superintendent was cut out. He would be persuaded by argument. It said contingent funds were in bad odor and he would not advance any for that. All this is all that I claim. As be is president of the Academy. I shall say that not with Dr. Butterworth.


The poor can't cut out.

All new hospital for quarters. Cut out.

Swimming Bath. Cut out.

College for boys and girls. Cut out. Think of it.

Leviathan barracks. Cut out. Gas works reduced one half. Don't want main. Was cut out but he agreed to restore it. "Maltbeaters" cut out.

I think it one of these yea those items that I know you don't care.
much about. I shall not work for
those, but I shall work hard for the
essential ones. It is very unfortunate
that Mr. Blackburn should be at the
head of that Committee. He advised
me to come against, but it would be a
waste of time. I am convinced, I
shall work with the rest of the men
who are Republicans.

Now I have not time to tell you
of my visit to the War Dept. for I
am on my way to the Capitol. But having
had no time, I telegraphed you, that
you were going to ask for one of
your personal intimate friends at the
head of the War Dept. I told him
that by my own knowledge that,
as I presumed Wood was the man
that you had designated the place
for him. He said that he was glad
to know it; for he must have used
his best efforts against the
assignment of a line officer, or one
not learned in the law, to a position
which he must justly should be filled
by a Judge Advocate. He will
give you any body who is willing
to go, except Wathen and is close
almost that he can have Bartlett
is you. He mentioned Goodfellow.
and Curtis.

Of course you will know before this reaches you, of the retirement of McRae, Bonham, Brown, Reade, King, Dungan and others. It has been good for me as a little start. I shall not neglect Mr. Read, telegraphers from this moment for a strong letter to their agents. I believe I can get his interest through from my own and others. I must close.

Bravo! Rashful.

Slade

To General Courtney

West Point.
Confidential. Find hospital statement in deficiency bill. Swane will not recommend Gardner. He heard you wanted Wood. Was much exercised at your choice. Outside his corps would antagonize such a selection. Call possible - thinks he can send you Barr. Good fellow or C. H. Curtis. Could you send me a strong personal letter this afternoon to mail to Senator Frye. Shaken aide.
House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

My dear sir:

Your favor of date the 4th inst. just received.
The matter will receive my early attention.

Yours very truly,

Feb. 6-1882

Lewis Beach
POSTAL CARD.

NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS CAN BE PLACED ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE.

11 East Point, N.Y.
Febr. W. C.

Greenwich Cove

Feb. 6, 1882

My dear General,
I think I should like to go to West Point on the
next Board of Visitors, but being no politician I don’t
know exactly how to secure the appointment. Being a
Professor in Columbia College and a resident of Connecticut
I might be appointed from either. Can you do anything
to secure my appointment or don’t the Authorities con-
dult you in the matter?
My course of life is such that I go but little from home except when I go to my work in College. This will account for the infrequency of my visits to West Point, where I spent the happiest portion of my life. The new ways of the academy make me a stranger even than and in some cases, the 12 years I have been here, but I can never be -

When I think of this I am now entering upon completing my first quarter of a century at Columbia. How are you getting on at the academy & how do you like it?
Washington, D.C.
Feb. 7, 1882.

Dear General:

You will receive a note from Prof. Chickering asking you to unite with us at the annual dinner of the Bowdoin Alumni Association in this city on the evening of the 16th inst. I only express the earnest wish of all in urging you to be present. There are some forty graduates of Bowdoin who will probably sit down with us, and we are anticipating a very enjoyable time. Don't fail to come.

Remember me kindly to Mrs. Howard. It is a long time since I have seen her.

Yours very truly,

F. T. Stewart

Gen. O.O. Howard
West Point, N.Y.
In behalf of the Washington Association of Bowdoin Alumni, I have the honor to extend you a cordial invitation to be present at our Annual Dinner, to be given at the Riggs House, on Thursday, Feb. 16th, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Yours fraternal,
J.W. Chickering, Jr.
Cor. Sec.

Deaf-Mute College
Washington D.C.
Feb. 7, 1882.
Washington, D.C.
Feb 4, 1882.

Answered by the Seal
Feb 9, 1882.
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Dated  Chicago 2/7 1882  

Received at

To  Paul J. Howard  

Telegram received

Have never given consent to resignation

Can it be prevented from taking effect

Cornelia Hayes
Ceny Mc.

Chicago, Ill.
Feb 7/82.
My dear General,

Your telegrams have given me great distress—Dr. Knapp assures me that Sachs’s eyes are curable—why cannot he be again under Dr. K. S. care and go on with most Lemir’s classes?—he is perfectly capable of holding & acquiring himself well in his classes—I am extremely afflicted.

Yours sincerely,

Your friend

[Signature]

Chicago, Ill. Feb 27th 82
Dear Brother,

To close, send to me all offers for your set away - but from me, but even if your corresponding Committee have nothing or you cannot get me or its Officers for arising as Christ here, men to come present of Mr. Ace, and in the year to love a community. Perish all I am sure I could not be so glad to have you, brother, saveable.

I believe I could also be a blessing to the cause, if one of the Committee could be brought among them.

Yours, 

Love, 

[Signature]
C. B. Willis, General Secretary of the Association at New Haven, Conn., will have charge of the singing during the Convention.

The Committee asks each Association to instruct its delegates in regard to the number of Sustaining Memberships to the State work, for which they shall subscribe. Not one of our societies should fail to do its part in this work.

It is very desirable that all delegates come prepared to remain over the Sabbath.

May we urge upon all the Associations the importance of special definite prayer for every blessing upon this gathering. We must remember continually that God alone can give the increase.

EDMUND P. PLATT, Chairman, Poughkeepsie.
GEORGE A. HALL, State Secretary, New York.

WILLARD W. BROWN, Buffalo.
JOHN DURAND, Rochester.
LEWIS E. LYON, Auburn.
GEORGE C. SAWYER, Syracuse.
GEORGE B. MASSEY, Watertown.
CHARLES W. DARLING, Utica.
C. C. MERRIAM, Lyons Falls.

JAMES H. BRONSON, Amsterdam.
CHARLES E. MERRIAM, Waterer.
THEO. A. HARDING, Binghamton.
E. S. TURNER, Newburgh.
ROBT. FULTON CUTTING, Brooklyn.
HENRY DALLEY, Jr., "
EDWIN PACKARD, "
D. R. NIVER, Albany.
JOHN C. HAYEM EYER, Yonkers.
ELBERT B. MONROE, New York.
ROBERT R. McBurney, "
NORMAN FOX, "
CHARLES A. MUNGER, "
ORLIN R. STOCKWELL, "

WALTER HUGHSON, Treasurer, New York.

P. S.—The following rates have been secured for persons attending the Convention:

The **N. Y. C. & H. R. R. R.** will sell tickets to Auburn and return, to all persons presenting Delegates’ Credentials at their depots in New York and Newburgh, for $10, on and after the 13th. Tickets can also be purchased at the Company's office, 233 Washington St., Brooklyn.

The **Utica, Ithaca and Elmira R.R.** will sell limited tickets from Elmira to Auburn at $1.95, on presentation of Credentials.

Return tickets can be obtained on the following roads, on presentation of certificates of attendance, signed by the Secretary of the Convention.

The **N. Y., L. E. & W.** will return delegates from Owego to the point on its line from which full fare was paid in going, at one-third the regular local rates.

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The **Rome, Watertown & Ogdensburgh R. R.** will return delegates who have paid full fare going, at one cent per mile.
PROGRAM

Thursday Afternoon,
2.30 o'clock.—Devotional Meeting.
3 to 5 o'clock.—Organization and Reports from Associations.

Thursday Evening,
7.30 o'clock.—Welcome Exercises, under the direction of the Auburn Association.
8.30 to 9.30.—Reports on State Work:
General Work of the Committee.
E. P. Plant, Chairman.
Finances.
Walter Hugonin, Treasurer.
Work among Railroad Men.
O. R. Stockwell.
Work among Commercial Travelers.
C. A. Munger.
Work among College Students.
Professor Norman Fox.
District Work.
Theo. A. Harding.

Friday Morning,
9.30 to 10.—Prayer Meeting.
10 to 10.15.—The Religious Agencies in our Work exclusively for Young Men. How made More Effective.
J. H. Elliott.
10.15 to 11.—General discussion of this topic.
11 to 12.—Business Meeting.

Friday Afternoon,
2.30 to 3.—Bible Study.
3 to 3.15.—The Secular Agencies. How can they be made to contribute to the primary object of the Association?
Rev. George A. Hall,
State Secretary.
3.15 to 4.—General discussion of this topic.
4 to 5.—How may the efficiency of the existing Branches among Railroad Men be increased?
E. W. Watkins,
Sec'y Int. Com., New York.

Friday Evening,
7.30 to 8.30.—"The Dangers of Young Men in Cities and Towns."
Rev. Augustus H. Strong, D.D., LL.D.,
President Rochester Theological Seminary.
8.30 to 9.30.—"Organized Christian Work : Collegiate, Inter-Collegiate."
Rev. Charles N. Sims, D.D., LL.D.,
Chancellor Syracuse University.

Saturday Morning, (for Delegates only),
9.30 to 10.—Devotional Meeting.
10 to 11.—(Conversational):
Women's Auxiliary.
Executive Secretary.
Practical Talks, Business, Medical, &c.
11 to 12.—(Conversational):
Work of District Committees.
Work among Commercial Travelers.

Saturday Afternoon,
2.30 to 3.—Bible Study.
3 to 3.15.—"The Relations of our Associations to Christian Youth."
George A. Wardburton.
3.15 to 4.—General Discussion of this topic.
4 to 5.—Unfinished Business.

Saturday Evening,
7.30 to 9.30.—"Bible Study : Object : Methods: Illustrations."
Rev. Theodore L. Cutler, D.D.,
Pastor Lafayette Ave. Pres. Church, Brooklyn.

Sunday Morning, before Church Services,
Prayer and Convention Meeting.

Sunday Afternoon,
Young Men's Meeting.

Sunday Evening,
Farewell Meeting.
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Christian young men from towns where there are no Associations, or from Young People’s Associations of churches, will be heartily welcomed to the privileges of the Convention.

The credentials of such should be signed by the pastors of the churches to which they belong.

The credentials enclosed (more will be sent if desired) are to be filled out, and presented to the Credential Committee by delegates upon their arrival at the rooms in Auburn.

Representatives of the Auburn Association, wearing blue badges, will meet the trains upon the arrival of the delegates on Thursday and escort them to the rooms, where a lunch will be provided, and they will be assigned to homes.

The friends of the Auburn Association kindly offer entertainment to all delegates, but as some prefer to provide for themselves at hotels, the following reduced rates have been secured: Osborn, Gaylord and National Houses, $2 per day.

The Committee of Arrangements at Auburn would be glad to secure the names of the delegates who expect to be present, before the 15th inst. Address

M. B. Van Vranken, General Secretary.
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M. B. VAN VRAKEN, General Secretary.
My dear God,

I see by the papers, that Bicker has been nominated as Mr. God and to be retired as Mr. God. Barnes too, is to be retired as Major God and aso Mejo. Now my friend are anxious that I should be made of God as has Barnes of which and I would to give way to the Office, the President may select.
I have some pride in this matter and I feel that I am not only a compliment but an act of kindness to me as one of my old friends. I will ask one to write to the Post in my behalf a point letters have been sent to him but I fear it is too late.

Sincerely

[Signature]

[Signature]
Dated: Washington, D.C. 1882

Received at:

To: Genl Howard Wadley

Confidential

Senators Hoar and Dawes will go to the President with me on Friday morning.

Former is very earnest. Need a letter from you to President Arthur.

None on file. Please send at once. I shall get it Friday morning.

Lock box one hundred (100) dollars aide.
Sladen J. A.
Captain

Washington
Feb 8 / 82
My dear General:

You can proceed as you see fit.

The bill has been reported to the House for evening discussion. The sub-committee report the bill to day to the Appropriation Committee. They will accept the report of the sub-committee which will be a unanimous report. If any very necessary items are left out of the bill, they can be reached through the Appropriation Committee of the Senate. As I telegraphed you, I spent the evening of Monday, first with Mr. Ryan of Kansas, and later with Mr. Butterworth of Ohio. They constitute with Mr. Blackburn, the sub-committee. The results were satisfactory. Mr. Ryan says that if I could get Mr. Blackburn to call his sub-committee together again he should be...
Family war for all things necessary for the welfare of the Academy. Mr. Ryan is an economist and was very searching in his inquiries. At Mr. Butterworth's I found Genl. Sherman and Col. Gilman, who were on the same errand as myself but with reference to the general army appropriation. When Genl. Sherman left, I asked Gilman to remain and help me in my explanations of the necessities of the Academy. Taking to Mr. B. that while Col. Gilman was a graduate of the Academy I was not. We talked long and earnestly, taking up item by item and went through the bills. Mr. Butterworth said that the Academy should not be hampered and he approved of all estimates that you would have pressed, even the Contingencies. The next day yesterday, through the kindness of Mr. Birch, I learned...
a hearing before the entire sub-committee, and I said to the three
what I had said to each individual.
Taking up each item separately. It was
a sort of a "give and take." I gave
up, for your several items, in order to
secure others of more importance.
Of course, the Committee did not
say yes or no absolutely, but
they gave me the best assurance
that several important items should
be restored.

Mr. Beach is a new member.
He does not possess much influence
yet, but he did all that he could
to give me every facility for meeting
the Committee, and said and did
all that he could for the interests
of the Mill. And, I am sure
we owe him a debt of gratitude.
Cap't Sladen:

If I see no prospect of the bill being reported soon, I shall come home, i.e., start home Thursday night or Friday morning. Thank you very much for your letter to Sen. Fry. I shall present it today with others, and hope for the best.

Barr thought the point made in his letter was not a good one and that better not be presented, but he afterwards took it and said that he could make it plain to the Reps. and would present it himself. That was on Friday and I have not seen the Major since. I will try and see him today.

I hear all my family are well. With kindest regards,

Yours as ever,

Sladen.
United States Penitentiary.

Dear Mr. Howard,

Major General
US Army,
Military Academy, West Point, New York.

February 1882

Dear Sir,

I have received your communication and am replying to the one you last enclosed in your letter to the Adjutant General of the US Army at Helena, Montana, who referred the matter to the Governor of the Territory during a visit to this place. The Governor has ordered the matter of me and my aid as not being of special importance. I would very much appreciate if you could certify that the representations I made were correct in regard to my being with you during the Indian War of 1873.

The Governor will be going out of Office next Spring and a letter from you to his Honor, merely recommending my being with you during the Indian War and Blackfoot Indian War in 1877 and 1878, will try and make you understand who I am and if I can bring your mind back to the event that took place on July 15, 1877, when I was a young man of 16 years old, and served as an interpreter for the Indian War of 1877 and 1878.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
to you in the morning of the 5th of July, I
remained with your Adjutant until the 8th day
of July, and then went with a detached to
Yakima, and came back with the Agent
I was also Intending for General Meachen and
Col Watkins, at Spokane.
If you can send a letter to Mr. Hugh O'Neill
Kear Lodge, mentioning the facts would be
of great Service to you being a half Breed
Canada and friends.

Yours very truly

Jno. Langdon
Half Breed

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