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Kennebec Arsenal Augusta, Me.

Source: Bowdoin

Kennebec Arsenal Augusta, Me. January 29th 1856

Dear brother,

I received your letter last night and was glad to hear from you and from home. Dellie & I got through very well. My horses lay down three times & broke my pole-yoke once only. My colt is smarter and fatter than he was before the journey - seems now completely broken. Lizzie has got cold and is not quite so well. We have fitted up the little bathing room and moved bed, cradle & Guy downstairs.

Alice went to visit Miss Emma Turner yesterday and has not returned yet. Dellie is around the post investigating. He reads a little, but don't like to study very much. Lizzie said when I read your letter, "Tell Rowland, I think Miss Ella has good taste." I presume you and she understand who Miss Ella is. I found Miss Emma & Alice here when I returned, and took them with Dellie to the lecture of Professor Huntington of Harvard, the same evening. He lectured on common sense and "acquitted himself admirably." He thinks there ought to be a professorship of Gumption in every one of our colleges, thinks common sense attended to the least of all things that men have to learn.

I heard Fred Douglas when he was here, and I confess him to be the most eloquent speaker I have heard in Augusta. His intellectual acumen will compare favorable with any man in the Union, and I never saw a man who could dispel cobwebs with more facility, or set a matter more clearly & distinctly performing. He attacked every thing & every body. He hit my prejudices & many of my cherished convictions; yet he did everything in a masterly manner. He was earnest, sincere, yet logical & deep.

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Affectionately yours O. O. Howard

Give my love to all. Tell mother we are safe, the potatoes & apples didn't freeze. I carried the butter to Mrs. Clark, didn't think mother intended to make any account of it. Mrs. Clark thinks her daughter will be contented, says she knows she is in good hands. I hope she & mother will like each other. Charlie was here Saturday, came with the Wigginsses. I had to spend the evening & night with them at their grandfathers in town. I saw him at church (the Episcopal) Sunday morning. I have written to Harper but have not had time to get a reply. I hope you have taken that volume of the Frenchman's book that was at Leeds. I have written for a dozen copies.

Yours &c. Otis

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Kennebec Arsenal

To: Mr. R. B. Howard

Source: Bowdoin

Augusta, Me.

Bowd. College

Kennebec Arsenal Augusta, Me. February 5th 1856

Dear Brother,

I received your letter this morning and as I have a few minutes leisure, I will write you whether Dellie goes this afternoon or not. Lizzie took cold by being a little careless, a week ago last Sunday, and has been confined to her bed since a week today. She has had a slow fever which has hardly left her. She is not in much pain, scarcely any, but prostrate from weakness. She keeps up good courage. Her mother occasionally gets nervous about her. The little boy continues in perfect health. I find him very often with a spoon. He looks up into my face and laughs & continues to give us very little trouble.

Mrs. Clark our nurse has been with us the past week and will continue till Lizzie is better. I hav'nt heard from Charlie since he was here. I shall expect him Friday night. I think he will stop over Sunday with me and go to Brunswick Monday morning. T. Starr King lectures tonight before the Lyceum.

Lizzie says give my love to him, tell him to come up here and see if I don't look well.

Affectionately your brother O. O. Howard

To: Mr. R. B. Howard Bowd. College

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Kennebec Arsenal Augusta, Me.

Source: Bowdoin

Kennebec Arsenal, Augusta Me. February 8, 1856 (Friday morning)

Dear Brother,

I expected Dellie back before this: what has become of him? If you get this in season let him come this afternoon, for I think he & Charlie will go to Leeds tomorrow. I am going after Charlie today. Mother writes that she wants Dellie to come home and Charlie to go up if possible. I think I shall let Charlie have old Ben tomorrow, if he wants him. Mother imagines Dellie must be in the way because Lizzie is sick, but it is not the fact. Lizzie's fever has all gone. She gains every day a little, looks very bright this morning. Dellie must come as soon as he can - this afternoon if possible.

Affectionately your brother Otis

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Kennebec Arsenal Augusta, Me.

Source: Bowdoin

Kennebec Arsenal Augusta Me. Feb. 21st 1856

My dear Brothers

Lizzie looks very bright to night. She will soon be on her feet again. Guy is well & gone to sleep & his grandmother is well & happy.

Rowland, you asked me what I think of Burns for a subject, & what I think of the reasons you offer for the selection. Every man has a taste of his own in such things. If you feel satisfied with the subject that is enough. I think success in a lecture depends far less on what you say than on the manner you say it. I think it would be a good idea for you to get McGregor to read Burns to you & tell you what he has heard of him from his parents and countrymen. If at any time you can spare the time to come here, I will get him to meet us evenings at the office for the purpose of reading and talking. Or if you cannot spare the time I will draw from him all I can that is new & of interest by similar course and write you.

I have been thinking of employing my leisure in writing an essay of some length, before I lose all claim to literary knowledge, & so as to be prepared for any emergency. But the immortal difficulty of selecting a theme is my draw-back as usual. Tell Charlie, oh! I am addressing both. Well, Charlie I think you are getting in a bad way when you can allege such a frivolous excuse for staying home from church as "Parson Adams & hard seats." Mr. Brewster of Leeds says, the Christian only needs to hear the truth and Mr. Adams is proverbially a truthful man.

I did not belong to the College circle, was'nt worthy of a membership. I am sorry that you are likely to enter the arena of society broils, or in more moderate terms excitement incident to being a candidate for office. I trust however you have the stamina (or will cultivate it) to keep you cool & cause you to move along in the even tenor of your way, thinking twice as much of a good recitation as of class preferment. It is worth 10 times more. Cry nonsense at the word "book-worm", if you find book-worms without common sense it don't make it you are such an one.

William Fry has been here. I met him at a ladies fair day before yesterday. Yesterday he called on me here and wished to see the Baby. He has dissolved partnership with that lawyer at Lewiston and thinks of setting up for himself, either at L or at Rockland. He is the first college classmate I have met since I have been in Maine.

(Saturday) I was called away from my letter Thursday night, and didn't get time to finish it yesterday. Lizzie is gaining very fast. She looks as bright as ever this morning. Mary Clark left mother & came home. Mrs. Clark asked to go home. I told her certainly paid her & told her she need not come back. We sent to Windsor about 10 miles distant & got a girl. She seems to be a real good one. She takes the kitchen work & Katie Murphy tends & takes care of the baby. I take care of him myself night's. He wakes twice generally, has his bottle or nurses & then goes straight to sleep. He sleeps in his cradle all the time.

I shall be down to see you sometime in March, if Lizzie gets well. She has to see me everyday now.

What do you think of the majority & minority reports on Amendments to the Constitution?

I talked with McGregor yesterday about Burns. I asked him if he knew any anecdotes of the man, that he never had seen recorded. He said yes, and immediately proceeded to tell several. He says he thinks Allan Cunningham's life & writings of Burns is the best work to read, to learn all about him.

Remember me to all friends who inquire.

Affectionately your brother O. O. Howard

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Bowd. Coll. Feb. 26 [1856]

Dear Dellie

It seems you went home pretty soon after you left Brunswick. You had a good long visit at Augusta & I hope you enjoyed yourself pretty well when with me. I was sorry to see you manifest so much reluctance to go home. I fear you do not prize its blessings high enough. It is true we do not always get that kind of enjoyment at home in Leeds that we do elsewhere, but I always found certain pleasures there which well supplied what I missed. Suppose your home blotted out and that you were entirely destitute of a place, where you could feel that you had a privilege and a right to remain - just think how unhappy you would be.

Others may treat you for a time kindly or at least politely but none can bear & forbear, love & cling to you like your Mother. No man will or can do you the good that your Father can & will. From the apparent kindness & condescension which we meet with from strangers we are apt to think that our true friends are neglectful. You can buy smiles & compliments, but you can't buy a heart like your Mother's which will be thinking and planning for your happiness whether you are present or absent. Which will love thro' ill & good treatment, which must ever yearn for you even if you could be so unnatural, or to be ungrateful. You don't understand the world Dellie, when you come to know it better you will prize more highly the enjoyments which you can have no where else but at home.

Give my love to mother. I had a letter from uncle Ensign today and he saw Mother Sabbath Day. He said there were only three in our family. Has Roland moved?

Otis wrote Saturday that Lizzie was still mending slowly. The nomination of Fillmore was the most injurious one to the Republican Party, probably, that the Americans could have made. It will provide the Anti-Slavery forces & give an easy victory, I fear, to the Locos. The more moderate portion of the North will be wheedled thro' K. N.ism or St. Whig-ism into the support of Mr. F. & leave our Republican Party rather radical & the impracticables like Hale, Wade, Giddings, Wilson, Miller & Peck and other hot-heads will get the control. So it looks now.

You must write us soon & we want to hear from Mother too as early as possible.

Charles will finish this and I will write no more tonight. My eyes won't bear using in the evening more than half an hour.

Your affectionate brother Rowland

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Dear Brother,

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Kennebec Arsenal Me

Source: Bowdoin

Kennebec Arsenal Me March 29th 1856

Dear Brother,

I received your letter in good time and am ashamed to own that I have not replied before this, or written you before its receipt. I got home from Troy just one week from the day I saw you at Brunswick, had a hard journey both ways, several detentions on account of deep drifts. I started from Troy Tuesday noon, shipped my horse at Albany, arrived in Boston Thursday morning, came by the boat to Portland, thence by the A & Kennebec Road to Winthrop and rode on horseback from Winthrop to Augusta. I drove him & rode him considerably when I first got him here, but I strained one of his joints by driving him to Gardiner about a week ago. His leg is still swollen a little still but does not lame him any.

Recently I have spent all leisure time in visiting, returning calls with Lizzie or at the State House. For three days past there has been a warm discussion on the Liquor Bill of Mr. Barnes. Yesterday Lot Morrill made a flaming speech of more than four hours duration and Barnes answered him keeping us at the State House till after six o'clock in the evening. My sympathies went with Morrill, but Barnes had the best of the argument and is without question the most gifted man. He is as good a man for controversial speaking as I ever listened to. A profound and critical scholar, concise, clear and explicit in his diction, calm & self-possessed, he never lays open his breast for a blow that he cannot ward off. Morrill's argument for prohibition was good, before a popular audience it would have been highly applauded. He intended to tear in pieces the bill & the accompanying report, but he did not succeed so well as I thought he would. There was sophistry used & things affirmed as facts, that he had better have avoided. His astute friend as he denominated Barnes, was too clear-headed to admit of his escape. Barnes turned many of his strongest points upon him & had the advantage in Scripture reference. I had gained my notion of Barnes from the age & Journal, and had formed an erroneous judgment. I will tell you I don't care a fig for the politics of either but I would like to have his ability & his attainments.

Wing is still with us, here in the office now. Lizzie & Guy are quite well. Judge Davis's case comes on next Friday. Wing says he is waiting for an answer to his letter. We will not be ordered before May.

My love to Charlie.

Yr aff. Brother Otis

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Kennebec Arsenal Me

Source: Bowdoin

Kennebec Arsenal, Augusta Me. April 10th 1856

Dear Brother

I have just taken your letter & the book from the office and hasten to reply. I hope you will spend your vacation with us. Lizzie says she invited you or meant to. We can make it altogether convenient.

I heard Barnes's reply. He did not touch upon "the main & central question" as he turned something that he did not mention, but he touched upon the out-works, rubbed <F.O.I.> by a few pointed touches he attempted to establish by the history of the measure that the Legislature (where lies the embodiment of the people's will) have the power to address the Governor for the removal of an officer, and should use it in just such a case as this. He said he was willing to condense all the charges into the two words "bad behavior" if that would suit better. He said that the Judge had no judicial knowledge whatsoever that the Constitution was amended, and from no other knowledge could he have a right to act. Barnes evidently did not intend to shoulder the whole procedure, but left the main portion of the argument of Davis's Counsel to be answered by his associates.

Goodwin talked on the subject fairly & candidly. He showed clearly by legal reference that Judge Davis could by no legal right decide a question of that kind without a legal issue by due process of law. He said that in case an officer should appear as having been appointed by the Governor, whom in no case whatsoever the Governor had a right to appoint, it could not be his duty to recognize him, but in certain cases even now the Governor has a right to appoint a Sheriff to fill a vacancy occurring by death, resignation or otherwise. Now if a man comes bearing a commission from the Governor purporting to fill a vacancy, the Commission is prima facie evidence that the vacancy has occurred as it ought in order to give the Governor power to appoint. Now if the Gov. unlawfully displaces the former sheriff, this is a fact, he must institute a suit and bring his case properly before the Supreme Court for adjudication.

Though Mr. Goodwin maintained that the judge had committed a blunder in being prevailed on by two lawyers to take such an issue & decide as he did, and though he persevered in the opinion, he (Mr. Goodwin) saw no want of sincerity in Judge Davis & nothing that would warrant the application of the extreme remedy. He is said to have changed his view afterwards when he heard a private letter of Judge Davis read stating many private & party feelings, calling the Legislature "blood hounds" &c. I did not hear this letter. Morrill did not speak. He, Shepherd and one man were the only three that stood by Judge Davis. What will become of Lot? He seems to have departed from his party or his party have departed from him. I learned from a very truthful young man upon whom I can rely, who was present at that primary caucus, that they said nothing of the final judgment at all, but merely determined upon bringing forward the charges that "certain men who were thought to have originated the whole matter were then opposed to doing anything on the ground of expediency & took very much the ground that Goodwin did before the Senate at first.

I hope Charlie is well & will come this way & that you will spend as much as you can or the whole of the vacation with us. Lizzie sends love to you & Charlie, is very much obliged to you, did not know it was to be a present.

Wing went to Winthrop yesterday - will be back tomorrow or next day. Legislature has adjourned, the Senate yesterday and the House this morning.

My love to Charlie. Remember me to acquaintances & friends who inquire, to Mr Sands' people if you see them.

Yours affectionately Otis.

Guy can't send his love, because he is asleep. Lizzie is now quite well.

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To: Dear Brother [RB Howard]

RBH-105

Ordnance Depot Fort Brooke Florida

Source: Bowdoin

Ordnance Depot Fort Brooke Florida May 6th 1856 [This must be 1857, because it is from Florida.]

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I will write you a few lines just to let you know that you are not forgotten and to inquire how they all do at Bath, Hallowell & Augusta.

I know you don't like Charles Mulliken very well, but I wish you had stopped to see him & his family. I am well aware there is no accounting for my friendships, philosophically. They are often found among the men of small mind, men of unaccountable prejudices or other striking faults. I have not investigated the subject & cannot tell the reasons, but I think you will generally find some very prominent good feature to redeem the man for whom I entertain a high regard. So it is, at least, with Charles Mulliken. He is a good businessman, has made it his study, but the circle of his mental vision is not very large, and he allows his interest or apparent interest (like many of other good people) to blind him. He is not an independent man, out of the line of his daily practice. He has several oracles in Augusta & is governed by them or much biased by their opinions. But with his purse he is openhanded. He will stick to a friend, he is generally gay hearted and would rather do you a generous turn than not. Now I suspect in the majority of cases, we like those that like us. I don't know what made me write the above; but Lizzie writes that you saw Chas. Mulliken in the street and spoke to him, and I was thinking then that you didn't like him very well and I sort of wished you did.

Are you going to study with Stinchfield? I am afraid you will get lazy down there. But, maybe not. Stinchfield must have had considerable business on his hands since I was there, and as he has bought a saddle horse he may have grown to be physically smart.

Lizzie says something about the Directors of the Rail Road paying the coupons, but she is not sure about the correctness of her technical knowledge. She has, however, observed an important item, that is, that money begins to come in, 250 at a time. Will the road really be good for anything after it is put through to Farmington? Would you or would you not advise me to invest some eight or ten thousand in the Stock or Bonds taking Directors notes as collateral.

Now for news. Post, Garrison, District & Department Gossip. 1st News. Capt. Johnson's Fla Mtd Vols who took five Indians & killed three, recently, & who have captured 8 and killed 5 in all, have had quite bad luck lately. Capt. Johnson himself was in here. A small party of his men, six or seven, were following an Indian trail not far from Istokpoga Lake, when they suddenly came upon some twenty-five or thirty Indians, who attacked them, drove them back, took a horse, killed the rider & carried off five hundred rounds of ammunition.

Major Morris on his way to the Kissimmee River captured an Indian horse, so also did the Express man another. I am now living in Major Morris's house, but will soon change my <tactics> again for he has been ordered to the command of Fort Capron & the troops in that vicinity.

2nd Gossip. There is no way to count upon what is in the wind. From East, West, North & South, rumors are afloat that there is a sect called Mormons, that they severally & individually have too many wives. Now General Harney is not very fond of even one wife & by direct ratio you can calculate his dislike to a system that might give him a good many. The General is also a little opinionated & don't see why Brigham Young shouldn't think as he does, & expresses the opinion openly that such a man ought to be hung. It is curious how the numbers of Mormons are increasing. Professor Sprole used to say that the average increase under a system of Polygamy would be less than where every man had his own one wife. I think that was his sentiment. I don't agree with him, however, for I don't believe there were any old maids in the olden time & per consequence fewer drones in the line of procreation. But, however, this may be. The Mormons are represented as abounding in men, energy & resources. They are already become rebels, besides their evident intention to engraft upon our National Tree, another scism, "a peculiar institution" to be defended by Scripture & especial Revelation. Hurrah for Utah &

Kansas! The mote & the Beam, Polygamy & Slavery!

Colonel Loomis is still here, will be till after the next mail, probably will go to Fort Myers tomorrow & maybe will take me along. By the last mail stage arrived 2nd Lieut. Drake, 2nd Infantry to act as topographical engineer for Florida. He is some 10 years older looking than Warren, is a relation of Governor Floyd, Colonel Grayson &c. a particular friend of Colonel Cooper & Colonel Sturtz. Was 12 years ago an officer of the Navy, has been on the Coast Survey, campaigned in Florida over twenty years ago & is quite an anomaly.

The Quartermaster's & Commissary's employees have been pillaging & were caught at it yesterday. Quite an excitement in the undercurrent has grown out of it.

Give my best love to those at home, hope mother is cheerful & well, Guy a good boy & Lizzie hopeful & happy. I don't know when I will get through with Florida or where in the world I will go.

Yr affectionate brother OO Howard