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visiting a nephew. I do
not know her address.
She wanted to go out
to see you. If she does
why can't you come on
with her other brother. ^{all} Edward



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS CAN BE PLACED ON THIS SIDE



Mr. E. Gilman
Glencoe
Ills

234 6/9/1882

From: Rowland [B.
Howard]

To: Mrs E. Gilmore

RBH-193

Rockport

Glencoe
Ills.

Source: Bowdoin

Rockport June 9/82

Glad Charles could have a Sunday with you. Helens father is no better but her mother is slowly recovering. A nurse comes next week & Helen hopes to come home for a while at least. Otis is at work in printing office here. Frank is next to the highest in his school. David is very well. I have a good house-keeper. Mrs Dr. Haskell is in Chicago visiting a nephew. I do not know her address. She wanted to go out to see you. If she does why can't you come on with her & her brother.

Affy
Rowland

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[Postmark] ROCKPORT MASS JUN 9
Mrs E. Gilmore
Glencoe
Ills.

Eastern Office of the Advance,
No. 6 Congl. House Boston.
Rev. R. B. Howard.
Eastern Editor.

Rockport
Boston, June 17 1882

Dear Mother

I was glad to hear
from you by letter last
evening in my return from
Chambers. Please sign this
Receipt & return it to me
& I will get your dis.
& send you check for it.
Glad to hear that you are
so comfortable in health.
I do not know Mrs. Haskell's
address. It was a very great
thing in her own return-
ing to go to Chicago. Mother
& the children run on
well as usual. Her
father no better - Creeps

about come with his car.

Neither ^{he} eats or sleeps &
has ^{be} hatched like a
chick - Her mother cough
is some better but she
looks very poorly. The nurse
Helen engaged was taken
sick & cannot come till
next week week to H.

Could not come home.
We hope Mr Beale (Uncle)
will help us pay her.

We got a woman to
stay one day & with Rosalie
& rode 10 miles through
to Indusky to Mr. Conquer.

You know ^{how} pleased the ladies
of Maine are in June. We
also had one other inside
in H. with the children.

Ellen goes to school every
day looks pale & is
nervous. I got there

235 6/17/1882 *From:* R. [B. Howard]

To: Dear Mother [Eliza
Gilmore]

RBH-194a

Rockport

Source: Bowdoin

Eastern Office of the Advance
No. 6 Congl. House Boston.
Rev. R.B. Howard
Eastern Editor.

Rockport, June 17, 1882

Dear Mother

I was glad to hear from you by letter last evening on my return from Maine. Please sign this Receipt & return it to me & I will get your Div. & send you check for it. Glad to hear that you are so comfortable in health. I do not know Mrs Haskell's address. It was a very great thing <on her own inclination> to go to Chicago. Helen & the children now as well as usual. Her father no better - creeps about some with his canes - neither eats or sleeps & has to be watched like a child. Her mothers cough is some better but she looks very badly. The nurse Helen engaged was taken sick & cannot come till next week so H. could not come home. We hope Mr Beale (Uncle) will help us pay her.

We got a woman to stay one day & took Rowlie & rode 10 miles to Industry to Co. Conference. You know how pleasant the hills of Maine are in June. We also had one other ride in F. with the children. Ella goes to school every day, looks pale & is nervous. I got there

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I attended to some Probate business in Portland & saw Mr Gilman a few minutes. Frank is next to the highest seat in school. Lizzie is as well as usual, i.e. not very well.

R.

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No. 6 Congl. House Boston.
Rev. R. B. Howard.
Eastern Editor.

Rockport June 22/82

Boston,

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Dear mother

I was glad
to get your good long
letter & the Receipt. I
will write Mr. Gilman
to send you a draft
for 228\$ less the
change.

The loss of 40\$ a
month by Mr. West
notification that he
does not wish me
longer on the Advance
puts it out of my
power to send you
any money tonight.

I will do so however
as soon as I can.
I suppose you endor-
sed the 30th on the
obligation - I cannot
understand why with
your income you are
so short of money. I
would use the principal
if I needed it or ~~it~~
~~would~~ if you would
enjoy giving it to any
good object.

Charles writes that he
is recovering after a
week's sickness at Seaside.
He seems to think he
will get out of the
advance pretty well
if next pay up. But
he will miss his
\$3000 salary as I do
my \$500. You know I have

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year from pigeon hole
people & the missing
Society I shall attend
prayer meetings. March
Boston, 188

over there once a Sab. and
hire some one to help
me when I must. I
wish Oti & David had
the heart to help in
such work & I could keep
a horse. I am sorry
to hear that you cannot
come to see me this
Summer. In such cases
it is a question of tender
care and humanity & perma-
nent invalidhood. We
shall send our book
to Arthur at Brimfield
Mass. Next Monday. I
do not know what you

to Arthur 6-
present, is, but am glad you
will have something to give -
As to repairs on the Leeds
Church I shall give some-
thing & hope you will. Laura
has not mentioned it at
all - She goes to Leeds next
Wednesday & will help Theresa
carry Uncle Frank. She
will go via Bath. I saw
her today in Boston. David
will come home a week
before Commencement, ^{July 15th} &
advertised for scholars for
Prin. basis here. But one
has offered yet. Will you
some time how much
you are giving Jamie if
you have no objection - I
suppose that is what keeps
you feeling poor. Charles
thinks Nellie's wife cannot
recover - says Nellie's business
is good.

236 6/22/1882 *From:* [R. B. Howard]

To: Dear Mother [Eliza
Gilmore]

RBH-194b

Rockport

Source: Bowdoin

[Attached letter]
Eastern Office of the Advance
No. 6 Congl. House Boston.
Rev. R.B. Howard
Eastern Editor.

Rockport, June 22/82

Dear Mother

I was glad to get your good long letter & the Receipt. I will write Mr Gilman to send you a draft for 228\$ less the exchange.

The loss of 40\$ a month by Mr West notification that he does not wish me longer on the Advance puts it out of my power to send you any money tonight. I will do so however as soon as I can. I suppose you endorsed the 30\$ on the obligation. I cannot understand why with your income you are so short of money. I would use the principal if I needed it or if you would enjoy giving it to any good object.

Charles writes that he is recovering after a weeks sickness at Dellies. He seems to think he will get out of the Advance pretty well if West pays up. But he will miss his \$3000 salary as I do my \$500. You know I have

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year from Pigeon Cove people & the Miss Society. I shall attend prayer meetings, preach over there once a Sab. And hire some one to help me when I must. I wish Otis & David had the heart to help in such work & I could keep a horse.

I am sorry to hear that you cannot come to see us this Summer. In Katies case it is a question of tender care and insanity & permanent invalhood. We shall send our book to Arthur at Brimfield, Mass. Next Monday.

I do not know what your present to Arthur is, but am glad you will have something to give - <if> <to> repairs on the Leeds Church. I shall give something & I hope you will. Laura has not mentioned it at all. She goes to Leeds next Wednesday & will help Theresa care for Uncle Frank. She will go via Bath. I saw her today in Boston. David will come home a week before Commencement, July 15. I advertised for scholars for him here. But one has offered yet. Write me some time how much you are giving Jamie if you have no objection. I suppose that is what keeps you feeling poor. Charles thinks Dellies wife cannot recover - says Dellie's business is good

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cannot come - I never
took so much interest
in my home as at
Rockport - but may have
to leave it any time - It
is now rented but a
journey & I feel that
my improvements will
help some poor min-
ister who may follow
me - I had that chamber
set in the spare room
painted & two lounges
received this spring - Mrs
Patterson every day chamber
set is in Helen's room
& her parlor set (green
plush somewhat worn
& covered with cotton)
in the sitting room. I
have mowed in the garden
more than usual and
it looks quite well - I

Boston July 3. 1882

Dear Mother

I was so completely
exhausted after yesterday's
services - Communion and
all that I fear I will
not be able to carry through
my two Church programs -
I seemed to be weak, numb
& dizzy after I was thro-

I hope to see Helen & the
children today - She is so
very good & kind to rub
me & not find fault
when I am nervous &
exhausted even if I have
not preached very well,
that I have missed
her these ten weeks very
much -

I called on Arthur &
wife at River House today
He is very pleasant & will

be a great addition to
your Glencoe Circle.
They will not go West
for a week. Mrs. Sunday
are to be at home for
next Sat. I hear I
could not go to the
Wedding, no time - no
money - no clothes! my
black ones are very shabby.
I hope for a new
suit next fall. Three
joined the church yesterday
(Ladies). I could not
understand from your
letter whether you owe
Charles & Charles over
you a note for \$400.
I lunched with Frank
Gittman at the Bank.
I suppose my Frank
may come with his

Mother. Laura was to
be in Luth. Society. I
hope to hear from Uncle
Frank through her. He
suffers very much. No
news from Charles since
he left Denver. The
Advance ^{business} papers were
all changed - the transfer
made & the money ^{I note} paid Saturday. I may
correspond occasionally
but my official commu-
nication, pay &c. cease today.
I suppose Mr. Gilman
sent you the Portland
Dividend direct as I
asked him to do. David
will be home next week.
I think our house from
being empty will be
full. I am sorry you

I covered the drain that
you may remember
and put a high lattice
work fence of lattice ac-
cross the foot of the
Garden. While some un-
right things beyond - I
put ^{both} the current bushes
from the wall & set
them in the center in
two rows & put up new
trellises for the grapes. I
have pole & low beans. lettuce
radishes, beets, sage. cucum-
bers &c growing well. Frank
Howard is at the head of
his school looking one - Daniel
is doing very fairly & keeps
in mathematics in
which he stands high -
We hope to enjoy our
4th year quietly together. Helen

may have to go back
any day - hardly dared
come away - her son
father is so low.

Mr Arthur Day spoke
gratefully of your
present & your note
to them.

They go back to Birmingham
today. Mr & Mrs Foster
went to N.Y. Sat. &
will sail July 31
in the Britannia.

If you were a little
younger I would ask
you to take me to
Europe with you!

Yr aff Son

Reverend

237 7/3/1882

From: Rowland [B.
Howard]

To: Dear Mother [Eliza
Gilmore]

RBH-195

Boston

Source: Bowdoin

Boston July 3, 1882

Dear Mother

I was so completely exhausted after yesterdays services - communion and all - that I fear I will not be able to carry through my two Church programs. I seemed to be weak, numb & dizzy after I was thro. I hope to see Helen & the children today. She is so very good & kind to rub me & not find fault when I am nervously exhausted even if I have not preached very well, that I have missed her these ten weeks very much.

I called on Arthur & wife at Revere House today. She is very pleasant & will be a great addition to your Glencoe circle. They will not go west for a week. Mr & Mrs Day are to be at home for next Sab. I hear. I could not go to the wedding [see Note], no time, no money, no clothes! My black ones are very shabby. I hope for a new suit next fall. Three joined the church yesterday (ladies).

I could not understand from your letter, whether you owe Charles or Charles owes you a note for \$1400.

I lunched with Frank Gilman at the Bank. I suppose my Frank may come with his Mother. Laura was to be in Leeds Friday. I hope to hear from Uncle Frank [Benjamin Franklin Howard] through her. He suffers very much. No news from Charles since he left Denver.

The Advance business papers were all exchanged - the transfer made & the money & notes paid Saturday. I may correspond occasionally but my official connection, pay &c cease today.

I suppose Mr Gilman sent you the Portland Dividend direct as I asked him to do. David will be home next week I think & our house from being empty will be full. I am sorry you cannot come.

I never took so much interest in any home as at Rockport, but may have to leave it any time. It is not rented but a parsonage & I feel that my improvements will help some poor minister who may follow me. I had that chamber set in the spare room painted & two lounges recovered this Spring. Mrs Pattens every day chamber set is in Helens room & her parlor set (green plush, somewhat worn & covered with cotton) in the sitting room. I have worked in the garden more than usual and it looks quite well. I covered the drain that you may remember and put a high lattice work fence of laths across the foot of the garden to hide some unsightly things beyond. I took the current bushes from the wall & set them in the center in two rows & put up new trellises for the grapes. I have pole & low beans, lettuce, radishes, beets, sage, cucumbers &c growing well.

Frank Howard is at the head of his school lacking one. David is doing, only fairly except in Mathematics in which he stands high. We hope to enjoy our 4th quietly together. Helen may have to go back any day - hardly dared come away - her poor father is so low.

Mrs Arthur Day spoke gratefully of your present & your note to them. They go back to Brimfield today. Mr & Mrs Foster went to N.Y. Sat. & will sail July 5 in the Bothnia.

If you were a little younger I would ask you to take me to Europe with you!

Yr aff Son
Rowland

[Note: Arthur Day was the first cousin of Charles' wife, Katherine Foster Howard. He was married to Sarah Hubbard on 29 June 1882 in Brimfield, Mass.]

Rockport July 4/82
Heelen & children met
me all right at Salem
last evening. They seem
as pleased to get home
after 10 weeks as we
were to have them. Oliver
is out riding in a
boat beating a drum
with a Calcuttumpian
Band & processing
"Horribles". Your
second letter came
last evening. Glad to
hear again of you.
Just Charles continuing
to improve Heelen join-
ing love to you. It
is lovely weather after
a needed & glorious
rain. Rowland

For the first time since I was in the north

The new Tories such in our hearts



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS CAN BE PLACED ON THIS SIDE.

Mrs Eliza Gilman
Glencoe
Conn
Me.

238 7/4/1882

From: Rowland [B.
Howard]

To: Mrs Eliza Gilmore

RBH-196

Rockport

Glencoe

Ills.

Source: Bowdoin

Cook Co.

Rockport July 4/82

Helen & children met me all right at Salem last evening. They seem as pleased to get home after 10 weeks as we are to have them. Otis is out riding in a boat beating a drum with a Calathumpian Band & <practicing> "Horribles."

Your second letter came last evening. Glad to hear again so soon. I trust Charles continues to improve. Helen joins me love to you. It is lovely weather after a needed & copious rain.

Rowland

The new town clock in our steeple struck for the first time this morning.

[ADDRESS SIDE OF POSTCARD]

[Postmark] ROCKPORT MASS JUL 4

Mrs Eliza Gilmore

Glencoe

Ills.

Cook Co.

Rockport July 5/82

Helen's father died
this A.M. & we
go at 5 P.M.

Levie Ella in Port-
land. Helen was
home but his dog.

He left a good nurse.

Whether she returns
with me I will

depend on her

mother's state of
health. We

had a pleasant

4th — All well.

Rumland



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS CAN BE PLACED ON THIS SIDE.

Mrs Eliza Gilman
Glencoe
Cahoon Mass.

239 7/5/1882

From: Rowland [B.
Howard]

To: Mrs Eliza Gilmore

RBH-197

Rockport

Glencoe
Ills.
Cook Co.

Source: Bowdoin

Rockport July 5/82

Helens father died this A.M. & we go at 5 P.M. Leave Ella in Portland. Helen was home but two days. She left a good nurse. Whether she returns with me Sat will depend on her mothers state of health.

We had a pleasant 4th. All well.

Rowland

[ADDRESS SIDE OF POSTCARD]
[Postmark] ROCKPORT MASS JUL 5
Mrs Eliza Gilmore
Glencoe
Ills.
Cook Co.

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Rockport Aug 12

Boston,

1882

Dear Mother

My letter of Aug 12
with which
something
by object
denies
Frank
College
was 8.4
in 2 scale
off 10-
He is
now
Hingham
ring Charles note of
the matter please.
Helen & I reached
Hingham Aug 6, attend
ed at graves funeral the
7. & returned home Sat
night - 8th leaving Ella
for a visit in Portland.
The spirit came yester-
day & will commence
hearing recitations of
a few scholars
Sunday. Frank will
come with Ella by obj.
I had an attack

Laura is with Uncle Frank - He is more comfortable -

of Summer hantle yesterday. the protest in Boston of the Season. but am better today. My Doctors Class has an out-of-door meeting in our yard at 6-30. Helen is well but tired out. Alice is still at work in Printing Office but has worked 25 days at 1st a day & bought a suit at 20th.

Charles wrote me from Rheingrue. He will have to put up with his slight by rest & make the best of it - I am afraid I will have to wait a long time for my ^{last} months pay. All well - Helen joins in love in heart. Attd. - Edmund.

240 7/12/1882 *From:* Rowland [B.
Howard]

To: Dear Mother [Eliza
Gilmore]

RBH-198

Rockport

Source: Bowdoin

[LETTERHEAD]

Eastern Office of the Advance
No. 6 Congl. House Boston.
Rev. R. B. Howard
Eastern Editor

Rockport July 12 1882

Dear Mother

Your letter explaining Charles note made the matter plain.

Helen & I Rowlie went to Farmington July 6, attended Mr Graves funeral the 7 & returned home Sat. night, 8th, leaving Ella for a visit in Portland. David came yesterday & will commence hearing recitations of a few scholars Monday. Frank will come with Ella by & by.

I had an attack of Summer trouble yesterday, the hottest in Boston of the Season, but am better today. My Pastors Class has an out-of-door meeting in our yard at 6.30. Helen is well but tired out. Otis is still at work in Printing Office here - has worked 25 days at 1\$ a day & bought a suit at 20\$.

Charles wrote me from Albuquerque. He will have to put up with his slight by West & make the best of it. I am afraid I will have to wait a long time for my last months pay.

All well. Helen joins in love. In haste

Affy
Rowland

They pay me 5\$ a Sab. at Pigeon Cove & the Miss. Society will add something by & bye. David's rank at College was 8.4 in a scale of 10. He's now a Sophomore. Laura is with Uncle Frank. He is more comfortable.

Rockport July 21/82
I see by the paper that
Mr. ^{Ames} Childs died Wed.
Wednesday is to be buried
Sat. I can go & get
back Sat. at 11. Tell
which is for prepara-
tion for three sermons
on Sat. I shall go be-
cause I think you
would like to have
me represent your
family. We certainly
love her. If no one
she has left behind -
I send notice to her
children all home!
All well. S. S. & Nic
Yesterday. Helen joins
me in love -
Portland.



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Mr Eliza Gilman
Glencoe
Cook Co Ill.

241 7/21/1882 *From:* Rowland [B.
Howard]

RBH-199

Source: Bowdoin

Rockport

To: Mrs Eliza Gilmore

Glencoe
Cook Co
Ill.

Rockport July 21/82

I see by the paper that Mrs. Ames died Wednesday & is to be buried Sat [See Note]. I can go & get back Sat at 11 P.M. which is poor preparation for three sermons on Sab. I shall go because I think you would like to have me represent our family. We had reason to love her. Certainly if no one she has left behind. I send notice to Advance.

Children all home! All well. S.S. Pic Nic yesterday. Helen joins me in love.

Rowland

[ADDRESS SIDE OF POSTCARD]
[Postmark] ROCKPORT MASS JUL 21
Mrs Eliza Gilmore
Glencoe
Cook Co
Ills.

[Note: Mrs. Eveline (Gilmore) Ames died July 20, 1882 in Easton, Mass. She was the sister of Eliza Gilmore's husband, Col John Gilmore, and the widow of Congressman Oakes Ames. This date is from the Easton, Massachusetts record of deaths. This was a Thursday, but Rowland gives Wednesday as her day of death.]