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W. Lawrence, Monday Evening

April 25, '42

What:- Since writing you on Saturday nothing interesting has occur'd. I had a long chat yesterday with H. Jacques upon the subject of the grand conspiracy, and the developments made by him go to show the base and crooked disposition of the man who now heads our nation. He instigated Gray Eyes & Bigtree to the course they took in the affair, and in addition to this, furnished them with the secrets of the Council, how each chief stood affected with reference to this question and furnished them with such arguments, as he supposed would be most effectual with the "British clout" fellows:- Gray Eyes came more betraying Frank in the discussion. I now deeply regret that I did not put the question that I intended, before I went to the Council House, to Gray Eyes and Bigtree, as I am satisfied the response would have nailed Frank to the wall by exposing his contemptible duplicity.

Mr. Lewis is of here on a visit and reports that Miss Emma Gray is given up by all, and must die in a short time. — — — Witham Clark and family arrived yesterday (Sunday) from Canada, westward bound, and he reports that several others will follow shortly.

All well. I saw Lucy and the children at meeting yesterday and they are well.

The River Run claims have not come in yet and the claimant is getting impatient and restless, and talks about going home. He is much vexed about hearing nothing from the treaty, and indeed, no marvel.

H. Jacques and

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We Armstrong were to send a letter to Tom & me by
this mail but it is now getting late and they are not
here yet, but it is doubtless owing to a violent
thunder storm that has just past, leaves no doubt
by the storm King, Expy of your City.

Keep us a Bulletin every day and let us know what
way the "lead boys" as the sailors would say

Yours truly
W. W.

John J. M. A.

Messrs J. Walter & Co. Merchants

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Sunday morning July 10, '62

Dear J

Since my last, nothing has transpired worthy of record, except the recapture of Ellsworth, confined last winter in the Wood County Jail on a charge of counterfeiting, stealing clutera, who broke Jail. He was arrested as a participant criminius in the murder of Sammendarot & party and brot to trial before a Justice Court in Napoleon and Anderson, turning States evidence by consent of parties, was the only impatient witness. The cold blooded atrocity in the murder disclosed by the witness ore enough to chill the blood of a Hyman. In default of bail the Defendant was fully committted. I annex an extract of a letter from Mr Leonard P. M., at Napoleon:

"We have had a Court of investigation for three days before Justice Powell in regard to the murder of Sammendarot & Thompson. Anderson was released from the indictment against him - he made oath, a warrant was issued against John Ellsworth, and brot before Justice Powell. Witness testified that defendant advised him and Lyons to kill these Indians, that it was no more harm to kill an Indian than his dog - it was the only way to get what the Indians had - Defendant advised them how to proceed, saying, that if he, (Def^t) left home it would be known. Witness stated that accordingly he and Lyons went in pursuit of the Wyandotts, found them and Lyons killed Sammendarot & Nancy and he dispatched Cowanah. Ellsworth met them

and they decided on sending me to about 500, of
"fourth Summer" of "Elleworth is
"Committed to our Side."
In addition to this, I recd. recd a long letter from Peter
Chapin, who, with Mr. Branch, attended the trial,
giving a more minute and detailed statement of the
particulars disclosed by the witness.

I have received a letter from John dated N. Y. June
20. He says he is well, and that they will on or about
the 5th of July put to sea in their "Crack Ship,"
as he terms her. They will proceed to Madeira, then
to the Coast of Brazil, to remain there about a year;
thence to the Cape of Good Hope, thence to St Helena,
and the remainder of the cruise on the Mediterranean.
He says all letters addressed to him, "at sea," find
the "Naval Lyceum, Brooklyn Navy Yard," will surely
reach him. So if you wish to write to him, get
some number of Congress to please.

Not a word can we hear from Burr, and we are busy
in a bad way about his family, and what to do with
them we do not know - they are utterly destitute and we
are now compelled almost to support them.

His wife, becoming impatient and knowing nothing about his
whereabouts, - has entertained the worst fears as to his fidelity
to his family, and of his return to them, and has concluded to
forward copies of "The Information wanted," and you can make
your selection of the two; and after having done, let the
publication appear in the "Nat. Int." Some appeared before
N^o 1 and some N^o 2, as you will perceive they are now

here. The Independent, would perhaps rejoice to get
a hold of it - and doubtless would, but, consult
your own judgment in the matter. (You are as expert
as ^{with} Burr's pecuniary circumstances, and his respect-
ability as an ^{as} - you can vouch for all that is
asserted in "The Information wanted," and urge its inter-
tion in the "Nat. Int." the Liberator & Family Organ.
The whole matter is committed to your sound discre-
tion - Consult your good and substantial friends,
if you want to consult at all -
The Ind. Vols has procured a great deal of
news in this -

Tomorrow we shall commence our harvest in our
neighborhood - my field is the premature wheat
crop for the Adams (Pomeroy) - I write in great
haste as I expect the stage inquiry on Monday -
I had not to attend to the P. O. Dept. in the forenoon
and found it is 1/2 p.m. some 200 sent.

Wrote of the -

Yours truly -

P. S.

Nothing more has been elicited about G. H.
and my letter.

W.

W. W.

P.S. I have not time - to add any more

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Dear Sir-

We send you a warrant or Draft upon the Treasury Dept, which, we hope, will be duly honored.

We authorized you to remain in Washington till the treaty is ratified: not only till it is ratified but till House of Rep has made the necessary appropriation.

It is the wish of the Council that you earnestly urge the early action of the House upon this matter.

We also wish you to invoke the aid and cooperation of the Ohio Religion.

We deeply regret to hear that your health is not good, but ardently hope that you may be speedily restored to its enjoyment again.

By order of the Council

Wm Walker Secy
Pro tem

J. A. A.

Write frequently.

J. A. A.

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We are all well, except Daniel
White and has a most attack of the
pleurisy, but is getting better.

You cannot imagine the joy, with which
the intelligence contained in your letter, was
hailed by our folks;

In great haste

Yours truly

Wm. W. Phelps

W. Saunders & Co
July 20th
Frederick
Md

Dear Mr. W. L. G.

Washington D.C.



W. S. July 28 '42

Dear J.

Your last letter, 21st, has been read and we are truly happy to learn that you are becoming "a promising Convert". The intelligence is truly gratifying to your friends generally — but, Oh! the information about the opposition from the Southern Senators tells that, what a damper!! You cannot imagine the gloom it has created amongst us — it has made some elongated faces, squalling almost I. S. O.'s Mule.

The Locom at Effingham predict that the treaty will, on its final — or third reading, be rejected, and they are chuckling quite merrily over what they call a defeat of the Byrondell Whig treaty.

We hope and pray that this anticipated "defeat" may never be realized, — Even those who have, heretofore, been opposed to the treaty are truly desirous now that the matter might be closed and they relieved from this state of suspense — let the result be for "wheat or wood" —

The former that be, may rest assured that if the treaty is rejected, they need never send another Comm. to the Byrondell, for the purpose of making a treaty of cession and removal — for they will disdain to even to treat him with the common courtesies due to an officer of the general government (as such). —

indeed I have not felt free to write upon this subject. I feel indignant at the nullity and wavering - nay more, the inconsistent course of the Govt. I especially cower the "poor Indian" is concerned." We have never asked any form of the Govt, but they have of us, and saying that the Govt have occasion to become the difficult at some future period -

We are all well - Deacon Wheeler is going after the boys at Gambier, he having some official errands to that place - and going in his Buggy, can bring the two "Ox-nicks" home at the same time - and you know ^{he} will do at all times, any thing for his friends that he can.

I want you to pay Sales & Boston
for the Widow, at at Ent.
I must hard stop, as Mr. Burr has been sent
Ophelia, in to request me to write to his
Brother in law, via Pancon's Ferry, to come
with a Two Horse Wagon in order to enable
the Family to move away having given up
all hope of his return. They (the family)
are anxious to leave and go to their friend
Mother seems to be somewhat relieved by
finding that your health is improving.

I have no time now to make any suggestions, except that you ought to throw

a formal communication to the Chief, respecting
what you have done - Your last letter was
so mingled with other matters that it could
not be read in Council - I shall get some party
they stage is coming and I must close
I am ever so much hindered - Yours in
great haste

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12-1-81
Washington D.C.
July 28th 1881
Dear Mr. Walker

Joe Walker Esq
Washington D.C.

Aug 1. (Tue 1 o'clock)

Dear A.

Your letter dated 25th ultimo, I recd, informing us that matters still stood "in statu quo" and your acknowledgement of the receipt of the Chief's draft for the wherewithal to subsist upon.

How tormenting it is to be held in this state of suspense! When the mail from the South comes, there is a general rush to learn the news from you as to the fate of the treaty, "for then on hang all the law and the prophet," and we all might uniteably exclaim in the language of a pious poet:—

"Who shall resolve the doubt

That tears my anxious mind?"

You cannot imagine the extent of the excitement that prevails in the nation and indeed I might say with safety that prevails out of the nation, amongst the surrounding gougers. The Locofocos, that have no personal interest in the matter and praying most devoutly for the rejection of the treaty.

We have no interesting news in our vicinity or neighborhood. On Saturday last we buried M. Prossell's youngest child—died of the whooping cough—John Hawk has sold out his estate in Crawfordville for \$1000,00. The pa
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you sent me word that you were sent to Mother
and she has been pursuing them very attentively.
On Saturday evening we had one of the most
violent thunder storms, accompanied with
rain, I have witnessed in this or any other
country, not even excepting a part of Kentucky
it thoroughly drenched the wheat and hay
in cocks and left them in a bad fix. It
lasted thro' the whole night, with awful and
deafening peals of thunder - it seemed as tho
creation was convulsed with spasmodic fits.

The Bryant and youth which committed the
Raid upon Messrs. Hunt and Kissel's shop
were sentenced and sent for three years to the
pen. We are all well - nothing from the vegetable
Brew. The family are still here -

Yours truly
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J. W. E. }
Washington }

U. S. Land and Survey
Aug. 1st
Geo. Wm. Walker, Esq.

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Upper Louisiana, or rather
the "Wyandott Ohio House"

Aug 11th '42

Dear S.

Fearing that I may not have time to write after the adjournment of ^{our} "Harriet Bond" dinner, and the long mail day, I have concluded to avail myself of a few leisure moments, while the two Dads are calling, to address you a few lines, acknowledging the receipt of your letter, one to myself, and the other to J. M. A.

The information your communication has, raised our drooping spirits, but this order was much dampened by your prognostication of the uncertainty of the House of Reps making the necessary appropriation to carry it into immediate effect.

It appears to us that this is a necessity for you remaining till the whole is consummated; and if there is the remotest prospect of getting the appropriation passed then we conjure you to "hang on", unless you think your health will be jeopardized. We regard it as vastly important to have the appropriation passed before the adjournment, as much, at least as will fill the treaty stipulations;— such as the increased annuities, the payment of the debt of the nation, and the various small sums stipulated to individuals, and as to the expenses attending ^{of the treaty} the execution, they might be postponed till the ensuing session, as the expenses attendant there on cannot now be known. Use the same vigilance in procuring influential friends to the support of the appropriation bill— more particularly, bring all your friends to exert their influence upon the Committee of Ind. Affairs in the Lower House, to report favorably and that early. I suppose, however, that

The Committee of Ways and Means will have to report
the bill making the appropriation. You might raise
funds enough to bring that Committee to endorse
a bill to be reported into the House.

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Saturday
Aug 14, '42

Dear J. -

I have just time to say that Henry is very sick - His attack is a bilious Remittent Fever, and at times delirious - I have sent out after Dr. Sampson this afternoon -

Mr. Bear has returned and is making preparation to remove his family. I know not where - Yesterday morning, he presented himself at the Store door with his usual impudence and I met him at the door, and told him if he attempted to enter, I would kick the ding out of him - He replied by saying I had no control over the house - I then sent for J. W. and I appealed to him - he in order to have some spat would not answer. However, finding himself an unwelcome guest concluded it best to shut off at once, however, till I convicted him of a base falsehood about his pay - I read your letter to him, and then denounced him as a liar and a vagabond. He took it coolly and patiently.

Last evening we got thro' our stitching. On Monday they commenced at Mr. W's. jail. We are all well, except Henry. Our

Received of
Mr. Wm. W. W. W. W.
Aug 14th

Dr. Wm. W. W. W.

Washington D.C.

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Sunday Jan 22, '43

Dear J. Since you left nothing strange has occurred in our quiet territory, except that the Garrison portion of the Bear tribe was thrown into paroxysms by the discovery that you had suddenly set out for Upper Missouri for the purpose of securing the three military sections to our family. They traced their suspicions to John Walker. He told them he "thought it altogether likely"; and avowed that he had heard the subject mentioned, and it had been talked about among us—(This, of course, was conclusive!!) Strange how jealousy will be its own punisher! Their imagination is racked with all manner of suspicions of plots, counterplots, and conspiracies—They are welcome to the enjoyment of the society and comforts they can derive therefrom.

Last evening St. Jacques bro't a letter from the Post Office for me to translate, written from Canada and signed by "Geo. Simonds, Pres. Chief "Peter Gault and Harry Hunter, Chiefs," addressed to the Wyandotte Chief, having announcing their "determination not to remove from under the protection of Her Majesty's Govt, when they are now happy and contented" &c.

I learned yesterday from Gen. P.B. for the first time that Col. P.W.C. has flattered himself that he would have the removal of the Wyandotte west and then remain as the permanent Agent, and, as he might choose, and this is still his calculation, but as yet, I do not think he has been apprised of the course taken by the Council.

No more. No other news going
My great love

W. Walker
Washington

W. W.

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Chas Walker, Esq.

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Tuesday Jan. 24th. Cory Gray Coys are just returned with the remains of the
massacre and deposited them in the church ^{to be buried} formally on tomorrow. In this
first place, it was intended to bring S's remains only, but it was afterwards concluded
as that the additional trouble and expense would be but trifling, - so they were all
brought in. Little Nancy's remains delivered up to me and to be buried by our bishop, and
her husband to be buried by the clergy at the public expense.

His report, the bones to be in a good state of preservation. Jack's body has under-
gone some decay in the region of the Chest.

From all that I can learn it appears to be the intention of those from Canada to
withdraw from the main body of the nation, at ^{once} they receive the pay for their improp-
riety and return immediately to Canada. Among these are, Mr. Maudslayi,
Lieut. Brown, Beardslee from Mr. Beardslee, Collier and others, and perhaps Adams,
who he positively denies it. ^{But} it appears, is left a profound secret - that the
arrangement was made by ^{him} ^{himself} when he was out here last summer.

Adam informed me of this last evening, tho' he did not designate individuals
by name. He declares to me that he knew such to be the intentions of many, &
admits that it would be better that this money should be paid ^{well}. I suggested
him to call some evening after Candle-light, as I should like to have some con-
versation with him upon that and other matters - which he agreed to do.

I am the more convinced that unless the War Gt pays this money ^{well} &
the Council will have trouble that is incalculable, before this nation can be got
under way from this debt creating spot, - for just as soon as it is understood
that this money is to be paid here, our people ^{will} be credited to any extent, and they
will be plunged head long into debt, notwithstanding Col. P. M. E.'s manifesto to
the contrary. I am to tell, at the last Council it was resolved that we should
plant this coming summer!! I am fearful that from present appearances
there will be much trouble, and should that trouble come, I am resolved

that I ^{will} have no business with it but they must work out of it as best they can.

And yet, should the Dept refuse to pay at this place, you will be subjected to Ostracism, as you will be blamed for an interference in the matter they pithorned for. We must get somebody backed in the opposition whom we can make a Staple goat of "The Patriarch of Ins Office," for instance. I have no doubt but upon a representation of the facts, he would, without any hesitation, advise the Dept upon the subject.

Saturday 28th. I have been interrupted in my letter by being subpoenaed as a witness in a suit between John Walker and Adam Brown at Littleton Ark. On our way going up Col. P. M. C. went on to administer some ^{C.B.S.} wholesome advice to John as to the course he should pursue in opposing his "betrayment," as the Yankee would say. He assigned as one reason that he was thoroughly satisfied they were worth not a cent more than say thousand, and another reason was, he had become rich, and another reason was, that he was paid paying less or than hundred dollars taxes by living upon the revenues and other various good and substantiated reasons why Tharoch should be dealt with differently. This morning he asked John what this affrontment amounted to, but John refused, M. C. insisted upon knowing, saying that he wanted to write to you, but he still refused, which made him feel somewhat "biled" and turns upon his head and feet. The truth is, he wants to kick up a booby at the War Dept on this very matter. His best on doing mischief. Instead of writing to you he intends, writing to ^{what} (confermand) upon this very subject, if he can find out the affrontment was, but this he can't get. What can he have against Tharoch? He is corresponding with

with the Patriarch of Ind. Affs, getting his views upon this and various
other topics - to aid him in the discharge of his official functions
in which he seems to manifest something of a new born zeal
The Affairs will get this most well - We are now enjoying
a most glorious snow storm.

We are all well, no interesting news going.

I have just learned that the Pres has appointed a delegation
to go west in a name of the nation to make the selection of land
and do sundry other things viz - James Washington, Dr Grayson,
G. S. Clark and perhaps one or two others whose names I have
not learned, and as it is now getting late I have not time
to get all the particulars in time for this mail.

Yours

W. W.

Dear Walter Esq,

Care of
Hon. G. Schumey-

Washington
D.C.



West Jersey "on de Kair"
March 31. '44

Dear J.

As I Purke leave tomorrow for Washing-
ton, I have concluded to avail myself of the oppor-
tunity of writing by him, giving you what little news
we have in the neighborhood. In the first place,
then, we are all well, and it is a general time of
health in the nation; and I never did see amongst
the Wyandots such a spirit of industry manifes-
ted as is now exhibited across the River.

On last Thursday the Chiefs assembled the nation
at the Store and submitted the Shawnee propo-
sition to the people and a vote was taken and
it stood 74 Negative and 1 affirmative!!!
Sagoyewass in the affirmative. On yesterday
(Saturday) at the earnest solicitation of the Chiefs
I accompanied them to the Agency to make their re-
port to the Shawnees. After an opening speech
by H. J. interpreted into English by me to Henry
Tiblow from thence into Shawnee, F. A. H. then
rose and entered into the business part of the
meeting which he did with considerable ability.
I was then directed to read the conditional agree-
ment entered into at Upper Sandusky to satisfy the
other Chiefs that it was only conditional and not
positive and binding, and wound up with a most

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conciliatory and friendly which expressing in a very earnest manner the hope that tho' they had not made the progress they expected, yet he hopes the same friendly feeling that has heretofore existed between them would remain undisturbed but on the contrary be brightened and cultivated. After a few moments consultation, Black Hoof rose and responded in an animated speech warmly reciprocating our good wishes and closed the Council by heartily shaking hands with each other and adjourned.

I had fixed upon last Friday to raise my new domicile, had a most choice set of hands invited, and every thing in readiness, but it turned out to be one of the most stormy days we have witnessed since we have been in the country. I had now fixed on Monday and up it must go storm or no storm - as I am extremely anxious to move over soon.

Major Phillips has left Westport and is now boarding with J.M.A. He has learned his crest about 50 degrees - and seems now to talk like a man of common sense. Upon the subject of our Charter I suppose Siler has given all the information - then amendments &c. We must have another "kitch" at them on the subject. - Tuesdaydays 2nd Caught

died a few days ago, and Betty Washington's wife will follow in a few more days with the Consumption.

What is the prospect of the improvement of propagation bills passing? - and are shaking in our hitches with fear. We are truly anxious to keep from eyes upon this subject. A reappraisal must with carry in its train a complete conglomeration of evils the extent of which will be beyond calculation. We do hope the good sense of the Senate & House will sweep all this so palpable and heinous ^{and} outrage to be committed.

We have rec'd 18 of your pledges and in ten or three days they all drop - the remaining 25 or say 26 behind - out of that lot I must have one.

I am very truly
yours &c

W. W. L. K. D

An Indian too, killed at Fort Lawrence last week by the sentinel guarding the General's stable. It took place in the night. (The) object of the Indian was evidently to steal a horse. It is not, as yet, known to what nation he belonged.

W.W.L.

Paul W. Wood, Esq.
Care
City of New York. Washington D.C.

Kansas Landing Aug 17

Dear Sir-

Your letter from N.Y. to S. Armstrong was received at Westport about a week ago. We were both in the office at the same time and had the satisfaction of perusing it after he read it.

Mr Roby who returned from N.Y. a few days ago told me that on landing at St Louis he called on the Supt of Ind Affairs, who informed him that in a few days he would set out for Council Bluffs to pay off the Pottawatomies their annuity amounting to \$40,000. He advised me to write you at Cincinnati or St Louis to hurry on, so as to be able to attend that payment.

We are really apprehensive that you must have encountered many vexatious delays in coming the route indicated in your letter, owing to the low state of the water in the Ohio, between Pittsburgh and Wheeling. I have not been able to make out a Catalogue of Drugs for the want of a General Catalogue; but by the time you receive this you will be furnished with one. It is important that we should have a good stock, embracing a general assortment, as medicines are deplorably scarce in this region and it is likely Westport is going to be full of goods, and the traders in this region view our Joint Stock Co. as a formidable competitor. Siles Armstrong has procured a very

Stonewall, and ~~and~~ Cat Chick. It is not in
a slight situation and could walk but still
it will answer very well for the present.

We landed here on the 2nd of this month after a
voyage of ten days from Cincinnati. One died on
board the Boat, Sayre, and three on land.
Laws, then moved here and James Blue just
died. Our people are encamped on the bottom above the
mouth of the Kansas River and a bad place, I think,
as it is a sickly flat, and they are quite sickly, es-
pecially the children.

Chas. Russell and Matthew are living together in one
house in Westport, as thick as flies in a hick-
naming 16 in family!! I resolved I would
not go into "Tabor", but succeeded in renting a
part of a double log Cabin of a Virginian 1/2
of a mile from the Landing and 5 miles from
Westport. We are comfortably situated when
compared to the situation of others. My land
lord's name is Smart and quite a clever
family. When you land come right up.
We are upon the highlands and in the most healthy
part, and are enjoying excellent health.

Our ship, I fear, have been too prodigal with
their money, much has been paid out injudiciously
and unnecessarily. The ship are always surrounded
by a lot of doctors and leeches who and honestly

drinking at the public cost. Such as Ed. Brown, -
F. Allen, Allen Brown and others and ^{and} Dickson was appoin-
ted a Disbursing officer!! By this you may judge
of the responsible character of the Disbursing officers -
I have no complaint to make against any of those
appointed at home except C. B. D. - against him
there are serious complaints.
You will perceive that I have made but a
meagre bill of sundries, but I think it
will do for the present.

In haste yours
W. W. Walker

Luc Walker Esq
Saint Louis Mo

West. Irving Jan'y Monay 6. '45

Dear J.

I set down to sleep upon a few lines giving you a brief summary of the current news. Owing to my continued indisposition I have not been able to attend for the last two weeks to the Store, this Charley attends to it steadily, — there not being much trade just now I guess he and Lewis get along well enough.

I have been confined to my bed for two full weeks with aches, boils, carbuncles, scabs, itch, scratches, Lepa vulgaris &c. I really thought I should naturally rot to death and crumble to pieces; I am now gradually recovering — my bones are drying up, but the ancient Sob! I have an horrible sore Caricad. My right hand even now is bandaged up with plaster of Paris, so that I can hardly hold my pen.

This is the day fixed upon between the Chiefs and Major Harey for Major Phillips trial. They sat today in Westport and tomorrow over here, and all the by and by city and vicinity has gone over. I deeply regret the necessity that compels one to be an exception. I have tried to train our Chiefs in their courts in the prosecution, but it is out their power for them.

Major Phillips, seems not to have realized that he was amenable to a higher power for his conduct till Harey notified him, in person, of the investigation. He seems then to wake up as out of a long dream, and a coincident some considerable alarm, stift his grog, and tries to nerve up and look fierce, but the sudden absence of his accustomed stimulus, renders him nearly an idiot; but I hope he will not suffer long for the want of his stimulus. All who have seen him, say he truly looks worse begoned and Chaffee like. — — I have got my chimney up and one end of the house finished, so that we are now in comfortable quarters. I will keep my letter open to the

The investigation is closed, it is reported by the newspapers, in view that I
may have a chance to get a copy of the particular amusing incident.
I think I shall be able to do so tomorrow. Tuesday morning I put it to
myself from our chiefs. I suppose they did not get this last night in
the examination of witnesses, and if they did get this, it was so late
that they were compelled to stay all night. I am afraid the Chief
will not excuse Phillips here, unless he is willing to say many or fashion
and of this kind. I started out over our news from Westport.
They must have found the investigation most tedious and tedious than they anticipated.
Thursday morning. On yesterday morning the investigation
was renewed by the examination of the following witnesses, viz:—
Lawrence White, Chas. Graham, Francis Cotton, Dr. Woodcock, Jacob Young
and some others. We proved all that we expected to and a great deal
more than I supposed we could. We found conclusively that owing to it
being generally known that Phillips resided in Westport, there was an
increasing traffic in animal spirits, by its actual introduction into our
country from across the Missouri River, and that they had become so
widespread that the traffic is a matter even of hourly occurrence.
We proved his inveterate hostility to the nation, and he was found to prove
that he has known for feeling so, but failed completely to show any country,
fanciful obstructions or further attempts of showing James of complaint against
the Chief. We proved by C. Graham, great misadministration in regard to the
trial of the facts. But it came on Chief, came not from, during the in-
vestigation in Westport, that the Maya was at any time drunk, owing to the general
definition of the term drunk, which he gave while undergoing a cross-examina-
tion. He said a man cannot be called drunk unless he has to lie on
his back, but Maya told said that at times he saw Phillips has then snored
at morning. Phillips was, what he would call, Southwestern morning.
We proved he repeated threat of sending to La Paz, in about 1849, and

was like running a hot steel this he felt, he winces, shivers and squirms - under it much being gratification. The report of the proceedings in the investigation that will be furnished to the War Dept. by Major Harvey will place Phillips, in a most disadvantageous attitude. If they are not sufficient to remove him from office, then it is of no use to hope change, in a quiet man, however great and outrageous his conduct may be. During the progress of the investigation, as has happened of Col Bond to Agent for the Petrovich case, accompanied by Peter Fogel.

Before Major Harvey left, he asked Phillips, how over the \$500, is appearing to be for provisions at the Community payment. (The man rather a society of affairs to him).

As soon as you can get your hands upon a copy of Agassiz's
Reptile, send it to me forthwith.

My family do not seem to regain their health as fast
as I could wish. Hannah has the liver complaint and
her gut, has an enlargement of the spleen. (And the nature
I believe it is, a general tetter of her liver.)
Major Phelps, tells that if he got these things, he would think the
coming down into remove him, and he would to remove off the year just
to demolish the Hyacinths, - but one rather spine he will share a long time
to demolish after. Henry's report reaches the West-Point. Already we
have a most formidable candidate to succeed him, in the person of Major
W. W. W. who is busily engaged in getting up strong testimonials in his favor.
Your folks are well. Will give the children are well, except they are, like
since some afflictions with the Missouri scratches.

I don't think of anything further that would be interesting to tell of you in the way of news, and having got to the foot of my street, I must close for this time. I am very truly, Dear Mother, yours respectfully,
Elizabeth

I am very truly, kindest regards, yours respectfully,
Walter Cox

I stop the press to announce to you the extraordinary intelligence
that Major D. did, at the house of J. M. A. in the presence of Col
Bonds and Major Harvey, sign the Treaty, he and pledged.
This forcibly reminds me of a couplet of old English Poetry
which readeth on this wise:—

"When the devil was sick the devil a priest would be,
But when the devil got well, the devil the priest was he." 23

Edw. Walker, Esq.

Washington D.C.

Dear J.

West Jersey Jan 21. 1845

Circumstances have arisen since my last which has caused this communication right upon the heels of the other. Major Phillips, constantly intent on mischief, has so far wrought upon the fears of that Ninkumpoop, Doc Foster, as to induce him to believe that the national balances due on their books for medical services in the nation, are in extreme jeopardy, and that his only chance is to forward his A^cts to H. Johnson and have the amount ~~deducted~~ deducted out the nation's funds at Washington. He has made out an Abstract of the balances due, amounting to some \$220.00, and is accompanied by a long Affidavit from Phillips himself. It is his intention to forward them to D^r Harlan at Martinsburgh Va; - alarm him by stating what Phillips' opinion is about the probability of their losing these balances, and urging him to proceed to Washington forthwith.

Now, we do not wish such papers to be placed in the hands of the Devil incarnate, to be exhibited there, creating a belief in Congress that the nation is a pack of rillians. No doubt Phillips' statement, tho' under oath, is a complete life and of false words. The fact, of these steps being taken as stated above, and undeniable, for C. B. C. put the questions direct to Foster and he admitted them and made a full disclosure of all the movements contemplated in this matter.

Enclosed you have a letter from us to D^r Harlan which you will forward, then send it, and if he does come on to Washington, hand it to him, and you being apprised of his

business can be done with him not understand-
ingly with him in the same way. Warn him of the conse-
quences of such a ~~policy~~ ^{policy} interest practice in the
nation, as far as he is any here.

No longer need to enter any state as when I
last wrote. Also sending some address to you from
A. L. O'Connell, D. W. O'Connell, for others, and the others
from Ralph Clark & Co. for others.

Truly yours,
Wm. W. W. W.

J. W. W. W. Co.
Washington D. C.

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Carl Walker, Esq.

~~City of Washington~~

~~House of Representatives~~

no
for mistake!

Washington D.C.

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Dec 10th 1846

Dear Uncle

You have undoubtedly
concluded before this, that I am most confounded
negligent and tardy in fulfilling my promise.
But I think before I am through this Epistle
I will convince you that your conclusion is
not Logical, or in other words you have assumed
false premises - Our trip from Kansas to
Saint Louis, was very pleasant and we remained
in St Louis half a day - Our company on board
the "Archer" was very sociable and agreeable -
One of the company was a Mr Spaulding
from Fort Madison on the Mississippi, who was
intimately acquainted with the Whackers in
that section of Country - This Doctor Spaulding
accompanied the Leas and Groves in their removal
as their national Physician - From what little
acquaintance I have with Doctor Spaulding
I think he is a gentleman in every sense of
the word - The Fort Madison Whackers regarded

the doctor to call and see the relation in the
Indian country, had money to the house of the year
he was prevented from sailing - Our journey from
Saint Louis to Cincinnati was not very pleasant
and our company consisted principally of Quakers
and Quakers wives, they were returning from the
Saint Louis Race and were on their way to the
Race at Southland Ky - But there was
one consolation, we had the good luck
to meet Mr. Walker and ^(at Saint Louis) ~~there~~ a fortunate
circumstance, as they afforded us in good deal
of assistance - I had the ague every day
until I got home, and let me assure you
I felt like a dead up circumstantial but
I finally succeeded in conquering my enemy
by drink of a Beal's Head Mixture, called
the India Chelagood, and now I think I am
as good as well in strength of body, but as
to mind I cannot say - I wonder if there has
been a dividend of the money collected by
Joint Stock Company, I wish you would
forward our proportion as soon as possible,
as we can make use of all the funds
we can command - We can lend money

to good and reasonable persons for eight per
cent - But we can only do so if our money
is a better advantage than lending it -
We received a letter from John S. Walker
who is now at the "Masonic School" in Ann Arbor
Mich - After he passes his examination he
will then visit his friends - Martha is still
at our house but I think young Pittenger
will take her off before long, she however
is good as usual, she got a letter from
Uncle William the other day -
With regard to the Worcester note that came in our
hands, I would say that since our return we have
examined our papers and cannot find them, but
I am confident that they have been either lost or
sent elsewhere - John Walker is knowing to the fact
of each note being in our possession - Write home
and let us know how the matter is to be disposed
of - Be sure and forward our proportion of the money
just coming from the Joint Stock Company as soon
as possible, as we want to make use of it in the
spring - Our respects to our friends and relatives.

John Walker Esq

Your affectionate nephew
John W. Garrett

Mr. L. L. L. L. L.

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